Fishin' On The Mississippi

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Well I'm fishin' in the middle of the Mississippi river And the water's too muddy to drink Big catfish bitin' on the little pole and my baby's waitin' on the bank Well you tried to make a livin' on the Mississippi river it's a mighty hard life to live But I'm gonna build a house for my pretty little baby And I'm gonna build it on the hill Well maybe if I'm lucky I'll catch a catfish and I'll sell 'em for a dollar bill Then I'm gonna buy another board and a pocketful of nails For my little house on the hill Well I'm fishin' in the middle

My pappy told me there's sure gonna be a lotta hard times a com in' around But I'd rather go a fishin' on the Mississippi river than livin ' in a cold cold ground Well I can't make whiskey like all the others oh my baby would set me free I have to go runnin' down Mississippi river when the law come c allin' on me Well I'm fishin' in the middle Well I'm fishin' in the middle