

Mule Skinner Blues (Blue Yodel No. 8)

Merle Haggard

Good morning, Captain
Good morning, Shine
Do you need another mule skinner
Out on your new mud line?

I like to work
I'm rolling all the time
I can carve my initials
On a mule's behind

Hey, little water boy
Bring that water round
If you don't like your job
Set that water bucket down

Walking on the good roads
Dollar and half a day
My good gal's waiting on Saturday night
Just to draw my pay

I'm going to town, honey
What you want me to bring you back?
Bring a pint of booze
And a Johny B Stetson hat

I smell your bread a burning
Turn your damper down
If you ain't got a damper
Good gal, turn your bread around