City of New Orleans

Bb/// F/// G7/// C///

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[C] Riding on the [G] city of New Or-[C]-leans,
[Am] Illinois central [F] Monday morning [C] rail
[C] Fifteen cars and fif-[G]-teen restless [C] riders
Three con-[Am]-ductors and [G7] twenty-five sacks of [C] mail
All al-[Am]-long the southbound odyssey
the [Em] train pulls out of Kankakee
And [G] rolls along past houses, farms and [D] fields
[Am] Passin' trains that have no names.
[Em] freight yards full of old black men
And the grave-[G]-yards of the [G7] rusted automo-[C]-biles [C7]
[F] Good morning A-[G7]-merica how [C] are you
[Am] Don't you know me [F] I'm your native [C] son
[G7] I'm the [C] train they call the [G] City of New Or-[Am]-leans
[Am7/// D7///]
I'll be [Bb] gone five [F] hundred [G7] miles when day is [C] done
Dealin' [C] card games with the [G] young man in the [C] club car
[Am] Penny a point ain't [F] no one keepin' [C] score
[C] Pass the paper [G] bag that holds the [C] bottle
[Am] Feel the wheels [G7] rumblin' 'neath the [C] floor
And the [Am] sons of pulman porters
and the [Em] sons of the engineers
Ride their [G] father's magic carpet made of [D] steel
[Am] Mothers with their babes asleep
are [Em] rockin' to the gentle beat
And the [G] rhythm of the [G7] rails is all they [C] feel [C]
[F] Good morning A-[G7]-merica how [C] are you
[Am] Don't you know me [F] I'm your native [C] son
[G7] I'm the [C] train they call the [G] City of New Or-[Am]-leans
[Am7/// D7///]
I'll be [Bb] gone five [F] hundred [G7] miles when day is [C] done
[C] Nightime on the [G] city of new Or-[C]-leans
[Am] Changing cars in [F] Memphis Tenne-[C]-see
[C] Half way home and [G] we'll be there by [C] morning
Through the [Am] Missipppi darkness
[G7] Rolling to the [C] sea
And [Am] all the towns and people seem to [Em] fade into a bad dream
And the [G] steel rails still ain't heard the [D] news
The con-[Am]-ductor sings his song again
The [Em] passengers will please refrain
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This [G] train's got the disa-[G7]-ppearing railroad [C] blues [C7]

[F] Good night A-[G7]-merica how [C] are you
[Am] Don't you know me [F] I'm your native [C] son
[G7] I'm the [C] train they call the [G] City of New Or-[Am]-leans
[Am7///|D7///]
I'll be [Bb] gone five [F] hundred [G7] miles when day is [C] done