The backroom boys are playin' real hard There's a lot of money rollin' on the next card Some are goin' up some are goin' down Some'll never make it to the next round

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They got—a room full of women A table full of booze Gettin' meaner with the dealer—'cause he can't lose Someone shouts out,"it's a goddamn shame" The dealer's gettin' meaner with the cocaine

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