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Lookin' for some greener grass, I left my lone star home Put my trust in wanderlust, struck out for parts unknown I tried California where it's sunny all the time But someone dug up all the gold in '49

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I headed for Alaska, where I thought I'd change my luck

But the nights are long and cold and lunch can cost a hundred b ucks

They're shuttin' down the motor town, the lights at night aren't pretty

And you can't walk the streets of New York City

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I spent my last ten dollars drinkin' rum down in the Keyes Shipped aboard a freighter and I've seen more than seven seas 'Cause one square mile of ocean looks just like the one next to it

If I could find my way back home, I'd do it

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Now, plant me in the parking lot outside the Astrodome Or pushin' up the rose of San Antone