

Life On The RGS - Dave Milton

Drop D Tuning (optional)

Intro - D-Cadd9-G-D - Cadd9-G-D - F-C-G-D- Cadd9-G-D

D Cadd9 G D

In 1892 his first job came through

Cadd9 G D

Working on the Rio Grande Southern Railroad

Cadd9 G D

As the narrow gauge would go - from Ridgeway to Durango

Cadd9 G D

It moved freight up the rail to the silver mines

Cadd9 G D

With the crash of '93 - a brakeman he would be

Cadd9 G D

Learning every mile of railroad track

Cadd9 G D

Over trestles they would go - steep slopes and lots of snow

Cadd9 G D

The crew would never likely turn back

F G D-Cadd9

He lived his life on the RGS

D Cadd9 G D

Nothing could compare with running the rail there

Cadd9 G D

Across the San Juan Mountains of the west,,, F-C-G-D- Cadd9-G-D

D Cadd9 G D

Through snow slides floods and wrecks -they continued their perilous treks

Cadd9 G D

Moving livestock coal lumber and ore

Cadd9 G D
 Did all they could do - to keep the freight moving through

Cadd9 G D
 Kept the railroad in business another score

Cadd G D Cadd9 G D
 He became a fireman-working on the engine - Rode many a Goose along the rail

Cadd9 G D
 But automobiles and trucks - began to prevail

Cadd9 G D
 And soon the railroad was destined to fail

F G D-D-Cadd9

He lived his life on the RGS

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Nothing could compare with running the rail there

Cadd9 G D

Across the San Juan Mountains of the west,,,, F-C-G-D- Cadd9-G-D

Break - D-C-G-D-C-G-D ...D-C-G-D-C-G-D ... F-C-G-D-Cadd9-G-D

D Cadd9 G D

When he quit the line - he knew there wasn't much time

Cadd9 G D

And soon the railroad went bust

Cadd9 G D

But he always knew - life was best with his crew

Cadd9 G D

And he cherished the memories of his past

F G D-D-Cadd9

He lived his life on the RGS

D Cadd9 G D

Nothing could compare with running the rail there

Cadd9 G D
Across the San Juan Mountains of the west
 F Cadd9 G D
Oh....Nothing could compare with running the rail there
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F-C-G-D-Cadd9-G-D