

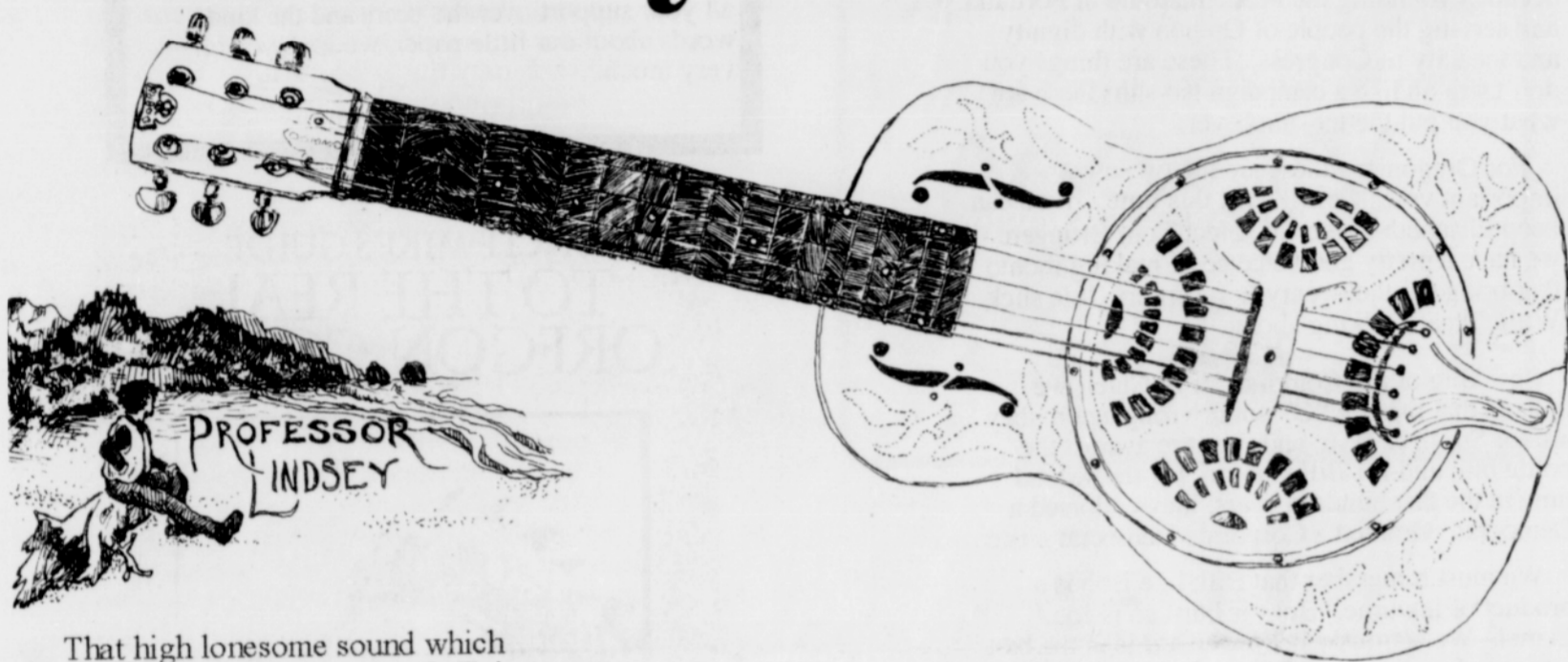
# UPPER LEFT EDGE

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“Come with me, leave your yesterdays, your yesterdays, behind, and take a giant step outside your mind.”

Taj Mahal



That high lonesome sound which characterizes ace guitar wizards Taj Mahal, Ry Cooder, Tut Taylor, Mike Auldridge, Sally Van Meter, and Jerry Douglas has long piqued my musical sensibilities and sent trills deep inside my craw. When Jerry Douglas lashes his fingers and "steel" across the strings of his Dobro guitar, the sweet Banshee wail lathers me into a musical ecstasy. Wheeeew! Sometimes I start to cry the way it carries me off.

"I'd like to do that!," I said to myself. "Maybe I could. I know how it sounds really well." Humph. Well...

