



# Chattanooga's Railroad and the Developing State of Tennessee

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# HSP Takes on Chattanooga



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# Chattanooga Choo Choo



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by Glenn Miller

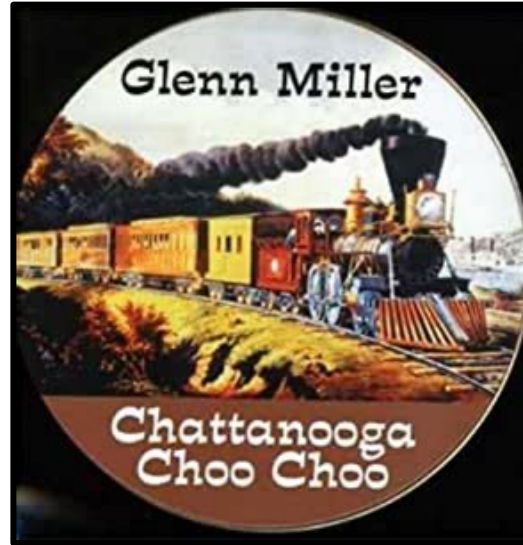
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Is that the Chattanooga choo choo?  
Track twenty-nine  
Boy, you can gimme a shine

I can afford  
To board a Chattanooga choo choo  
I've got my fare  
And just a trifle to spare

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- "Chattanooga Choo Choo" by Glenn Miller
- Written about the railroad, for the railroad
- Great impact to be revealed

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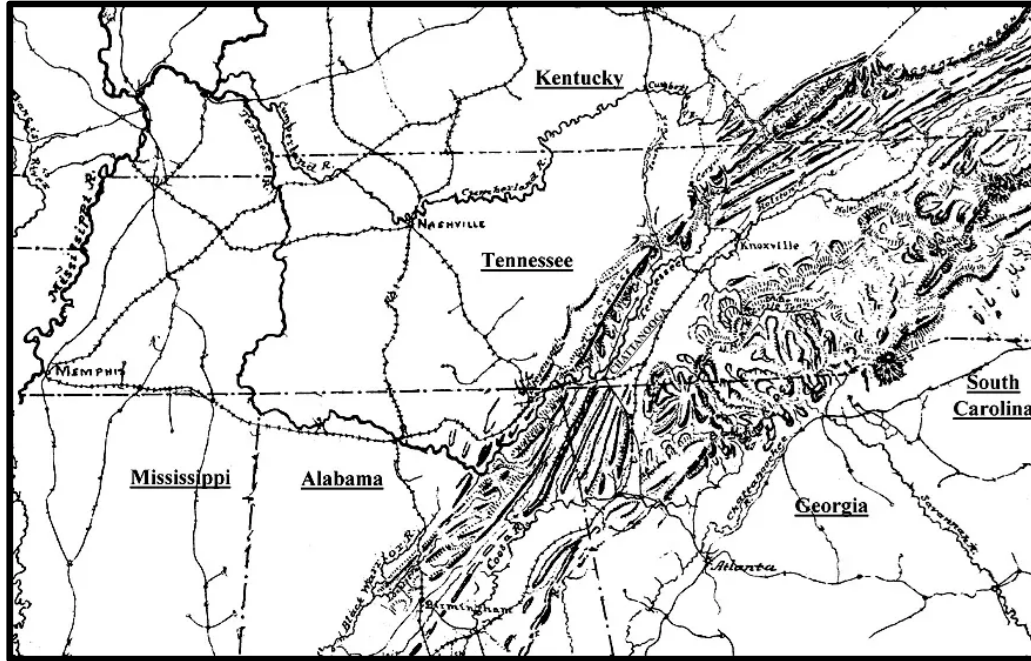
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# Significance of Railroad in Chattanooga



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Verse 2

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'bout a quarter to four  
Read a magazine and then you're in Baltimore

Dinner in the diner  
Nothing could be finer  
Than to have your ham an' eggs in Carolina

# *Why Chattanooga?*

- State-connecting railway
- “Gateway of the South”



