

There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight

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Come along, get you ready Wear your bran', bran' new gown
For there's gwine to be a meeting In that good, good old town
Where you knowded everybody And they all knowded you
And you've got a rabbit's foot To keep away de hoo-doo. When you hear that the preaching does
begin
Bend down low for to drive away your sin
And when you gets religion, you want to shout and sing
There'll be a hot time in the old town tonight, My baby When you hear dem a bells go ding ling
ling
All join 'round and sweetly you must sing
And when the am through in the all join in
There'll be a hot time in the old town tonight. There'll be girls for ev'ry body: In that good, good
old town,
For there's Miss Consola Davis And there's Miss Gondolia Brown
And there's Miss Johanna Beasly She am dressed all in red,
I just hugged her and I kissed her And to me then she said:
Please oh please, oh do not let me fall,
You're all mine and I love you best of all,
And you must be my man, or I'll have no man at all,
There'll be a hot time in the old town tonight, My baby

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