

DOWN THE ROAD

Traditional Old-Time Breakdown and Song; **DATE:** Early 1900's; **CATEGORY:** Fiddle and Instrumental Tunes; **RECORDING INFO:** Flatt & Scruggs; Tony Rice; Greenbriar Boys. **RELATED TO:** "Ida Red," "Over the Road I'm Bound To Go," "Letter from Down the Road," "On the Road Again," "Kassie Jones," (Furry Lewis's version); **OTHER NAMES:** "Down the Road Just a Mile or Two" **NOTES:** Part of the "Ida Red/Over the Road I'm Bound To Go/Feather Bed" group of songs.

Down the road a-bout a mile or two Lives a lit-tle girl named Pear-ly Blue A -
 bout so high and her hair is brown Pret-ti-est thing boys in this town
 Down the road down the road Got a lit-tle pret-ty girl down the road.

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G **Em G** **D G**
 Down the road just a mile or two, Lives a little girl named Pearly Blue
Em G **D G**
 About so high and hair is brown, Prettiest thing boys in this town.

G **Em G** **D G**
Chorus: Down the road, down the road, Got a little pretty girl down the road.

G **Em G** **D G**
 Now any time you wanna know, Where I'm heading is down the road
Em G **D G**
 See that girl on the line, You'll find me there most any old time. *Chorus*

Now every day and Sunday, too, I go to see my Pearly Blue
 Before you hear the rooster crow,
 You'll see me headed down the road. *Chorus*

Clemmy Rakestraw owns a farm, From the hog wash to the barn
 From the barn to the rail, Made his living by carrying the mail. *Chorus*

Now every time I get the blues, I walk the soles right off my shoes
 Now every time I get the blues
 I walk the soles right off my shoes. *Chorus*