The Bug That Tried to Crawl Around the World

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Now you've heard of folks with a lot of ambition
But I believe just about the biggest case of ambition I ever sa
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Was in a bug that I saw crawlin' along the beach one day
He was a mighty ambitious bug
On the beach one early mornin' as a day was newly dawnin'
And the sun again was warmin' all the chill thru'out the land
I saw me a bug a walkin' and at first I thought he was quakin'
Then I found out he was talkin' while he crawled across the san
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He was crawlin' mighty straight at a slow but a steady gait
And when I asked him to wait he said oh come on crawl with me
But I said where you goin' and he said you'll be knowin'
For I'm gonna make a showin' and you'll someday see
Well I stood there by the ocean I suddenly had the notion
That I start this big promotion so this challenge I enfirled sa
id the bug
So I gave my wife a hug and I left my confy rug
So I could be the only bug that ever crawled around the world
Well he seemed mighty small and it was a long way to crawl
And I'm sure he couldn't swim at all so I try to discourage my
friend
I said you know the world is round and there's mighty lotta gro
und
And there some water to be found before you reach your journey'
s end
And he said now don't you fret there's problems to be met
But I'll make it you can bet and this deed will bring glory to
my name
You know they said man would never fly now he's soarin' in the
sky
Cause he had the will to try so let me win my fame
So he crawled on out of sight as he sought that splendoured hei
ght
Neither lookin' left nor right but slowly marchin' toward his g
oal
And my knowin' he had started on his journey as we parted
Kept me from feelin' too down hearted for he was a mighty ambit
ious soul
Well I've looked everywhere I've been and seen a lotta bugs sin
ce then
But not one quite like my little friend when I think of him I'm
 filled with pride
Did he make it I don't know he was crawlin' mighty slow and he
had a long way to go
And all I can tell you folks is that he tried he sure was an am
bitious bug

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