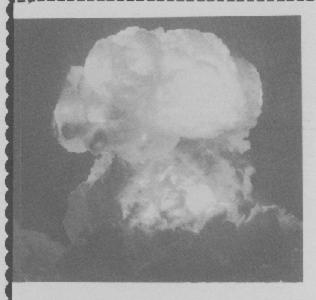
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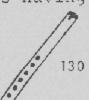
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Yes, you get an actual family in the mail. Once a month you get a letter without fail. With a picture of how they're doing, And a plea for help each time But the best part is you never send a dime!

CHORUS For it's time for anew beginning and we're beginning to see the light Yes, no wonder folks are grinning and no wonder hearts are light. You get the same heartwarming feeling of denying a dog his bone, With a truly needy family of your own!

You got more than a new Cold War when you cast that vote. You got a chance to grab some poor folks by the throat. Now it feels like a million dollars to take some ghetto kid and say "Yes, you had a chance but I'm taking that chance sway".

#### CHORUS

You get lists of all the help they used to get. You can hear the old folks cough on a tape cassette. You can hear the rats all squealing as they scurry across the floor And the sounds of a street gang battering down the door.

It all comes in a plain brown wrapper to your address. Please regard it as a tribute to your success. You will follow your needy family as they suffer every blow, And if they lose their home you'll be the first to know.

We have all been told that life can be unfair. And now once a month, Hey, Presto! You are there! For success alone is not enough to make a life complete, It's seeing the other guy fail that makes it all so sweet!

#### What if?













All my money's in a blind trust. That is to say, I don't care how I make it, just so long as I make it.

#### POLITICS AND POLKAS

#### By Oscar Brand

A reporter once quoted Joan Bacz as saying, "There are no conservative folksongs." When I met her a few weeks later, Joan denied it, so I never had a chance to convince her that she was wrong. I've carried the unused argument around until now.

There are plenty of conservative songs because there are plenty of conservatives. There are anti-union songs, anti-semitic songs, Jim Crow songs, pro-war songs, anti-immigration songs, even pro-blacklist songs. This country is rich in everything, including bigotry:

The ships they will be coming here With foreigners in loads All with their picks and shovels To work the railroads. And when they start to settle in 'Tis then we shall be fixed. They'll fight us for our jobs With all their eudgels and bricks.

One of our richest midden-heaps is the mound of political campaign songs that surpasses anything produced anywhere else in the world. In every town and village, in every metropolis, every election produces reams of lyrics, usually "to the tune of" a well-known melody. For instance, thousands of campaign slugans were set to the tune of "Anacreon in Heaven," until, as "The Star Spangled Banner," it became our national anthem (in 1932). "Yankee Doodle" may hold the record for the most political songs borne by a single melody, but "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" is catching up. In fact, it was a political favorite before it was "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Why are we so rich in campaign songs? I believe it's because no other country pays as little attention to principles and as much to personalities. When Hugh Carey ran for Governor of New York, no one hummed anything about capital punishment or capital improvements; they sang, "It had to be Hugh." When Abe Beame ran for the Mayor's office in New York City, nobody mentioned the subways, or crime in New York City, nobody mentioned the subways, or crime in The popular song of the day is the vehicle for campaign lyrics, and the USA is the richest country in the world in its wealth of popular songs.

In the early days, the traditional British song predominated, and there were plenty of stirring Scottish reels around. "Alistair MacAllistair" became:

No lordlings here with gorging jaws Shall wring from industry the food No bigots with their holy laws Ley waste our fields and farms in blood.

Rejoice, Columbia's sons, rejoice, To tyrants never bend the knee, But join with heart, with soul, with voice, For Jefferson and Liberty.

Later, indigenous American songs provided the melodies.
"Old Dan Tueker" was one of the favorites:

He met them on the Rio Grandy, Played them Yankee Doodle Dandy, And when brave Taylor crossed the line, He made them snort like a steam enjine.

Rumadumdum, vote for Taylor, Rumadumdum, son of Freedom, Rumadumdum, vote for Taylor, He's the one can skin and best 'em.

The ministrels paraded across the country, leaving behind thousands of new tunes. "Jimmy Crack Corn" became Buchan-an's

Johnny's the man, and we all care, Johnny's the man, and we all care, Johnny's the man, and we all care, We like old Brockenridge too.

