Worried Man Blues

Traditional

1. I went across the river, and I lay down to sleep; I
   Twenty-one links of chain a - round my leg;
   - I asked that judge, "Say what's gonna be my fine?"
2. That train pulled out, twenty-one coaches long. That
   went across the river, and I lay down to sleep; I
   Twenty-one links of chain a - round my leg;
   - I asked that judge, "Oh, What's gonna be my fine?"
3. train pulled out, twenty-one coaches long. That
   - I asked that judge, "What's gonna be my fine?"
   "Twenty-one
4. That train pulled out, twenty-one coaches long. That
   went across the river, and I lay down to sleep; When I woke
   Twenty-one links of chain a - round my leg, and on each
   - I asked that judge, "Twenty-one coaches long, and the woman I
   up I had shackles on my feet.
   link an in - it - tial of my name.
   years on the Rocky Mountain Line."
   love is on that train and gone.

Chorus

It takes a worried man to sing a worried song; it
takes a worried man to sing a worried song; I'm worried
now, but I won't be worried long.

Arr. and typeset in ABC by Pete Showman 11/16/15 (rev 2). Performances vary, e.g. Woody Guthrie, Stanley Brothers, Carter Family. These lyrics are mostly from Woody Guthrie, though he only repeated lines twice. Some singers begin with a chorus.