

Gambling Polka Dot Blues

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I thought I was a gambler broke every shark in town
Until I met a rounder who called all I put down
We laid the cards on the table, he drew an ace high hand
He bet his watch and I called it and lost my money like a man

I've got them polka dot blues, oh them polka dot blues
Lost my hat and my coat and my straight lace shoes
I sold my watch and went back to lose
The mean old gambling polka dot blues, the gambling polka dot blues

My gal had plenty and I got twenty then went back and sat down
I got a four but I thought it was more as we dealt the cards around
I set the deck on the table and bet him all I could stand
I turned over a measly four he had another ace high hand

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