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(Gary Rossington - Ron Van Zant)

Well, I'll tell you plainly, baby
What I plan to do.
Well, I may be crazy, baby
But I ain't no fool.
Your daddy's rich, mama
And you're overdue.
But I ain't the one, baby
Been messin' with you.
Got bells in your mind, mama
And it's easy to see.
I think it's time for me to move along,
I do believe.

Now you're talkin' jive, woman When you say to me,
Your daddy's gonna take us in
'N take care of me.
You know and I know, baby
I ain't the one.
I never hurt you, sweetheart,
I never pulled my gun.
Got bells in your mind, baby,
So won't you pardon me?
I think it's time for me to move along,
I do believe.







Tuesday's Gone*

(Allen Collins - Ron Van Zant)

Train roll on, on down the line.
Won't you please take me far away?
Now I feel the wind blow outside my door,
Means I'm leaving my woman behind.
Tuesday's gone with the wind.
My woman's gone with the wind.

And I don't know where I'm going, I just want to be left alone. Well, when this train ends I'll try again, But I'm leaving my woman at home.

Chorus

Tuesday's gone with the wind, Tuesday's gone with the wind, Tuesday's gone with the wind, My woman's gone with the wind.

Train roll on many miles from my home, See, I'm riding my blues away. Tuesday, you see, she had to be free, But somehow I've got to carry on. (Chorus)

Gimme Three Steps*

(Allen Collins - Ron Van Zant)

I was cutting the rug
Down at a place called "The Jug"
With a girl named Linda Lu
When in walked a man
With a gun in his hand
And he was looking for
you know who.
He said, "Hey there, fellow,
With the hair colored yellow,
Whatcha tryin' to prove?
'Cause that's my woman there
And I'm a man who cares,
And this might be all for you."

I was scared and fearing for my life,

I was shakin' like a leaf on a tree. 'Cause he was lean, mean, Big and bad, Lord, Pointin' that gun at me. I said, "Wait a minute, mister, I didn't even kiss her, Don't want no trouble with you. And I know you don't owe me But I wish you'd let me Ask one favor from you."

Chorus

"Won't you give me three steps, Gimme three steps, mister, Gimme three steps toward the door? Gimme three steps, Gimme three steps, mister, And you'll never see me no more."

Well, the crowd cleared away
And I began to pray
And the water fell on the floor.
And I'm telling you, son
Well, it ain't no fun
Staring straight down a forty-four.
Well, he turned and screamed at Linda Lu
And that's the break I was lookin' for.
And you could hear me screaming
A mile away
As I was headed out toward the door.
(Chorus)



Simple Man*

(Gary Rossington - Ron Van Zant)

Mama told me when I was young, "Come sit beside me, my only son And listen closely to what I say, And if you do this, It will help you some sunny day. Take your time... don't live too fast, Troubles will come and they will pass. Go find a woman and you'll find love, And don't forget, son, There is someone up above."



"And be a simple kind of man, Be something you love and understand. Be a simple kind of man. Won't you do this for me, son, If you can?"

"Forget your lust for rich man's gold, All that you need is in your soul, And you can do this if you try. All that I want for you, my son, Is to be satisfied."
(Chorus)

Boy, don't you worry... you'll find yourself. Follow your heart and nothing else. And you can do this if you try. All that I want for you, my son, Is to be satisfied."

(Chorus)



Things Goin' On*

(Gary Rossington - Ron Van Zant)

Have you ever lived down in the ghetto?
Have you ever felt the cold wind blow?
If you don't know what I mean.
Won't you stand up and scream?
'Cause there's things goin' on that you don't know.

Too many lives they've spent across the ocean,
Too much money been spent upon the moon,
Well, until they make it right,
I hope they never sleep at night,
They'd better make some changes
And do it soon.

They're gonna ruin the air we breathe, Lord have mercy.
They're gonna ruin us all, by and by. I'm telling you all beware
I don't think they really care,
I think they just sit up there
And just get high.





Mississippi Kid**

(Al Kooper - Ron Van Zant - Robt.Burns)

I've got my pistols in my pockets, boys, I'm I'm Alabama bound.

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Well, I'm not looking for no trouble, But nobody dogs me 'round.

Well, I'm, going to fetch my woman, people Tri-cities, here I come.

Well, I'm going to fetch my woman, people Tri-cities, here I come.

'Cause she was raised up on that cornbread And I know she's gonna give me some.

When the kid hits Alabama, people Don't you try to dog him 'round.

Well, when the kid hits Alabama, people Don't you try to dog him 'round.

'Cause if you people cause me trouble, Then I've got to put you in the ground.

Well, I was born in Mississippi And I don't take any stuff from you. Well, I was born in Mississippi And I don't take any stuff from you. And if I hit you on your head Boy, it's got to make you black and blue.

Well, I ride to Alabama
With my pistols out by my side.
Well, I ride to Alabama
With my pistols out by my side.
'Cause down in Alabama you can run...
But you sure can't hide.



Poison Whisky* (Edw. King - Ron Van Zant)

Daddy was a Cajun raised on Southern land And so my kinfolks tell me, was a street fightin' man.

Well, they rushed him down to see the doctor "Hey doctor, won't you check his head?"

The only thing that was wrong with him Was Johnny Walker's Red. He drank ole poison whisky "Til it killed him dead.

It happened back in the bayou many years ago Satan came to take him an' he did it real slow. Well, they rushed him back to see the doctor, The doctor just shook his head. "Twenty years of rotgut whisky Done killed this poor man dead." He drank ole poison whisky "Til it killed him dead.

Take a tip from me, people... brothers, can't you see?
Ain't no future in ole poison whisky
They're gonna rush you down to see the doctor,
The doctor's gonna check your head.
The only thing he's gonna tell ya,
"Stop drinkin' Johnny Walker's Red."
Don't drink poison whiskey, don't you
drink it, boy.



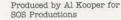




(Allen Collins - Ron Van Zant)

If I leave here tomorrow Would you still remember me? For I must be travelling on, now, 'Cause there's too many places I've got to see. But if I stayed here with you, girl, Things just couldn't be the same. 'Cause I'm as free as a bird, now, And this bird you cannot change. Lord knows, I can't change.

Bye, bye, it's been a sweet love, Though this feeling I can't change, But, please don't take it so badly, 'Cause the Lord knows I'm to blame. But if I stayed here with you, girl, Things just couldn't be the same. 'Cause I'm free as a bird, now, And this bird you'll never change. And this bird you cannot change. Lord knows, I can't change. Lord help me, I can't change.



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