The Civil War provided the hustings with hundrods of great songs. Someone, it might have been I, said, "It was worth fighting the war for the songs alone." "The Year of Jubilo," "Hold the Fort," "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp" (The Libby Prison Song) and "The Battle Cry of Freedom" have enlivened every

campaign since the War Botween the States. There were some songs that didn't last. This calumny couldn't stand up to Lincoln's apotheosis:

You may tell us of the cordwood that he chops most every day,

Tell us how he seeks his closet every night to kneel and pray.

Tell us any lie you want to, in every kind of mixture. But we pray you, how we pray you, please don't show us his picture.

Vaudeville and early musical shows contributed a garland of songs. "Captain Jinks" became a scurrilous attack on U.S. Grant:

I am captain Grant of the Black Marines, The stupidest man that e'er was seen, I make no speech that's what I mean, But I cut a swell in the Army.



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This land is your band, this fund is my land From the Colored to the State soland, someth, so the Giff when waters, both God, blessed america for me.

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I reamed and rambled, and followed my feetaters. I the sparkling ands of her diamond deserts. and all around me, a rose was sounding:

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All a by high were that lived to stop me.

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But on the back order it didn't very nothing ight blood contract for me.

When the own court shining, then I was strolling on wheat fields varing, and dust clouds rolling, the voice was charling as the for use Efling:

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"all you can write is what you see.

out the county

Courtesy Woody Guthrie Publications

red W In 1879 the compic opera "Pinafore" took the fancy of the general public and the campaign songsters as well. General Winfield Scott, one of our most respected military heroes, had never been out of uniform, so James Garfield's supporters serenaded him with:

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Where Uncle Sam sends many a fool.

I polished up my buttons and I swept my room,
For which I was rewarded with a Democratic boom.

I polished up my speeches so carefully,
That now I am the leader of the Democracee.

So soldiers all, let politics be

And you all may be the leaders of the Democracee.

The American musical continues to supply tunes for the candidates. From "My Fair Lady" came:

I'm going down to vote this morning, Ding, dong, the bells are going to chime. Let's all be clever, pull down the lever, Adlai's going to win this time.

When I was a lad I went to school,

"Best Food Forward" had a great march for the small-town college, known as "Winsockie." So did the 1968 Republican convention:

Buckle down with Nixon, buckle down.

You can win with Nixon if you'll buckle down-

You can fight to win, take it on the chin,

You can win with Nixon but you'll have to buckle down-And of course, there was "I Like Ike" ("Call Me Madam"), "Tm Just Wild About Harry" ("Shuffle Along"), "Hello Lyndon" ("Dolly"), etc. There have been Reggae and Calypso tunes:

I was born in the USA, Because of my color I'm suffering today. White man preaches democracy, But in truth and in fact it's hypocrisy. We want Martin Luther King for president, We want Martin Luther King for president, We want Martin Luther King for president, Join together and sing it out, When Kennedy finish, without a doubt, We want Martin Luther King for president.

Today there are Beatles' songs. Remember "Yellow Submarine"?

We'll all vote for Anderson today, Anderson today, Anderson today, We'll all vote for Anderson today, And put him in Washington, DC.

And there are country music songs. Carter's "Why Not the Best?" was a fine example of the type, but let's not forget this gem, borrowed from the "Sons of the Piencers":

For years we faced a barren waste. We had no fiscal order.
Now vote, now vote Goldwater.
Oh, the Democrats are backs,
They will always show their backs,
The're too chicken for attacks,
And they never counteract red slaughter,
Vote, Goldwater.

And always, side by side with the new creations, are the old songs that have been used since the earliest days of the Republic. We are the richest country on earth—at least, we are when it comes to campaign songs. I haven't heard many real rock-and-roll campaigners yet, but I'll bet there are plenty around and many, many more to come.

There is one song that's used lately by all parties to prove their "patriotism." Woody Guthrie would have squirmed to hear "This Land is Your Land" sung by the establishment choruses. After all, he wrote it as a revolutionary anthem. But the popular version makes no reference to "private property," leaving a pristine patriotic air. When George McGovern ran for the presidency I asked him why he was using "This Land" for his theme. He said ruefully, "It wasn't my idea. When I was nominated, Teddy Kennedy walked over to the band leader and told him to play the damned thing every time I appeared!"

#### This Land Is Your Land



#### This Land Is Their Land

This land is their land. It is not our land.

