

In the days of William Bonney better know as Bill the Kid  
A young cowboy named Joey Steele was bout to make his bid  
Well the heard one day that Bill thge Kid just rode into town  
And if he could take him he would be fastest gun around  
He was just a kid of seventeen but he had a lightin' hand  
And he said it's time I showed the world that I've become a man  
Everyone thinks Billy is the fastest gun around  
But they will know I'm faster when they see me shoot him down  
They finally came togehter down on Main Stret just at five  
The people were all gathered wonderin' who'd be left alive  
Billy knew that Joey wanted notches on his gun  
And he wished that he could give him those he'd carved upon his own  
Joey's hand went to his side he was sure that he had won  
But before he even fired he saw the smoke of Billy's gun  
And he felt the bullet hit him hard and before his eyes he saw  
His wasted life pass quickly ending with this fatal draw  
Billy breathed more easily and he put away his gun  
And he tried to ease his conscience for the wrong that he had done  
Then he saddled up his horse and headed westward out of town  
And he wondered just how long he'd be the fastest gun around