

Sweet Home Chicago

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Now, one and one is two, two and two is four
I'm heavy loaded baby, I'm booked, I gotta go
Cryin' baby, honey, don't you want to go
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Now two and two is four, four and two is six
You gon' keep on monkeyin' 'round here, friend-boy,
you gon' get your business all in a trick
I'm cryin' baby, honey, don't you want to go
Back to the land of California, to my sweet home Chicago

Now six and two is eight, eight and two is ten
Friend-boy, she trick you one time, she sure gon' do it again
I'm cryin' hey, hey, baby, don't you want to go
To the land of California, to my sweet home Chicago

I'm goin' to California, from there to Des Moines, Iowa
Somebody will tell me that you need my help someday
Cryin' hey, hey, baby, don't you want to go
Back to the land of California, to my sweet home Chicago

Recorded on 23 November 1936 in San Antonio; a classic blues that has been recorded innumerable times
in various versions (like Eddie Burns who replaced Chicago with Detroit...)