From their plush apartments to their Cadillac
our land;

From their Wall Street office to their Hollywood starland.

This land is not for you and me.

As I was walking that endless breadline, My landlord gave me a one-work deadline, And Labor Action ran a better headline, "This land is not for you and me."

So take your slogan and kindly stow it, If this is our land you'd never know it. Let's join together and overthrow it, This land is not for you and me.

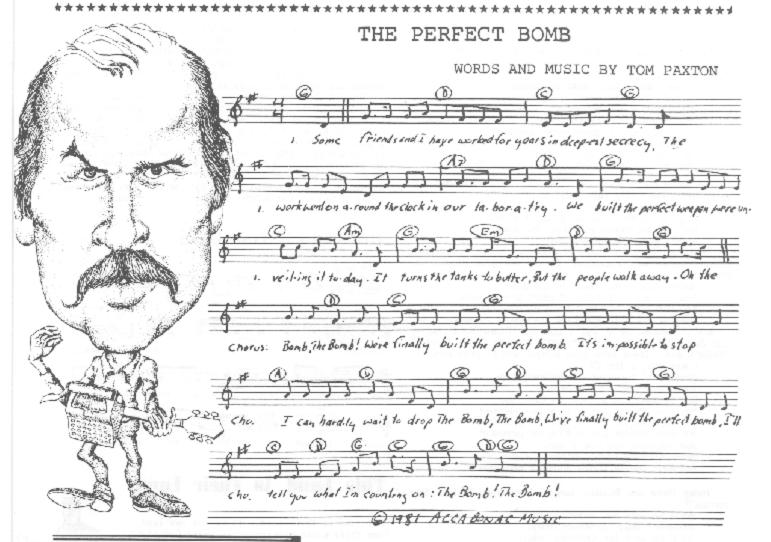


Oscar Brand is one of America's best Folk performers. He is curator of the Songwriter's Hall of Fame museum, author of ten best selling books and manuals of music, has recorded 80 LP's, written songs for such films as "The Fox," and for Ella Fitzgerald, Joan Baez, Harry Belafonte, The Smothers Brothers and many others. He was for four years the host of Procter and Gamble's Canadian series "Let's Sing Out," host and co-producer of NET's "American Odssey," and was a member of the panel which created "Sesame Street." He was music director of NBC-TV's "Exploring," "American Treasurer Chest," "Sunday," and "The First Look," and collected the Peabody, Ohio State, Edison and Emmy Awards. In his long association with the National Public Radio Network he has been host of "Voices In The Wind," arts interviewer for "Morning Edition," and co-host of "The Sunday Show."



My motto is:

Vote Early and Vote Often.



#### THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

(To the tune of Bob Hope's theme song)

#### By Fred Horne Jr.

Thanks for the memories that secret little war The one we won't ignore In hicaragus, Guatemala, and El Salvador We thank you, so much

Thanks for the memories
Of deficits gone wild
For every hungry child
Who fell right through your safety net
and new they're out of style
We thank you, so much

#### (bridge)

We thank you for James Watt and Ann Burford For the Carter briefing papers that were differed For Lebanon and Grenada, now thrilling for our side But not so thrilling for the boys that had to die

Thanks for the memories
The Pershing and the Cruise
You resity lit the fixe
When the world is blown to Kingdom come
I guess you'll take a snoze
We thank you, so much

Some friends and I have worked for years in deepest secrecy.
 The work went on around the clock in our laborating.
 We built the perfect weapon we're unvieling it today.
 It turns the tanks to butter but the people walk away.

#### CHORUS

Oh, The Bomb! The Bomb! We've finally built the perfect bomb It's impossible to stop, I can Hardly wait to drop The Bomb! The Bomb! We've finally built thr perfect bomb I'll tell you what I'm counting on: The Bomb! The Bomb!

- 2. The blast extends for miles and it doesn't harm a soul But every missle warhead turns into a lump of coal The guns all turn to licorise, the knives all break in two The grenades are filled with flowers colored red, white, and blue
- 3. The wonders of this perfect bomb are very strange to tell It doesn't merely change the guns, it changes hearts as well An instant of exposure to its penetrating ray Will turn a Yassir Arafat into a Danny Kaye
- 4. But perhaps its greatest feature and its happiest surprise Is the way our perfect weapon searches out the meanest lies It captures them complete and before the bomb is through Every word a politician says is absolutely true!

