

Intro: [G] [G] [A] [A] [C] [C] [D] [D]

I [D] went to a party at the local county [G] jail
 All the [D] cons were dancing and the men began to [G] wail
 But the [A] guys were indiscrete... they were [G !] brawling in the [G !] street
 At the [D] local dance at the [A] local county [D] jail [A UDUDUDUD]

Well the [D] band were playing and the booze began to [G] flow
 But the [D] sound came over on the police car radi-[G]o
 Down at [A] Precinct 49... having a [G !] tear gas of a [G !] time
 Sergeant [D]Baker got a call from the [A]governor of the County [D]Jail [AUDUDUDUD]

Load [Bm] up load up load up your [A] ru-u-ubber [G] bullets
 Load [Bm] up load up load up your [A] ru-u-ubber [G] bullets
 I love to [Em] hear those convicts [A] squeal
 It's a [Em] shame these slugs ain't [A] real
 But we [D] can't have dancing at the [A] local county [D] jail [AUDUDUDUD]

Sergeant [D] Baker and his men made a beeline for the [G] jail
 And for [D] miles around you could hear the sirens [G] wail
 There's a [A] rumour going down death row.. that a [G !] fuse is going to [G !] blow
 At the [D] local hop at the [A] local county [D] jail
 What you gonna do about it what you gonna do? [Eb !]
 [E] What you gonna do about it what you gonna do? [G] [G] [A] [A] [C] [C] [D] [D]

Sergeant [D !] Baker started [D !] talking with a [D !] bullhorn in his [D !] hand
 [D !] (bullhorn in his [D !] hand), [D !] (bullhorn in his [D !] hand),
 He was [Dm !] cool he was [Dm !] clear he was
 He was [Dm !] always in [Dm !] command
 [Dm !] (always in [Dm !] command), [Dm !] (always in [Dm !] command)
 He said [G] blood... will [G] flow.... [Em] here pa-[F#m] -dre....
 [Em] Padre you [F#m] talk to your [G] boys...
 [G] Trust.... in [A] me...
 [D !] God [A !] will [D !] come [Bb !] to [Em !] set [A !] you [C] free [A]

Well we [D] don't understand why he called in the National [G] Guard
 (the National Guard, the National Guard)
 When Uncle [D] Sam is the one who belongs in the exercise [G] yard
 (the exercise yard, the exercise yard)
 We [A] all got balls and brains... but [G !] some's got balls and [G !] chains
 At the [D] local dance at the [A] local county [D] jail [AUDUDUDUD]

Load [Bm] up load up load up your [A] ru-u-ubber [G] bullets
 Load [Bm] up load up load up your [A] ru-u-ubber [G] bullets
 I love to [Em] hear those convicts [A] squeal
 It's a [Em] shame these slugs ain't [A] real
 At the [D] local dance at the [A] local county [D] jail
 At the local dance at the [A] local county [D] jail

What you gonna do about it what you gonna do ? [Eb !]
 [E] What you gonna do about it
 what you gonna do? [G] [G] [A] [A] [C] [C] [D] [D] [G !]