

## When Papa Played the Dobro

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My papa was a hobo when they delivered me  
We didn't have a doctor cause he couldn't pay the fee  
But when the goin' got too bad to ease his misery  
Papa played the dobro this a way and he'd go

When company would come around he kept the dobro hid  
He knew he couldn't play the way the other players did  
Why the guitar's resonator was a gallon bucket lid  
But papa played the dobro this a way and he'd go

Well now that papa's gone away it's hanging by the flue  
The top of it's rusted and the strings're rusty too  
It won't ever sound the way that it did when it was new  
When papa played the dobro this a way and he'd go