

Johnson Boys

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Johnson boys went a-courting
Reason why they didn't stay
The reason why they didn't stay
They had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way

Johnson boys went a-hunting
Took two dogs that went astray
The reason why they didn't stay
They had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way

Johnson boys left the Blue Ridge
Traveling in a Chevrolet
The reason why they didn't stay
They had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way

The Johnson boys come to New York
Have a big time and see the White Way
The reason why they didn't stay
They had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way
Had no money for to pay their way

Based on a performance by Al Hopkins and His Buckle Busters, recorded in New York on May 14th, 1927. Released as Brunswick 179.