One of "two scandalous songs" printed by John Peter Zonger in the New York Weekly Journal, for which Zenger was tried for treason-and acquitted. While we all learned from our third-grade teachers that the Zenger trial is one of the foundations of freedom of the press in America, we weren't told that at the time of the trial, 1734. New Yorkers had slaves!

#### A Song Made Upon the Foregoing Occasion



Our Country's Rights we will defend, Like brave and honest men; We voted right and there's an end, And so we'll do again. We vote all signers out of place, As men who did amiss, Who sold us by a false address, I'm sure we're right in this.

#### THAT ACTOR IN THE WHITE HOUSE

Words by Linda Hirschorn

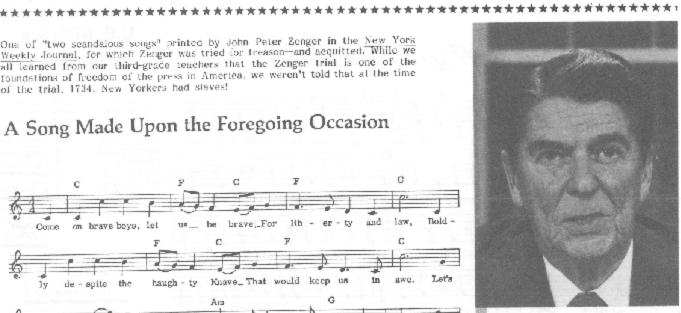
(To the tune of "The Yellow Rose in Texas"

1. That actor in the White House must think that we are fools He has a plan with taxes, to help the private schools. So, public education will soon be out of sight, And our democratic way of life will be in one sad plight.

#### CHORUS

Save our public education, and make it fine for all; Provide full program funding, and heed its every call. For the equal opportunity the public schools must give So American democracy will have a chance to live.

- "Tax credits for tuition" is what they call his scheme. Just like all his programs it feeds the rich the cream. The private schools will teach just those they carefully select, While public schools would have the ones the private schools reject.
- We've got to write our congressman and tell them that we see Tax credits for tuition as a great calamity. If we don't tell our legislators quickly, what to do. Our public education system will be gone from view.



"Grenada . . . was a Soviet-Cuban colony being readied as a major military bastion to export terror and undermine democracy. We got there just in time."

-President Reagan

#### BREAD AND CIRCUSES

Tune: "Where Have All The Flowers Gone? (By Pete Seeger) Words: Norman Ross

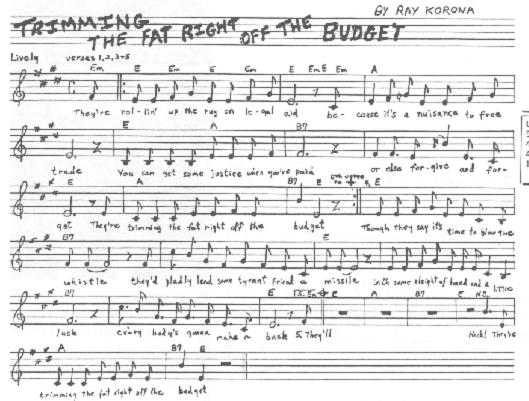
> Where have all the winners gone, long time passing? Election Day has come and gone, long time ago. Where have all the winners gone? They're all elected, every one. When will we ever learn, when will we ever learn?

Where have all the losers gone, long time passing? Election Day has come and gone, long time ago. Where have all the losers gone? They're all appointed every one. When will we ever learn, when will we ever learn?

Where have all the promises gone, long time passing? Election Day has come and gone, long time ago. Where have all the promises gone? They're all forgotten every one. When will we ever learn, when will we ever learn?

Where have all the lead-men gone, long time passing? Election Day has come and gone, long time ago. Where have all the lead-men gone? They're back on Madison Avenue. When will we ever learn, when will we ever learn?

Where have all the voters gone, long time passing? Election Day has come and gone, long time ago. Where have all the voters gone? They're waiting for the Super Bowl. When will we ever learn, when will we ever learn?



