

Big Land – My grandfather was born in Scotland. After marrying and having two sons, he took off to America to work on his dream, to become a US citizen, and provide the best for his family. This is his story.

Everybody's Headin' Somewhere – If you have something you want to do, don't put it off. Get after it, without hesitation, because before you know it, the opportunity may have passed you by. Shoulda, Coulda, Woulda are not good words.

Fair Weather Man – I hate the cold, and everything that goes along with it. I'm a Texas boy. What the hell am I doing in the north?

Amsterdam – I had to travel to Europe for business. It was exciting at one time to do that, but that fascination ended several trips ago. The 8-hour flight is a real burden any more. One time, those sitting next to me were a woman and her two daughters. We talked the entire way to Amsterdam. The time between take off and touchdown was a total blur. The best short flight I ever took.

Foolish Child – What the heck is the Irish conflict all about? I don't get it, but I haven't lived it, either. In this story, a young boy is discussing his desire to go play with some new potential friends, and the father is explaining why he can't.

You Ain't Got It Bad Blues – I know of two real-life occurrences of this story. A woman talks her husband into buying her a new set of upper protuberances, if you get my drift. The husband is actually excited about the possibility of seeing them. However, the woman has something else in mind, such as walking out on his sorry posterior.

I Took A Chance – I'm not completely sure what this means, except possibly, no matter what experiences, or material things you have had, and consider important, you really don't have squat until you have a meaningful relationship with the love of your life.

Beijing – Here we go with this traveling thing. There was a chance I was going to have to go to China on business. I hated the thought because it takes almost forever to get there. Then I remembered that China is the world's leading producer of stringed instruments. ☺ I could go there without one, buy one, and have a good time pickin' and grinnin' at the Wall.

Let Yourself Go – A friend of mine says that he can't write a song. This is a guy who has been around this planet for at least as long as I have. He has thousands of stories sequestered within. You just have to find a way to get them out. You just have to let yourself go.

Tearin' 'Em Down – The American mentality is to demolish *what is*, for *what will be*, seldom preserving evidence of time. In Europe, and other parts of the world, architecture is not only preserved, but is constantly undergoing restoration to make sure it is available for future generations to enjoy. I know which philosophy I like.