

## Bucking Machine

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I've rode lots of horses and I've won a few shows  
Ridin' broncs at the big old rodeos  
But the dang-dest contraption that I've ever seen  
Is that bucket of bots called a buckin' machine  
The kids they were all lined up to give the thing a go  
And when I first saw it Lord it looked pretty slow  
It jumped and it kicked then it turned back a twirled  
Then I got to thinking I'll give it a whirl  
So I pushed through the crowd and I talked to the man  
Who had invented this here modified garbage can  
I said I'm a twister and one of the best  
I'm a wolf of the world boys I must confess  
Ill bet you a hundred I said with a grin I'll spur it so hard i  
ts sides will cave in  
And the bolts and the screws that hold the dang thing together  
Will fall down inside it there and short out its motor  
Well the man he said son I'll take that bet  
And I won't turn it till you think that you're set  
So I got my riggin' and I cinched it on down  
Then I said to old Sam go ahead and turn it on  
Well it rattled and it groaned, then it started to move  
I spurred it every jump, and, Lord, it felt mighty smooth  
The foam rubber was a flyin' right off of its old neck  
And the tin underneath it was startin' to crack  
I looked at the man and I started to say  
I'll win me that hundred fore the end of the day  
Then he grabbed a big ol' lever with a little sly grin  
Jammed it up to high gear and locked it right on in  
With a snatch and a jerk and a sharp stabbin' pain  
I felt like a hobo tied to an old freight train  
My head it went to poppin' and I saw all the starts  
The Big Dipper the Milky Way and the planet they call Mars  
The next thing I knew I was right there on the ground  
Just about thirty feet away from that laughin' crowd  
So I payed up my hundred and I limped on away  
And the words the man I still remember today  
So you're a wolf of the world and a real tough twister  
Well listen real close to some good advise Mister  
Keep a ridin' them old broncs if you're still feeling mean  
But you'd better keep clear of Sam's buckin' machine