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They're rollin' up the rug on legal aid Because it's a nuisance to free trade You can get some justice when you've paid Or else, forgive and forget They're trimming the fat right off the budget

Rather than support another crank Funds for student loans will buy a tank If they're needy let them see a bank Free enterprise thrives on debt They're trimming the fat right off the budget

Artists won't need hand-outs if they try Painting things that people want to buy Like cowboy heroes, planes up in the sky, A lifelike sketch of your pet They're trimming the fat right off the budget

Though they say it's time to blow the whistle They'd gladly lend a tyrant friend a missile With some sleight of hand and a little lack Everybody's gonna make a buck

They'll take back all the food from the poor Let them buy their school lunch at the store Use the savings in El Salvador To buy a marionette They're trimming the fat right off the budget

Heck! They're trimming you and me

right off the budget

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IF YOU WANT TO BE PRESIDENT
(shortened version)

tune: If You Want to be Married.... words: Tuli Kupferberg

(signed) (rate Citoyen

If you want to be president a very long while Be sure you invade a very small isle. For if it is tiny and its soldiers are few

They'll never make a fool out of you. You may kill with impunity, kill for a lark

If the color of your victims is rather dark. And all of the Americans will love you too. If the total dead Americans is rather few.

But when the number mounts up, as it did in Vietnam, Then you could be in a bad political jam.

So invade a tiny island, where the soldiers are maive And leave Nicaragua to the merceneries.

And always kill people for their own good. Ban meetings, censor papers, for Libertyhood.

Postpone the elections that you said you sought. For what if the results are not what they ought?

Protect all Americans, kill a lesser breed.

It's the black man's burden, it's your bloodlust that you feed.

Old soldiers never die, they only kill-

And movie stars with general's bars, they fill the corporate till-

O someone else's suffering is int'resting to sec. You can watch it very night on CBS or NBC.

The we can only have one nuclear war, Well, 1-2-3 Vietnams, we can have even more!

So if you want to stay president a very long while Be sure you invade a tiny, tiny isle.

For if it is small enough and its soldiers very few It can never make a fool out of you....

(I think)

### The Same Words and music by Ray Glaser and Bill Wolff Merry-Go-Round

In 1948 two former vice presidents took to the hustings hoping to defeat the seemingly unbeatable Thomas E. Dewey. The incumbent was Harry S. Truman; the challenger, Henry Wallace. Wallace supporters insisted that there was little choice between the Democrats and the Republicans, and that what the country needed was a third party. The third party in 1948 was the Progressive Party, wellace headed the ticket and Glenn Taylor of Idaho was his running mate. The party attracted wide support from the liberal and progressive elements of the country, including many leading songwriters of the day. On the basis of the popular vote, Wallace lost with 2.4%. However, he clearly had the best songs.

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The Elepannt comes from the North, The Dinkey may come from the South; If you I love you'll find ". The Donkey's behind -But 1889 got the since bit in their mouth! (CMCRUS)

If you want to end up safe and sound, Cel offs the Merry-go-round; To be a real smarty just join the Third Party And get your two feet on the ground! ICHORUS... 'Cause it's the same . . . .!



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#### THE GIVEAWAY BOYS IN WASHINGTON by Joe Glazer



#### DON'T WAKE THE PRESIDENT UP

by Joe Ames

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The giveaway boys in Washington. Are busy as can be: They're giving away the U.S.A. To provate industry. hey're gonne take the public lands They're genne take the public lands.
And brother, they're not done.
The giveaway boys, the giveaway boys.
Way down in Washington.
They're the giveaway boys, the giveaway boss.
Way down in Washington. The U.S A. is getting smaller

Every single day Because the boys in Washington Are giving it away. The National Perks are next to go They'll take 'em one by one, The greatests boys the givenway boys.

Way down in Washington.

Way down in Washington.

The Weather Bureau's up for sale. I can't believe it's true If you want to get a weather report Here's what you'll have to do. For a monthly fee they'll tell you If there's gomes he rain or sun. The givesway boys, the givesway, boys Way slown in Washington.

They're the greenway buys, the givenway boys

Way down in Washington

There's many a way to rob and steel If ever you get the yen. You can do if with a forty four Or with a fountain pen. You can do a very thorough job And never use a gur. Like the giveaway boys, the giveaway boys. Way down in Washington.

dust like the givenway boys, the givenway boys. Way down in Washington.

We've had enough, it's time to change I'm sure you will agree. What's good for Reagan's buddies

Is not good enough for me. is not good enough for the Bet out and vote in %4, We'll have them on the run. We'll chase those boys, those giveaway boys. Right out of Washington.

Get out and vote in '84

We'll have them on the num We'll chase those boys, those givesway boys Right out of Washington.

