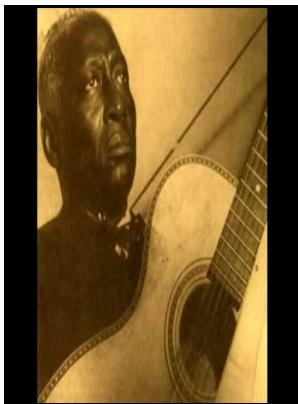


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Huddie Leadbetter. A biography.

The article attributes both of his pardons to his singing of his petitions to the governors, who were so moved that they pardoned him. The Life and Legend of Leadbelly was one title I remember reading about.

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Through Lomax, Seeger also met Woody Guthrie, with whom he played under many different circumstances. After their initial meeting in 1924, Neff came back several times and regularly brought guests to the prison on Sunday picnics to hear Ledbetter perform. Guilt ridden over her death he suspected it was he who had transmitted the disease , Huddie careened into a profound depression.

THE LIFE AND LEGEND OF LEADBELLY

It was in the Louisiana State Penitentiary in July 1933 that Huddie met folklorist John Lomax and his son Alan who were touring the south for the Library of Congress, collecting unwritten ballads and folk songs using the newly available recording technology. He was the toast of the town, a talented curiosity, but Leadbelly missed his wife, who he had married shortly after his release, and rankled under Lomax's cautious administration, frequently slipping off on drinking sprees. The books Blues: A Regional Experience by Eagle and LeBlanc and Encyclopedia of Louisiana Musicians by Tomko give January 23, 1888, while the Encyclopedia of the Blues gives January 20, 1888.

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His inclination toward violent resolution of conflicts, though mellowed, lead to him threatening Lomax with a knife which effectively ended their friendship. Not just readable, but an enjoyable read.

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