

FOLKWAYS - LP 1 – THE SOUTH (FP 53 / 1950, FJ 2801 / 1958)

1. **Ol' Hannah (Go Down Old Hannah)** (Prison Work Song) **4:52**
Doc Reese-voc solo. 1939-1945. (recorded by Moses Asch - Folkways)
2. **Juliana Johnson** (Axe Cutting Song) **1:05**
Huddie Ledbetter (Leadbelly)-g & voc. May-October, 1944. (Moses Asch - Folkways)
3. **Harmonica Breakdown** (Hoe Down Dance) **2:28**
Sonny Terry-hca; "Oh" Red (George Washington)-wb. New York City, Wednesday, March 6, 1940 (Columbia 30064, 37686; OKeh 05538) (reissued on Roots RL-321)
4. **John Henry** (Work Song) **2:17**
Leadbelly, Brownie McGhee, Sonny Terry. Ca. 1941. (Moses Asch - Folkways)
5. **Down South** (Blues) **2:51**
Scrappier Blackwell-g & voc. November 24, 1931? (G 18218-VAR 6042)
6. **Penitentiary Blues** **3:10**
Bessie Tucker-voc; K. D. Johnson-p. Memphis, August 29, 1928.
(Victor V-38526 / 45441-2) (EP His Masters Voice 7EG 8085 / 1955)
7. **Dry Bones (in the Valley)** (Negro Sermon) **3:34**
Rev. J. M. Gates with Congregation. Chicago, December 1-2, 1926.
(78rpm Victor 35810 / LP RST Records/Blue Documents BD-2104 [Rudolf Staeger, Wien, Austria])
8. **When the Saints Go Marching In** **2:54**
Wheat Street Female Quartet (personnel unknown; members of the Wheat Street Baptist Church). Atlanta, GA, January 29, 1925. (Columbia 14067 / 140298-1)
9. **I Can't Feel at Home** (Spiritual) **2:45**
Two Gospel Keys-2 female vocalists, with tamb & g (Emma Daniels, Mother Sally Jones?). New York, late 1946. (Moses Asch - Folkways)
10. **Slow Boogie** **2:19**
Champion Jack Dupree-p & voc. 1943-44. (Folkways)
11. **38 Slug** **2:45**
Jim Jam Band: unknown g, wb, mand, kaz, bones, vocals. (G 16266 VAR?)
12. **Blues for Lorenzo** (Creole) **2:29**
Omer Simeon-cl; James P. Johnson-p; Pops Foster-b. New York, February 22, 1945.
(Drob) (Disc Company of America 6001 A / unknown matrix)
13. **Dallas Rag** **2:48**
Dallas String Band: Coley Jones-mand, voc; unknown-mand; ? Sam Harris-g; Marco Washington-b. Dallas, December 6, 1927. (Columbia 14290-D / 145343-2)
14. **When A'Gator Holler, Folks Say It's a Sign of Rain** **2:45**
Margaret Johnson with Black Blue Trio: Tom Morris-c; Bob Fuller-cl; Mike Jackson-p. NY, October 20, 1926. (Victor 20333 / 36846-1) (alternate take 2 on Vic LP-7049 (LP))

FOLKWAYS - LP 2 – THE BLUES (FP 55 / 1950, FJ 2802 / 1956)

- 15. Dark Was the Night-Cold Was the Ground** **3:16**
Blind Willie Johnson (Columbia 14303-D / 145320-1) (Jazz Classics 512)
- 16. Black Woman** **1:22**
Vera Hall-voc (unaccompanied). Details unknown. Frederic Ramsey, Jr. (liner notes)
- 17. Black Snake Moan** (*Jefferson*) **2:48**
Blind Lemon Jefferson-voc, g. (OKeh 8455-A / unknown matrix) (PARA 12407)
- 18. Misery Blues** (*Gertrude Rainey*) **2:35**
Gertrude Ma Rainey & Her Georgia Jazz Band: Shirley Clay-co; Kid Ory-tb; ? Hop
 Hopson-p; unknown-bjo and tu. Chicago, ca. August, 1927. (Paramount 12508 / 4707-1)
- 19. Working Man's Blues** (*Joe Oliver*) **2:57**
King Oliver's Creole Jazz Band: King Oliver, Louis Armstrong-co; Honore Dutrey-tb;
 Johnny Dodds-cl; Stump Evans-Cmel sax; Lil Hardin-p; Johnny St Cyr-bjo; Baby
 Dodds-dr. Richmond, IN, October 5, 1923. (Gennet 5275 / 11636-B) (HJCA 7)
- 20. No Easy Rider Blues** **3:19**
Gertrude Perkins-voc; by Willie Tyson-p; unknown-g; Octave Gaspar-tu.
 Dallas, December 6, 1927. (Columbia 14313-D / 145340-1)
- 21. Lord I Just Can't Keep from Crying** **3:00**
Blind Willie Johnson with g & female "Helpers"
 (Columbia 14425-D / 147570)
- 22. How Long Blues** **3:52**
Jimmy Yancey-p solo. Chicago, December 1943.
 (Session 12-003 / WC-117) (Riverside RLP-1061)
- 23. Mr. Jelly Lord** (*Morton*) **2:46**
Jelly Roll Morton Trio: Johnny Dodds-cl; Jelly Roll Morton-p; Baby Dodds-dr.
 Oak Street studio, Chicago, June 10, 1927. (Victor 21064, Bluebird B 10258 / 38664-1)
- 24. Bridwell Blues** **3:29**
Nolan Welsh-voc; Louis Armstrong-co; Richard M. Jones-p. Chicago, June 16,
 1926. (OKeh 8372 / 9727-A) (HJCA 36?)
- 25. Careless Love** (*William Christopher Handy*) **3:02**
Original Tuxedo Jazz Orchestra: Oscar Celestin-co, dir; "Kid Shots" Madison-co;
 William Ridgley-tb; Willard Thoumy-cl, as; unknown-ts; Manuel Manetta-p; John
 Marrero- bjo; Simon Marrero-b; Abby Foster-d, sw. New Orleans, January 23, 1925.
 (OKeh 8198 / 8907-A) (JC 510A)
- 26. Mean Old Bed Bug Blues** **3:09**
Bessie Smith-voc; Porter Grainger-p; Lincoln Conaway-g. New York,
 September 27, 1927. (Columbia 14250-D / 144796-3)
- 27. I'm Not Rough** **2:54**
Louis Armstrong and His Hot Five: Louis Armstrong-co, voc; Kid Ory-tb; Johnny
 Dodds-cl; Lil Armstrong-p; Johnny St. Cyr-bjo, g. Chicago, December 10, 1927.
 (OKeh 8551 / 82040-B)

Total Time 79:59