Jan would climb up so high on the foul screen Down below I would yell to watch out When we'd play ... was always the winner He was brave never listened to me shout Afternoons playin' ball by the old wall Hidin' out and of course be the star Kept my records in old looseleaf notebooks And today I think I still know where they are

Oh, Railroad days
Railroad days
Railroad days
When I was young, in my prime
On my way
When the rain never got in my way
oh in my younger railroad days

Some nights, Drifters playin' on the hi-fi
Talkin' 'bout girls, or preposterous lies
Laughin hard, watchin' Soupy at eleven
Skonkin' down, one of Mom's lemon pies
Ten o'clock, bringin' groceries from the market
Singin songs, to the darkness of the night
Even sang the parts the instruments were playing
Life was freer, dreams were really quite all right

Oh, Railroad days
Railroad days
Railroad days
When the sun seemed to smile on it's way
When the darkness was easier to play yeah
oh in my younger railroad days

Yesterday, I heard they shut the trains down The ones than ran, by the field where I would play Said the folks want new and faster transportation It's just like me, I'll be obsolete one day

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