Faded, jaded, fallen cowboy star
Pawn shops itching for your old guitar
... Where you going? ... God only knows
The sequins have fallen from your clothes
/ A G D - / / G - D - / G - A - /

Once you heard the Opry crowd applaud Now you're hanging out at Fourth and Broad On the rain whipped sidewalk, remembering the time When coffee with a friend was still a dime

And everythings been ... Sold American
The early times is finished and the want-ads all are red
Everyone's been ... Sold American
Been dreaming dreams in a roll away bed

/ D - Em - / A - G D / :

Writing down your memoirs on a window in the frost Roulette eyes reflecting another morning lost Hauled in by the metro for killing time and pain With the Singing Brakeman screaming through your veins

And everythings been, sold American The lonely night is morning, for the death it never dies Everyones been, sold American Don't let me catch you laughing when the jukebox cries

You told me you were born so much lighter than life But I've seen the faded pictures of your children and your wife Now they're fumbling through your wallet and they're trying to find your name Its almost like they raised the price of fame

And everythings been, sold American No place to go and brother no place to stay Everyones been, sold American Just let that golden greyhound roll your soul away