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Slow Blues

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand starts with a melody in D major, featuring a triplet of eighth notes (D, E, F#) followed by a quarter note G. The left hand provides a steady bass line with chords and single notes in D major.

VERSE

1. Long as there is chicken gravy on your rice, —  
2. Nev-er in my life seen such a lazy- bones, —

The first line of the verse is set in D major. The vocal line is on a single staff. The piano accompaniment is on two staves, featuring a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand and a steady bass line in the left hand. Chords D, G, and Bb7E7b5A7 are indicated below the piano part.

ev- 'ry thing is nice. Long as there's a wa-ter-mel-on on the vine, — Ev-'ry-thing is  
Sleep-ing all the day, Nev-er seen a fel-low who just sighs and moans. When work comes his

The second line of the verse continues the melody. The piano accompaniment includes chords Bb7 E7b5 A7, D G D D, G, Bb7 E7b5 A7, and Bb7 E7b5 A7.

fine — You got no time to work, — you got no time to play, — Bus-y do-in' noth-in' all the  
way; — Why ev-en Farm-er Brown — he had to turn you down, — Good for you you're not re-sid-ing

The third line of the verse concludes the melody. The piano accompaniment includes chords D G D, B7, and E7.