

Wreck Of The Old 97

Traditional

Tempo

Musical score for 'Wreck Of The Old 97'. The score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The melody is accompanied by chords D, G, and A. The lyrics are: 'Oh they gave him his orders in Monroe Virginia saying Steve you're way behind time This is not thirty eight but it's old Ninety Seven you must put her in to Spencer on time'.

Oh, they gave him his orders in Monroe, Virginia, saying,
"Steve, you're way behind time
This is not 38, this is Old 97
You must put her into Spencer on time".

He turned and he said to his tired, greasy fireman,
"Shovel in a little more coal
And when we cross the White Oak Mountain
Just watch old 97 roll".

It's a mighty rough road from Lynchburg to Danville
A line on a three mile grade
It was on this grade that he lost his leverage
You can see what a jump he made

He was going down the grade making ninety miles an hour
When his whistle broke into a scream
He was found in the wreck with his hand on the throttle
Scalded to death by the steam

Now all you ladies, please take warning
From this time now and learn
Never speak harsh words to your true living husband
He may leave and never return

