



While my musical partner Lou listened via earbuds to a talking book and took her turns at the wheel on the way home from a short tour ending in far southern Illinois, I goofed with the game of naming songs that came to mind as I watched the scenery go by. My only rule was that I couldn't use the same song reference twice. In a careful of people this could be a fun competition, but maybe against the clock or the odometer instead of against each other, to avoid dustups. Here is a transcription of my scrawls, with apologies for not attributing and probably misnaming songs.

Starting on Hwy. 127 between Pinkneyville and Nashville, Illinois (I didn't know there was such a place) and heading toward I-64: Woods (**Teddy Bears' Picnic**: "If you go down in the woods today..."); two lane highway (**Follow That Road**); working farm (**Farmer In the Dell**); deserted farm (**Hollis Brown**); wide flat land (**Home On the Range**); liquor store in Nashville IL (**Bottle of Wine**); sign: Washington County Fairgrounds (**I Went to the Animal Fair**); police department (**Officer Krupke**); school zone (**What Did You Learn in School Today?**); gas station (**Tiptoe To the Gas Pumps**, sung by Tiny Tim); Fire plug (**When I Was a Cowboy**: "If your house catches fire and there ain't no water 'round, throw your suitcase out the window, let the goddam thing burn down"); **Chevrolet** (Gonna Buy You a Chevrolet); for sale sign on house (**This Old House**: "This old house once knew my children, this old house once knew my wife..."); guy helping another guy change a flat (**Help**); McDonald's arches on farmland horizon (**Old MacDonald Had a Farm**); little restaurant (**Alice's Restaurant**) in Nashville, IL (**Nashville Cats**).

Now on hwy. I-64 west over Little Crooked Creek (**Cripple Creek**); cell phone tower (**Wild About my Lovin**: "Hello Central, what's the matter with the line..."); a line of trucks (**Convoy**); great flat vistas (**On a Clear Day You Can See Forever**); barbed wire fence (**Don't Fence Me In**); pond with row-

boat (**Row Row Row**); little brown church in the distance (**Little Brown Church in the Vale**); lodging sign (**Heartbreak Hotel**); blowing grass by road (**Green Green Grass of Home**); blossoming trees (**Apple Blossom Time**); St. Louis 41 miles sign (**Meet Me In St. Louis**); stand of Scotch pine (**In the Pines**); flooded woods (**Backwater Blues**); Bridge (**Bridge over Troubled Waters**); sign: Shoal River (**Deep River Blues**); baseball field (**Take Me Out to the Ball Game**); Sugar Creek (**Honeycomb**: "Sugar in the mornin' sugar in the evenin'...") Cadillac (**Maybelline**: "I saw Maybelline in a Coup de Ville..."); oil well walking-beam (**Ballad of Jed Clampett**: "Oil that is. Black gold, Texas tea..."); purple clover (**I'm Looking Over a 4 Leaf Clover**); Forsythia (**You Are My Sweet Forsythia** [cheating; it's one of our own songs]).

White roofs (**Up On the Rooftop**); fishing boat on trailer (**Fishing Blues**); crossroads (**Crossroads**); cornfield (**Long Gone Like a Turkey Through the Corn**); redwing blackbirds on fenceposts (**Blackbird**); "Whiskey River" truck (**Whiskey River**); sign for airport (**Come Josephine in my Flying Machine**).

Now on Hwy. 4. Shadows on road (**Me And My Shadow**); sunshine on road (**You Are My Sunshine**); stop sign (**Stop in the Name of Love**); Casey's General Store (**Casey Jones**); housing development, Lebanon, IL (**Little Boxes**); old barn (**Chugalug**: "Me 'n' a friend sneak off behind this big old barn..."). Sign: firewood sale (**Put Another Log on the Fire**); hills (**Oklahoma Hills**); white dog in field (**Old Blue**); straw for sale (**Turkey in the Straw**); porches (**Don't Reach 'Neath the Welcome Mat**); flagpole (**Star Spangled Banner**); mailboxes (**I'm Gonna Mail Myself To You**); junkyard (**Bad Bad Leroy Brown**: "meaner than a junkyard dog"); big chimney (**The Drummer and the Cook**: "One eye on the pot and the other up the chimney"); old peeling paint on barn (**Old Paint**); for sale sign (**Who Will Buy**).

Now west on Hwy. 70. Road construction ahead (**Detour**); dandelions (**Dandelion Wine**); trash by road (**Garbage**). Now 55 north. Wabash National truck (**Wabash Cannonball**); sign for Chicago (**That Toddlin' Town**); horses

(**Stewball**); campground sign (**Tenting Tonight**); trees far away (**Looky Looky Yonder**); rest area welcome center (**Come In Stranger**); "Wake Up; Drive Alert" sign (**Wake Up Little Suzy**).

Woman walking (**Walkin' Blues**); Hilton Garden Inn (**The Garden Song**); FOOD sign (**Food Glorious Food**); School of Medicine (**Shortnin' Bread**: "Sent for the doctor..."); Illinois State Fair sign (**Our State Fair**); Camp Butler National Cemetery (**Where Have All the Flowers Gone**); truck wash (**Mud Glorious Mud**); Motorcycles (**Motorcycle Song**: "I don't want a tickle, I just wanna ride on my motorsikkle..."); bird on a wire (**Bird On the Wire**); Heartland Worship Center (**Amazing Grace**); grain bin (**Oats and Beans and Barley Grow**); Love's Service Plaza (**Love is a Many Splendored Thing**); gravel pile (**Rock of Ages**); sign: "Trees Removed" (**Lumberjack Song**); little building by railroad track (**Wayward Wind**: "In a lonely shack by a railroad track..."); two people on bikes (**Bicycle Built for Two**); curve in road (**Turn Turn Turn**); more cornfields (**Jimmy Crack Corn**); country road (**Take Me Home, Country Roads**); cows (**Git Along Little Dogies**); sign: "Hit a worker, 14 years in jail" (**Jailhouse Rock**); Grain Elevator Museum sign (**America the Beautiful**: "...amber waves of grain"); swing set (**On Christmas Day**: "Children go out in the yard and swing on Christmas day"); bald guy in car with sunroof (**Zippity Doo Dah**: "Plenty of Sunshine..."); chains hanging off truck cab (**Chain of Fools**); Dixie Service Plaza (**Dixie**); smoke in distance (**On Top of Old Smoky**); windy rest area (**They Call the Wind Mariah**); house with window shades (**Silhouettes On the Shade**); Open 24 hours (**24 Hours to Tulsa**); county fairgrounds (**What Can the Matter Be**: "Why's Johnny so long at the fair?"); cloverleaf (**Golden Wedding Day**: "...thru the fields of clover we'll ride home to Dover..."); trailer park (**King of the Road**: "Trailers for sale or rent..."); biker with green jacket (**Green Green, it's Green They Say**); man fishing (**Ain't It A Shame**: "Ain't it a shame to go fishin' on a Sunday..."); sign: Oak State Products now hiring (**Get a Job**).

Many hours later, a certain little green house (**There's No Place Like Home**).