

IN OLD KENTUCKY

It's up in Old Kentucky, where they never have the blues;

Where the Captain kills the Colonel, and the Colonel kills the "booze" Where the horses they are pretty, and the women they are—too:

Where they shoot men for pastime when there's nothing else to do.

Where the blood it flows like water, and the bullets fly like hail;

Where every pistol has a pocket and every coat has a tail.

Where they always hang the jury, but they never hang the man,

Where you call a man a liar, then go home if you can,

Where you go out in the morning, just to give your health a chance,

And they bring you home at nightfall, with buckshot in your pants, Where the owl's afraid to holler and

the birds don't dare to sing,
For it's h-1 in Old Kentucky, where

they shoot 'em on the wing.

