It was early in the fall and a-blowin' up a squall From the trestle you could hear the weirdest moans With a mighty lonesome cry came a whistle from the sky And it chilled the very marrow in my bones Then a loud, rushing roar, like you never heard before Turned the blood to icy water in my veins As I watched with rising fear, something strange was drawing ne ar

And I saw in the clouds ghost trains

Ghost trains, ghost trains, what a fearful sight
The Cannonball and Number Nine were racing thru the night
Just as they passed me by, I heard the engineer cry
Give her coal, give her coal, shovel it on
You could see the fireman grinnin', in the engine that was winn
in'

But I knew before the finish they'd be gone But he knew before the finish they'd be gone

You could see the driver's roll as they shoveled on the coal And the black smoke came pouring from the stacks
As they thundered thru the sky, I am here to testify
You could hear the wheels a-clickin' on the tracks
Thru the smoke and the steam, you could see the headlights glea

Now I have no proof, but still the fact remains You may doubt it, but I swear, there were cinders in my hair When I saw in the clouds ghost trains

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As I watched I saw them fade into the dawn As he watched he saw them fade into the dawn