

Brother Can You Spare a Dime?

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Once I built a railroad, made it run
Made it race against time
Once I built a railroad, now it's done
Brother, can you spare me a dime?
Once I built a tower to the sun
Brick and rivet and lime
Once I built a tower, now it's done
Buddy, can you spare me a dime?
Once in khaki suits, boy, we looked swell
Full of that Yankee-Doodle-dum
Then half a million boots went truckin off to Hell
I was the kid with the drum
Say, don't you remember, you called me "Al"
It was "Al" all the time
Say, don't you remember, I'm your pal
Buddy, can you spare me a dime?
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Buddy, can you spare me a dime?
Oh, buddy, can you spare me a dime?
Yeah, buddy, can you spare me a dime?

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