

HE'S IN THE JAILHOUSE NOW

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VIA BLIND BLAKE, JIM JACKSON, FRANK STOKES, JIMMY ROGERS, EARL McDONALD, MEMPHIS JUG BAND, ETC.

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I RE - MEM - BER LAST E - LEC - TION JIM JONES GOT IN THE AC - TION SAID HE'S
 YOU RE - MEM - BER HEN - RY CRUISE HE SOLD THAT NO GOOD BOOZE
 SON WAS WALK - ING DOWN THE STREET A LIT - TLE CHICK HE CHANCED T'MEET
 JIM JONES LIKED TO FLIRT A ROUND FLIRT WITH EV' RY GAL IN TOWN UN -

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5 VO - TING FOR THE MAN WHO PAID THE BIG - GEST PRICE THE
 HE SOLD IT TO P'lice MAN ON THE BEAT NOW
 WENT TO EV' - RY CA - BA - RET IN TOWN
 TIL HE FLIRTED WITH BEN - NY'S WIFE

9 NEXT DAY AT THE POLL HE VO - TED WITH HIS HEART AND SOUL BUT IN -
 HEN - RY'S FEEL - LING FUNNY THE P'lice GAVE HIM MARKED MONEY HE'S
 HE BOUGHT LOTS OF LIQUER HIS TROU - BLES JUST GOT THICKER
 BENNY CUT IM IN THE FACE NAH, IT'S A DIS - GRACE

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13 STEAD OF VO - TING ONCE HE VO - TED TWICE
 GOT A BALL AND CHAIN A - ROUND HIS FEET
 NOW SON IS JAIL - HOUSE BOUND
 CHORUS BUT NOW HE'S GRAVE - YARD BOUND

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25 STEAD OF HIM STAYING AT HOME LET - TING THOSE WHITE FOLKS BUS' NESS A - LONE
 JUDGE GAVE HIM TWO YEARS HEN - RY'S SHED - DING TEARS
 GOT A P'lit - ical FRIEND JUDGE THE SEN - TENCE HE'LL SUS - PEND
 BEN - NY WAS HIS FRIEND, 'STEAD OF LETTING THAT MAT - TER END

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