

## New Gulf Coast Blues

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I done pack my belong  
Gonna leave my woes  
Goin' to a better place  
With a smile upon my face

When that steam boat blows  
And that Gulf stream flows  
You'll hear me say goodbye  
Because there's a reason why

The Gulf of Mexico  
Flows in to the Mobile Bay  
The Gulf of Mexico  
Flows in to the Mobile Bay  
I'm gonna let that cool stream of water  
Flow over my head someday

Tell me mister mailman  
What is on your mind?  
Tell me mister mailman  
What is on your mind?  
If you pass my door  
So glad you obliged

My eyes are brown  
My teeth are pearly white  
My eyes are brown  
My teeth are pearly white  
Because my skin is dark  
Don't mean my heart ain't right