She was in the backyard - they say it was a little past nine When her prince pulled up - a white pickup truck
Her folks shoulda seen it comin' - it was only just a matter of time

Plenty old enough - and you can't stop love

She stuck a note on the screen door - "sorry but I got to go"

That was all she wrote - her mama's heart was broke

That was all she wrote - so the story goes

Now her daddy's in the kitchen - starin' out the window Scratchin' and a rackin' his brains
How could 18 years just up and walk away
Our little pony-tailed girl growed up to be a woman
Now she's gone in the blink of an eye
She left the suds in the bucket
And the clothes hangin' out on the line

Now don't you wonder what the preacher's gonna preach about Sun day morn

Nothin' quite like this has happened here before Well he must have been a looker - smooth talkin' son of a gun For such a grounded girl - to just up and run Course you can't fence time - and you can't stop love

Now all the biddy's in the beauty shop gossip goin' non-stop Sippin' on pink lemonade

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And the clothes hangin' out on the line

She's got her pretty little bare feet hangin' out the window And they're headin' up to Vegas tonight

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