

# The Bird Hunters

## Turnpike Troubadours

The covey took wing  
There were shotguns a-singin'  
A pointing dog down in the old logging road  
Danny got three and looked back grinning  
I fumbled and tried to reload  
The country was cold with the sun westward sinking  
It's good to be back in this place  
With my hands around a Belgian made Browning  
My mind on the lines of her face  
Danny's my buddy  
We grew up like family  
Hunted timber before we could drive  
And the old English Pointer once belonged to me  
But I 'give' him up when i moved in '05  
Off with a girl/Off to the city  
Off on a wing and a chance  
Hell, I thought It's play out just like some story  
We fell in love at a rodeo dance  
She said go back to Cherokee County  
Won't you crawl back with nothing but a razor and a comb  
Babe, If you need me I'll be where you found me  
Go on to hell, honey, I'm headed home  
Dan says, "Look at ol' Jim  
A dozen Decembers behind him no worse for the wear  
And your time spent in Tulsa did not help your shooting  
Just look at the gray in your hair  
How good does it feel?  
You belong in these hills  
It's best that you let it all end  
If you'd have married that girl, you'd have married her family  
You dodged a bullet my friend"  
She said go back to Cherokee County  
Won't you crawl back with nothing but a razor and a comb  
Babe, If you need me I'll be where you found me  
Go on to hell, honey, I'm headed home  
I was beginning to deal with it ending  
The old dog had pointed while part of me died  
And a flutter of feathers  
Then a shotgun to shoulder

I thought of the Fourth of July  
She'll be home on the Fourth of July  
I bet we'll dance on the Fourth of July  
Dan says, "Hell of a shot, looks like you've still got it  
Thats what we came here to do  
It's light enough still, at the foot of the hill  
We could kick up a single or two"  
She said go back to Cherokee County  
Won't you crawl back with nothing but a razor and a comb  
Babe, If you need me I'll be where you found me  
Go on to hell, honey, I'm headed home

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