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Just A Bird's-Eye View
(Of My Old Kentucky Home)
Fox-Trot Song

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Allo Modto

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p I saw a lot of lit - tle birds to-day, Get - ting set to fly a - way,
Imgon-na get my-self an aer - o-plane, Just so I can fly a - way,
Fly a-way and stay a-way down south. Wish I were a lit-tle
Fly a-way and stay a-way down south. Bring a-long my lit-tle
bird-ie, too, Just to have a lit - tle birds-eye view Of a place I knew a-way down
Ko-dak, too, Just to take some old time scenes I knew I will get some view a-way down
south. south. *Chorus* *pf* What I'd do for a bird's eye view of a place I knew where the
sun flower grew Just a bird's-eye view of my old Ken-tuck-y home.
What I'd do for a pos-tal card Or a pic-ture card of the old back yard And the gold-en rod in my
old Ken-tuck-y home Some-where a voice is call-ing And
there's where Imgon-na roam. The birds are glad 'cause they
have some view, But I'll be sad till I get one too Just a bird's eye view of my old Ken-tuck-y
home. home. Patter Chorus over

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The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The melody is characterized by a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together, giving it a 'patter' quality. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words underlined to indicate phrasing. The score consists of eight lines of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics. The lyrics tell a story of a person who wishes they could fly or roll away to escape their current situation, but ultimately decides to stay and enjoy their 'bird's-eye view' of their old Kentucky home.

If my heart had wings I'd fly a-way, Fly a-way to-day, If my
feet were wheels I'd roll a-way, Roll a-way to stay, But I've
got no wings and my feet aint wheels And my shoes aint all O. K. Oh, I've
got no tick-et and the walk-in's wick-ed, But I've got to get back some way, I know that
Sor-row will fade to-mor-row 'Cause
down where I'm gon-na roam In an
aer-o-plane I would glad-ly go In a par-a-chute I would drop be-low For a
bird's-eye view of my old Ken-tuck-y home

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