

# Can't You Line It?

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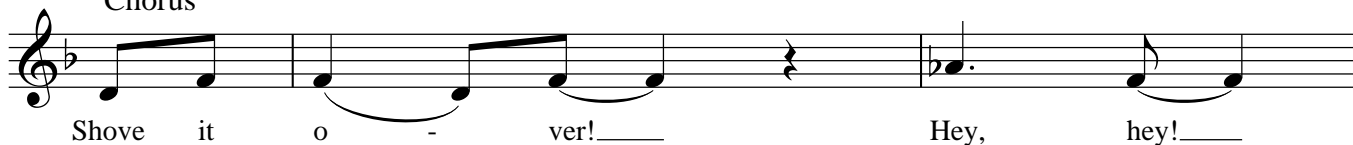
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Swung rhythm



When I get\_\_ in Il - li - nois, I'm gon - na spread the news a - bout the Flor i - da boys.

Chorus



Shove it o - ver!\_\_\_\_ Hey, hey!\_\_\_\_



Can't you line\_\_ it? A shack - a lack - a lack - a lack - a lack - a lack - a m!



Can't you move\_\_ it? Hey, hey! Can't you try?

Transcribed by Gail Needleman

2. Me and my buddy goin' cross the field  
I heard that train when it left Mobile.
3. I heard a mighty noise around the river bend  
Must be the Southern\* crossing the L&N.\*
4. A nickel's worth o' bacon and a dime's worth o' lard,  
I would buy more but the time's so hard.
5. Jack the Rabbit, Jack the Bear  
Two fast buddies on the run somewhere.

\* two railroads