Walkin' Home Alone

Stan Ridgway

Now there's last sunday's paper Crumpled up and rollin' down the street Away And there's a piece of gum Just waitin' for a ride on someone's feet Today

And tonight I'll be walkin' home alone

Now, there's a million things I said And twice as many that I didn't say Yay-ay And I remember an afternoon A broken coffee cup, and some Broadway tune And I shook her hand And I said okay

And now as I stroll by some skinny dog Left outside without a bone Tonight, I'll be walkin' home alone

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And ain't it funny how one afternoon Can make two people stop and say That all the time they spent together Didn't really mean that much anyway... no, not much. Just a sinkful of dirty dishes And a picture in a drawer And a hairbrush on the table And a hole punched in a door And if she were here right now I'd tell her things I never told her before

So now I hear a clock and I get up fast Draw the curtain on a brand new day I can't wait to get this cast off The telephone's dead--I guess they turned it off today Turn the key on the mailbox slot Lookin' for a letter, but bills is all I've got And even the cat she left me with Is goin' out with someone else

So put another quarter in the jukebox, Pete But don't play that one with the sad trombone 'Cause tonight, I'll be walkin' home alone And tonight, I'll be walkin' home alone All alone Walkin' home All alone.