

# BALLAD OF JED CLAMPETT

words & music by Paul Henning (1962)

**Key:** C     **Start note:** G     **Time:** 4/4     **Strum:** D\_ du D\_ du

**Intro:** C /// C //

                 C                                  G7  
1. Come and listen to my story 'bout a man named Jed

   C  
Poor Mountaineer, barely kept his family fed

                 C7                                  F  
Then one day he was shootin' at some food

         G7    C  
And up through the ground came a bubbling crude

(Oil, that is, black gold, Texas tea,) (spoken)

   G7  
2. First thing you know, old Jed's a millionaire

   C  
Kin folk said, Jed, Move away from there

                 C7                                  F  
Said that California was the place he ought to be

         G7    C  
So he loaded up the truck and they moved to Beverly

(Hills, that is, swimming pools and movie stars) (spoken)

                 C    G7  
3. Well, now it's time to say goodbye to Jed and all his kin.

   C  
They would like to thank you folks for kindly dropping in.

                 C7                                  F  
You're all invited back again to this locality

         G7    C  
To have a heaping helping of their hospitality

(Beverly Hillbillies, that's what they call 'em now

Nice folks, Y'all come back now, ya hear?) (spoken)

C↓ arpeggio