



EDITORIAL

The insurance company blues

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Those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues

I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.
From North to South, from East to West,
Preventin' us from doing our best
They manage my care, while they trim and pare.
Downcoded my bills, changed my pills,
I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.

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Whoever I see, they're watchin' me,
Order a test? They say, "surely you jest."
You gotta toe the line, before you image that spine.
I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.

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They carved out depression, surely we're regressing.
Hassle my staff, it ain't no laugh.
Pay for performance, sure no romance.
I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.

I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.
Managed my 'Caid, rained on my parade.
Slashed my fees, brought me to my knees.
Now they blended my codes—we're at the crossroads.
I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.

I tell ya, got those down-and-out, Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues!
They audit my charts, redirect my hearts.
I'm losing my mind, they ain't very kind.
In the end it's a shame, but who is to blame?
I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.

I got those Honky-Tonk Insurance Company Blues.
I say, I got those Down-and-Out, Out-of-Control,
Honky Tonky Insurance Company Blues.

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