

When It's Springtime in Alaska

Johnny Horton

I mushed from Point Barrow through a blizzard of snow
Been out prospectin' for two years or so
Pulled into Fairbanks, the city was a-boom
So I took a little stroll to the Red Dog Sea-loon

As I walked in the door, the music was clear
The purtiest voice I had heard in two years
The song she was singin' made a man's blood run cold
When it's Springtime in Alaska, it's forty below
(When it's Springtime in Alaska, it's forty below)

It was redheaded Lil who was singin' so sweet
I reached down and took the snow packs off my feet
I reached for the gal who was singin' the tune
We did the Eskeemo Hop all around the sea-loon

With the Caribou Crawl and a Grizzly Bear Hug
We did our dance on a Kodiak rug
The song she kept singin' made a man's blood run cold
When it's Springtime in Alaska, it's forty below

I was as innocent as I could be
I didn't know Lil was Big Ed's wife-to-be
He took out his knife and he gave it a throw
When it's Springtime in Alaska, I'll be six feet below
(When it's Springtime in Alaska, he'll be six feet below)