

Reno Blues (Philadelphia Lawyer)

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Way out in Reno, Nevada
Where romance blooms and fades
A great Philadelphia lawyer
Was in love with a Hollywood maid.

"Come, love, and we will wander
"Down where the lights are bright
"I'll win you a divorce from your husband
"And we can get married tonight."

Wild Bill was a gun-totin' cowboy
Ten notches were carved in his gun
An' all the boys around Reno
Left Wild Bill's maiden alone.

One night when he was returning
From ridin' the range in the cold
He dreamed of his Hollywood sweetheart
Her love was as lasting as gold.

As he grew near her window
A shadow he saw on the shade
'Twas the great Philadelphia lawyer
Makin' love to Bill's Hollywood maid.

The night was as still as the desert
And the moon hangin' high overhead
Bill listened a while to the lawyer
He could hear ev'ry word that they said...

"Your hands are so pretty and lovely
"Your form's so rare and divine
"Come go with me to the city
"And leave this wild cowboy behind."

Now back in old Pennsylvania
Among the beautiful pines
There's one less Philadelphia lawyer
In old Philadelphia tonight...