

WHOA MULE

Traditional Old-Time and Bluegrass Song; **DATE:** Early 1900's; *Journal of American Folklore* 1911; **CATEGORY:** Early Country and Bluegrass Songs; **RECORDING INFO:** Riley Puckett- 1924; The Hill Billies- 1924; Uncle Dave Macon-1926; Chubby Parker- 1927; Clarence Tom Ashley; Georgia Yellow Hammers; Kimble Family; J. E. Mainer's Mountaineers; Smokey Valley Boys; **OTHER NAMES:** Hold on to that Sleigh; Whoa Mule Whoa; Buckin' Mule; Kickin' Mule; **NOTES:** One of the popular old-time songs, it has even been sung as "Flop-Eared Mule" on "Andy Griffith Sings Favorite Old Time Songs."

I went up - on the moun-tain to get me a bag of corn. Rac - coon set his
 dog on me, and the pos - sum blowed his horn. Whoa mule you kick-in' mule.
 Whoa mule I say. Ain't got time to kiss you now, My mule's run - nin' a - way.

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C G
 I went up on the mountain, To get a bag of corn.
 C F G C
 Raccoon set his dog on me, And the possum blowed his horn.

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Chorus: Whoa mule, you kickin' mule, Whoa mule I say.
 C F G C
 I ain't got time to kiss you now, My mule's runnin' away.

Mary had a little cat, It swallowed a ball of yarn.
 When those little cats came out, They all had sweaters on.

Now grandma had a yeller hen, Yeller as pure gold.
 She set her on three buzzard eggs; She hatched out one old crow.

Your face is like a coffee pot, Your nose is like a spout.
 Your mouth is like a fireplace, With all the ashes out.