Appendix 2a: “Principal’s Office”
(Transcribed by musical grouping rather than by grouping of couplets)  
Couplet # referred to in text:

(Now -)

x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x
as I get to school I hear the late - bell - ringing - Run 1.1

- ning thru the hall I hear the glee - club - singing - - 1.2

Get - to the of fice I can hardly - speak - Cause its the

3rd - late - pass - that I got this - week - - So - 1.4

to my first - class - I run - and don’t - walk - All I 1.5

hear is my snea - kers and the scratching of chalk - and when I 1.6

get to the room - I hear the tea - cher say - - Mis ter 1.7

YoungI’m hap py that - you could join us to day - - I try 1.8
- to sit down - so I can take some notes - But I

can’t read what the kid next to me wrote - And if that wasn’t enough to make my morning complete - As I
try to get up - I find there’s gum on my seat - And with the
seat stuck to me - I raise my hand - and say excuse me but can I go to the bathroom - ma’am? - The tea
cher got up set and she screamed out - No! - It’s -
off to the principal’s office - face you - go -
12 o'clock comes with mass hysteria.

Everybody rushes down to the cafe te ria.

Pick up my tray to have Thursday’s lunch and when I

tried the apple sauce I heard it crunch I’m

running up the stairs with a front tooth broken The

nurse just laughed and said “You must be joking!” I

looked up at her with a smile on my face No

joke cuz my front tooth is out of place So I
walk thru school with ice on my lip A nur

ses late pass like a gun on my hip My books

are real heavy I walk and I'm draggin' it

No school lunch next week I'm brown baggin' it

For get class I'm a shoot some ball With the

late pass I got no trouble at all But then the

nurse walks up and says What do you know It's

off to the principal's office you go
Pas - sin’ notes - is my fav - rit pas - - time -

- I can’t - wait to find a girl - to pass - - mine -

to - - - - - To ex press - my fee - ling - -

Give me - a o o and the girl will be - dealing - Now

one - young - la dy - was looking at me - I said hi

my name is Mar vin known as Young M - C - - But then

- the bell - rang - and the teacher came in - - And that’s

- when - the game of pas sin’ notes would be gin - - I wrote
the first note told her she was fine And I

hoped that the two of us could spend some time She wrote

me back and told me You're fine too I'd love

to go'n a date and spend some time with you So then I

sat there reeling and looking at the ceiling Words

can't express the way that I was feeling Then I

thought to myself the sure way to get her is to

write another note oh yes a love letter When I
finished the note - it was ready to pass - The teacher

took it - and read it right in front of the class - She read it

word - by - word - and line - by - line - and every

bod y who was laughing was a friend of mine - - Even

- my girl was laughing - it was - too late - No need to

write a no ther note cause there would be no - date - The teacher

looked - at me - and I said - - I - know - - It's

off - to the prin ci pal’s of - fice I - go - - -