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City Of New Orleans - Steve Goodman/Arlo Guthrie

[C]Riding on the [G]City of New [C]Orleans, [Am]Illinois Central, [F]Monday morning [C]rail, [G] [C]Fifteen cars and [G]fifteen restless [C]riders, Three [Am]conductors, and [G]twenty five sacks of [C]mail All along [Am]the southbound odyssey, The [Em]train pulls out of Kankakee, And [G]rolls along past houses, farms and [D]fields [Am]Passing trains that have no name, And [Em]freight yards full of old black men, And [G]graveyards of the [F]rusted automo[C]biles

Chorus

[F]Good morning A[G]merica, how [C]are you? Say [Am]don't you know me, [F]I'm your native [C]son [G] I'm the [C]train they call the [G]City of New [Am]Orleans [D7] I'll be [F]gone five hundred [G]miles when the day is [C]done

[C]Dealing card games with the [G]old men in the club [C]car [Am]penny a point, ain't [F]no one keeping [C]score [G] [C]Pass the paper [G]bag that holds the [C]bottle, [Am]Feel the wheels [G]rumbling 'neath the [C]floor And the [Am]sons of Pullman porters And the [Em]sons of engineers Ride their [G]fathers' magic carpet made of [D]steel [Am]Mothers with their babes asleep [Em]Rocking to the gentle beat And the [G]rhythm of the [F]rails is all they [C]feel

(Chorus)

[C]Nighttime on the [G]City of New [C]Orleans, [Am]Changing cars in [F]Memphis, Tennes[C]see [G] [C]Halfway home, and [G]we'll be there by mor[C]ning Through the [Am]Mississippi darkness, [G]rolling down to the [C]sea But [Am]all the towns and people seem To [Em]fade into a bad dream The [G]steel rail still ain't heard the [D]news The [Am]conductor sings his songs again The [Em]passengers will please refrain This [G]train's got the disap[F]pearing railroad [C]blues

(Chorus) Replace morning with night,

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