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One night the White House telephone rang very, very late. The caller said, "I'm the Secretary of State."

I must talk to the President for he should know That the Cubana have invaded Guantanamo." The White House operator said "I cannot put you through, For, Mister Secretary, it's a quarter past two You'll have to leave the message with someone else, I got those orders from the President himself.

CHORUS: We can't disturb the President for every little thing. He's sleeping upstairs in the family wing. Can't wake him every time we hear the telephone ring. We won't wake the President up.

The telephone rang in the middle of the day, It was Casey who was calling from the CIA. if was basely who was campy from the Country.

He said "I called to tell the President a Russian sp,"

Is in the White House littchen baking apple pe."

But the White House operator said "The President is tired.

If I were to connect you, it would likely get me fired. He's taking his sieste now and I'we been told.

That if you were to call I should put you on hold." CHORUS

The Secret Service called just a little after dark They said "A UFO has landed in Lafayette Park Some little green creatures came running out the door, some one green creatures came tunning out the coor,. They were wearing Krypton T-shirts and that's all they wore. Some of them are talking to a parking meter. We can here them screaming 'Take us to your loader.' " But the White House operator said "You called too late, Please call back in the morning at half past eight." CHORUS

One day a call come from the Secretary of Defense He said "We have intelligence trust discent make much sense. I have to tell the President that we've just found. An unknown submerine in Long Island Sound. An unmarked aircraft carrier is anchored off Cape May. And several mystery ships have entered Chesiquake Bay I have to tell the President we may be in a scrap." But the operator said "Right now he's taking his nap." CHORUS

Now out on the horison, you can see a lot of ships. And on the rada: screen there are a lot of little blos. The red telephone is ringing long and bod. And over in Jersey City there's a machinorin cloud. A salection has sawed the wines off Ar Force One, And the Chiefs of Stall are meeting in the Pentagen. The President will sall them what action they should take. And they know they'll get the word as soon as he's awake

FINAL CHORUS: We can't disturb the President for every little

thing.

Ba's skeping upstars in the family wing.

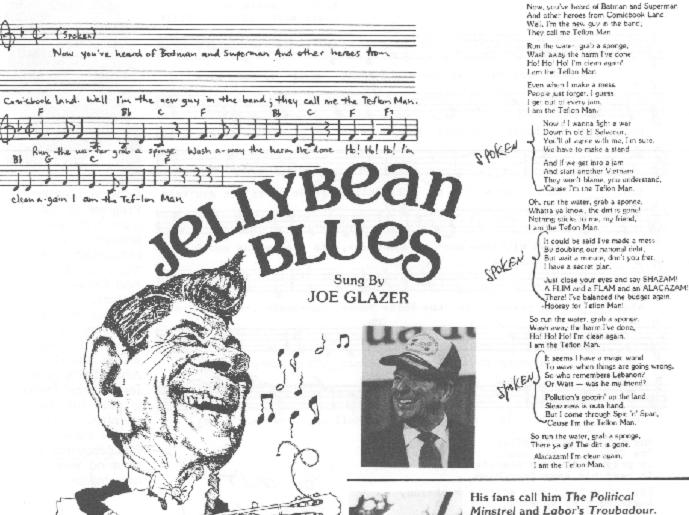
Can't wake him every time we have the telephone ring.

We won't wake the President Shouldn't wake the President — Mustr't weke the President — Can't wake the President — South — don't wake the President up.

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#### TEFLON MAN by Mike Nobel

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Minstrel and Labor's Troubadour. (Republicans have other names for him!) Joe Glazer has sung at meetings and rallies for Harry Truman, Adlai Stevenson, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson, Hubert Humphrey, Jimmy Carter, Walter Mondale, and the legendary Joe Smith. In 1980 he sang at The White House for President and Mrs. Carter. He looks forward to being invited back after the 1984 elections.

Joe Glazer has done it again. In 1982, his JELLYBEAN BLUES Record took the country by storm and became an underground hit in Washington, D.C., though it never was played at The White House. For 1984, Joe Glazer has revised and updated this record with many brand new songs including: Teflon Man, Geraldine, Democratic Victory Train, Balance the Budget, The Giveaway Boys in Washington, plus many others.

