

## Rocks Database

Dominance of US and UK music. Most influential + represented

pop music - commercialized folk music

Distinction b/w pop + popular:

popular - broader. 'unpopular popular music'

pop - make money + commercialized, marketed

## Pre 1945 Forms

- Anglo-American folk ballads
- delta blues
- Tin Pan Alley pop
- early country
- R + B - rhythm + blues

## Blind Alfred Reed - The Wreck of the Virginian

- telling a story w a lot of detail.
- fixed rhythm, fiddle goes with words. simple tune
- music exists to carry words which carries the stories

Useful for:

- communicating / preserving history.
- Also part of history - telling it through a perspective

## 2 meanings of ballad

pop ballad: sappy love tune

Anglo-American: language. 16<sup>th</sup> century. Poetic form.

- Importance of voice (speaking voice not singing)

Formal Structure: music is a form of time. sections are grouped together

Strophic form: AAA