Weeping Willow Blues

Bessie Smith

I went down to the river, sat beneath the willow tree

The dew dropped on those willow leaves and it rolled right down on me

And that's the reason I've got those weeping willow bluesI went up on the mountain, high as any girl could stand

And looked down on the mean town that took away my lovin' man

And that's the reason I've got those weepin' willow bluesI heard the whistle blowing, the fireman ring the bell

They're taking away that willow tree that give me this weeping spell

And that's the reason I've got those weeping willow bluesWhen you're broken hearted and your man is out of town

Go to the river, take the chains and sit down And if he don't come back to you, I'll tell you what to do Just jump right overboard, 'cause he ain't no more to you

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