Two years ago I purchased a Dobro guitar, the real thing, a resonator guitar developed initially by the Dopera Brothers back in the 1920's. Opening its case is like thrusting open the lid of a pirate's treasure chest. Inside is this glistening silver sculpture, bedizened with etched images and sheen. In its navel, beneath the steel strings, lies a round shape reminiscent of a '56 Oldsmobile "spinner" hubcap, the chromey resonator that makes it cry like a lost child.

From the first day I touched it, cosseted it in my lap and tried to make it speak, I have been transfixed. On days of extreme frustration, when I flail away at its strings to a cacophony of dissonant gawps and whines, I despair. I feel as if I've discovered a fledgling nightingale, fallen injured from its nest, that yearns to sing, but isn't able.

Sometimes I'll strike just one string, graze the steel along the vibrating wire and let it sigh. It seems disappointed in me, sad that I'm incapable of driving it to those long crescendoes and arpeggios of Bluegrass sound that are its life blood and raison d'etre.

We have a difficult relationship, my Dobro and I. I devote a quiet hour or so each evening to learning its ways.

The personal discipline this requires on my part is substantial, considering the scant reward. But I persevere, and will continue to do so, in perpetuity.

Once or twice, on those long dark nights when the wind sougls deep in the rain-blackened limbs of my spruce trees, it sings me a brief song of melancholy promise, and shames me for my lack of faith.

#### WHERE TO GET AN EDGE

**Cannon Beach:** Jupiter's Rare and Used Books, Osburn's Grocery, The Cookie Co., Coffee Cabaña, Bill's Tavern, Cannon Beach Book Co., Hane's Bakerie, The Bistro, Midtown Café, Once Upon a Breeze, Knoodlz, Copies & Fax, Heather's, The Homegrown Cafe, Haystack Video, Mariner Market, & Cleanline Surf

**Manzanita:** Mother's Nature Juice Bar, Bayside Gardens, Cassandra's, Manzanita News & Espresso, Pacific Coast Books & Coffee, & Nehalem Bay Video

**Nehalem:** Mermaid Cafe

**Rockaway:** Sharkey's

**Tillamook:** Rainy Day Books

**Pacific City:** The River House

**Oceanside:** Ocean Side Espresso

**Lincoln City:** Trillium Natural Foods, Driftwood Library, & Eats 'n' Stuff

**Newport:** Oceana Natural Foods, Don Petrie's Italian Food Co., Café DIVA, Cosmo Café, Bookmark Café, Newport Bay Coffee Co., Cuppatunes, Bay Latté, Ocean Pulse Surf Shop, Coastal Coffee Co., & Canyon Way

**Eugene:** Book Mark, Café Navarra, Eugene Public Library, Friendly St. Market, Happy Trails, Keystone Café, Kiva Foods, Lane C.C., Light For Music, New Frontier Market, Nineteenth Street Brew Pub, Oasis Market, Perry's, Red Barn Grocery, Sundance Natural Foods, U of O, & WOW Hall

**Corvallis:** Not Necessarily the News, & The Environmental Center

**Salem:** Heliotrope, Salem Library, & The Peace Store

**Astoria:** KMUN, Columbian Café, The Community Store, The Wet Dog Cafe & Café Uniontown

**Seaside:** Buck's Book Barn, Universal Video, & Cafe Espresso

**Portland:** Laughing Horse Bookstore, Act III, Barnes & Noble, Belmonts Inn, Bibelot Art Gallery, Bijou Café, Borders, Bridgeport Brew Pub, Capt'n Beans (two locations), Center for the Healing Light, Coffee People (three locations), Common Grounds Coffee, East Avenue Tavern, Food Front, Goose Hollow Inn, Hot Lips Pizza, Java Bay Café, Key Largo, La Patisserie, Lewis & Clark College, Locals Only, Marco's Pizza, Marylhurst College, Mt. Hood CC, Music Millenium, Nature's (two locations), NW Natural Gas, OHSU Medical School, Old Wives Tales, Ozone Records, Papa Haydn, PCC (four locations), PSU (two locations), Reed College, Third Eye, TransCentral Library, & YWCA