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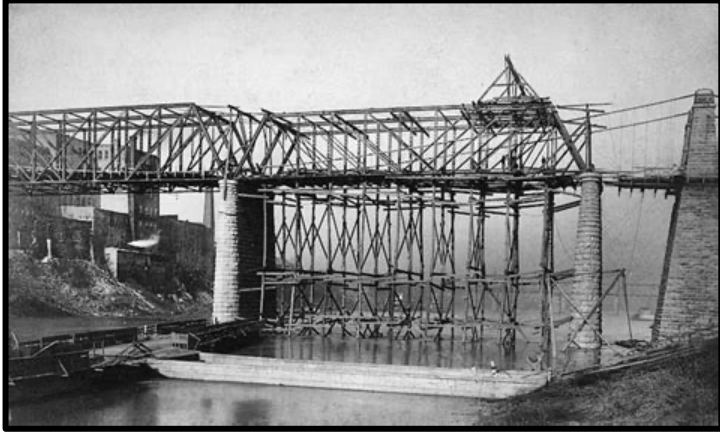
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# *Construction Process*



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-Ended in 1854

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# *Railroad in Action*



- Connected cities across the country
- Cars for everyone
- Enjoyed by many



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# Civil War & the Railroad



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When you hear the whistle blowin' eight to the bar  
Then you know that Tennessee is not very far

Shovel all the coal in  
Gotta keep it rollin'  
Woo, woo, Chattanooga there you are

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- Chattanooga was a strategic location
- Trains hauled Union supplies and soldiers
- Railways were damaged by Confederates
- Stations were meeting places for speeches

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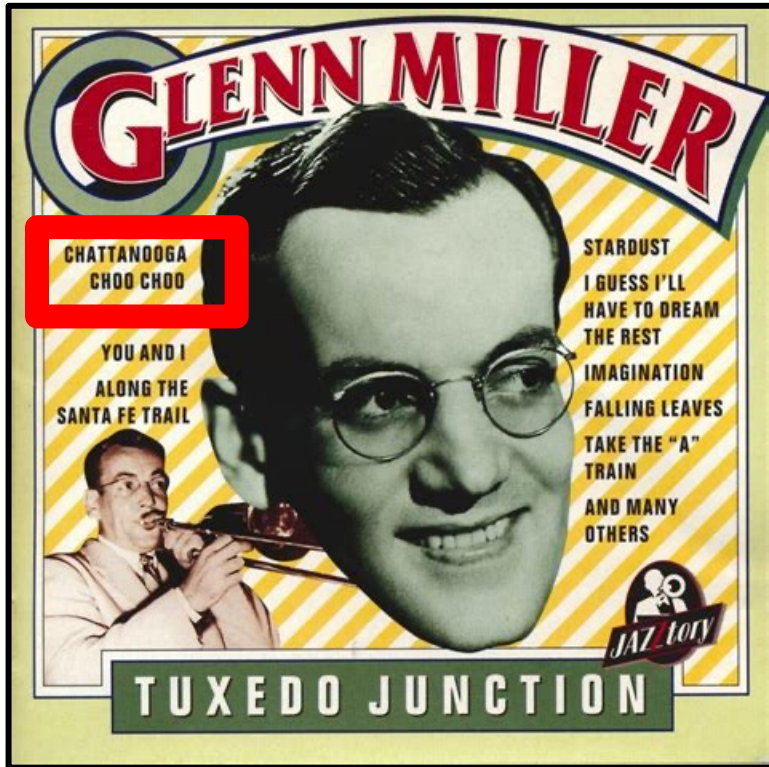
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Verse 4

There's gonna be  
A certain party at the station  
Satin and lace  
I used to call "funny face"  
She's gonna cry  
Until I tell her that I'll never roam

So Chattanooga choo choo  
Won't you choo-choo me home?  
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# Back to the song...



- One of the first restoration processes in the U.S.
- Brought glamor back to railroad
- Used as leverage to combat closing

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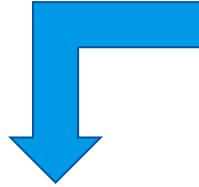
# Keeping History Alive



-National Historic Registry

-Terminal saved

-Visit Chattanooga Choo Choo Gardens today!



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# Questions?

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