**The Dalles:** Klindts Bookseller

**Hood River:** Purple Rocks Art Bar & Cafe

**Ashland:** Garo's Java House, The Black Sheep, & Blue Mt. Cafe (Out of Oregon)

**Long Beach, WA:** Pacific Picnics

**Naselle, WA:** Rainy Day Artisty

**Nahcotta, WA:** Moby Dick Hotel

**Duvall, WA:** Duvall Books

**Bainbridge Island, WA:** Eagle Harbor Book Co.

**Seattle, WA:** Elliot Bay Book Co., Honey Bear Bakery, New Orleans Restaurant, Still Life in Fremont, Allegro Coffeehouse, The Last Exit Coffee House, & Bulldog News

**San Francisco, CA:** City Lights Bookstore

**Denver, Co:** Denver Folklore Center

**New York, NY:** The Strand Book Company

**Washington, D.C.:** Hotel Tabard Inn

#### CORRECTED FOR PACIFIC BEACH TIDES NOVEMBER - Low Tides

DATE	AM	PM		
time	ft	time	ft	
1 Fri	10:03	3:11	10:47	0.7
2 Sat	11:03	3:33	11:41	1.1
3 Sun			12:12	3.3
4 Mon	0:40	1:4	1:22	2.9
5 Tue	1:38	1:6	2:25	2.3
6 Wed	2:30	1:6	3:19	1.7
7 Thu	3:16	1:7	4:06	1.0
8 Fri	3:59	1:7	4:49	0.3
9 Sat	4:39	1:8	5:29	-0.2
10 Sun	5:18	2:0	6:08	-0.6
11 Mon	5:57	2:1	6:48	-0.9
12 Tue	6:38	2:3	7:28	-1.0
13 Wed	7:21	2:5	8:11	-1.0
14 Thu	8:07	2:6	8:56	-0.8
15 Fri	9:00	2:8	9:46	-0.4
16 Sat	10:01	2:9	10:42	0.0
17 Sun	11:12	2:9	11:44	0.5
18 Mon			12:29	2.5
19 Tue	0:49	0:9	1:44	1.9
20 Wed	1:51	1:2	2:51	1.1
21 Thu	2:48	1:4	3:49	0.3
22 Fri	3:41	1:6	4:40	-0.4
23 Sat	4:29	1:8	5:27	-0.8
24 Sun	5:15	2:1	6:11	-1.0
25 Mon	5:59	2:3	6:53	-1.0
26 Tue	6:42	2:6	7:32	-0.8
27 Wed	7:24	2:8	8:10	0.5
28 Thu	8:05	3:0	8:47	-0.1
29 Fri	8:48	3:2	9:23	0.3
30 Sat	9:35	3:4	10:02	0.8

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1 Fri	4:36	6:9	3:34	7.3
2 Sat	5:31	6:7	4:31	6.8
3 Sun	6:28	6:8	5:44	6.5
4 Mon	7:22	7:0	7:02	6.3
5 Tue	8:11	7:4	8:12	6.5
6 Wed	8:54	7:8	9:12	6.7
7 Thu	9:32	8:6	10:05	7.0
8 Fri	10:07	8:6	10:53	7.3
9 Sat	10:41	8:9	11:39	7.5
10 Sun	11:14	9:2		
11 Mon	0:24	7:6		
12 Tue	1:09	7:7		
13 Wed	1:55	7:7	12:26	9.4
14 Thu	2:43	7:6	1:06	9.4
15 Fri	3:34	7:6	1:50	9.2
16 Sat	4:28	7:6	2:40	8.8
17 Sun	5:27	7:6	3:39	8.2
18 Mon	6:28	7:9	4:51	7.6
19 Tue	7:26	8:3	6:14	7.2
20 Wed	8:19	8:8	7:36	7.1
21 Thu	9:08	9:2	8:48	7.2
22 Fri	9:52	9:5	9:51	7.6
23 Sat	10:34	9:7	10:47	7.7
24 Sun	11:13	9:7		
25 Mon	0:26	7:9		
26 Tue	1:11	9:5		
27 Wed	1:55	7:9	12:28	9.3
28 Thu	2:37	7:7	1:04	9.0
29 Fri	3:19	7:6	1:40	8.6
30 Sat	4:01	7:5	2:18	8.2

## BASEBALL

Yogi said, "it's not over til it's over." Well, it's over and Yogi's beloved Yankees won the World Series, again. And the Cubs didn't make it to the post season, again. Things seem to have gotten back to normal in baseball, so we again wait til next year, with that hope that springs eternal within the human breast. Go Cubbies!!!



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