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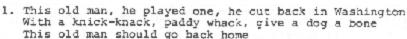


As soon as Ronald Reagan was elected, Jerry and Bev Prayer knew they would have to write a song about him. Inspiration for this parody came from Mark Russel who sang part of the first verse during one of his television shows. They took it from there and started performing the song in public in the spring of 1981. At the end of that year they happened to sing this song during a parody workshop at the San Francisco Folk Music Club new year's bash. Faith Petric heard it there and passed it along to Pete Seeger and Arlo Guthrie who have been singing it all over the nation. Its popularity seems to be increasing as the presidential election approaches.



BY JERRY AND BEY PRAVER

(c) 1983



- 2. He's doin' it to me and you
- 3. He cut solar energy
- 4. Now we're in El Salvador

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- 5. ERA did not survive
- 6. He was better in the flicks
- 7. Standard Oil is in hog heaven
- 8. Let's help Nancy decorate
- M-X missiles all in line
- 10. Now he's going to run again

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Jerry and Bev Praver wrote their first political parody during the Carter administration based on the song "Goober Peas." They also immortalized James Watt with a song "I'll Fence It In" based on the Cole Porter song "Don't Fence Me In." (The third time they performed that one in public, James Watt resigned.)

New verses for "This Old Man" are born with great frequency. All you have to do is read the newspaper. In fact, Jerry and Bev have written so many verses they have had to discard most of them. Two different versions have been published in Sing Cut! and The Folknik.

Jerry and Bev started playing folk music in 1962 and in 1977 began to perform professionally. They have published a book of original material where many of these parodies and topical tunes appear. It's called "Signs of the Times" and is available for \$5 plus \$1 postage from them at 1543 East Palm Drive, Covina, California 91724.



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#### THE SOUND OF DOUGH

To the tune from "The Sound Of Music" by Sidney Carter

Dough, what corporations make Radiation, they don't care Me, someone I'd like to save Befere the fallout fills the air So, the war machine must go Law, a rule that we must break TV news we never make Cause we haven't got the do-o-o-o-





## PLEASE MR PRESIDENT

by OSCAR BRAND



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"I
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#### The New Gospet

I asked you for help And you gave me peace movement flyers. I told you migrant children Were doomed. To another generation of stoop labor And Abuse And you showed me filmstrips. Ltold your drugs Were killing our youth in the barnos And you defined for me. Very clearly. I may add. The military budget. Pregnant, on welfare. Without money to pay My utility bills or rent I went to you. And you lectured me On the dangers of uranium. I told you my mom Had just died unnecessarily Because we couldn't afford a doctor. And you told me The nuclear Freeze Was about preventing universal death. Ltold you I didn't give a damn. Abelardo B. Delgado



Mondale on the defensive in Tennessee: "This is getting to be a pain"

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To the tune of "Here's To The State Of Mississsippi" and "Here's To The State Of Richard Nixon", both by Phil Ochs.

HERE'S TO THE STATE OF RONALD REAGAN

by MAGPIE

Here's to the state of Ronald Reagan
When you take a walk down mainstreet you'll see anger and despair
Where there's billions more for miss
but for school children's lunches there's not a single dime to spare
And if you fall through his safety net, well, why should he care
Here's to the land you've torn out the heart of
Ronald Reagan find yourself another country to be part of

And here's to the schools of Ronald Reagan
Where teaching all the children that they don't have to care
The rudiments of hatred are present everywhere
And every single classroom is a factory of despair
Where there's nobody teaching such a foreign word as fair
Here's to the land you've term out the heart of
Ronald Reagan find yourself another country to be part of

And here's to the laws of Ronald Reagan
Where everything is legal if you're with the CIA
Where the more you own the less the IRS will tax away
But for the war the poor will be the ones who truly pay
But it's all a class B movie in the Ronald Reagan
Here's to the land you've torn out the heart of
Ronald Reagan find yourself another country to be part of

And here's to the churches of Ronald Reagan, and Jerry Falwell Where the cross once made of silver now is caked with rust And a sunday morning sermon panders to their lust. Oh the fallen face of Jesus is choking in the dust And heaven only knows in which god they can trust Here's to the land you've torn out the heart of Ronald Reagan find yourself another country to be part of

And here's to the government of Ronald Reagan
Where the progree made in fifty years he's bent on breaking down
Where madmen all are posing as advisors to the crown
With guns and bombs he thinks that he can push the world around
And the speeches of the president are the ravings of a clown
Here's to the land you've torn out the heart of
Ronald Reagan find yourself another country to be part of





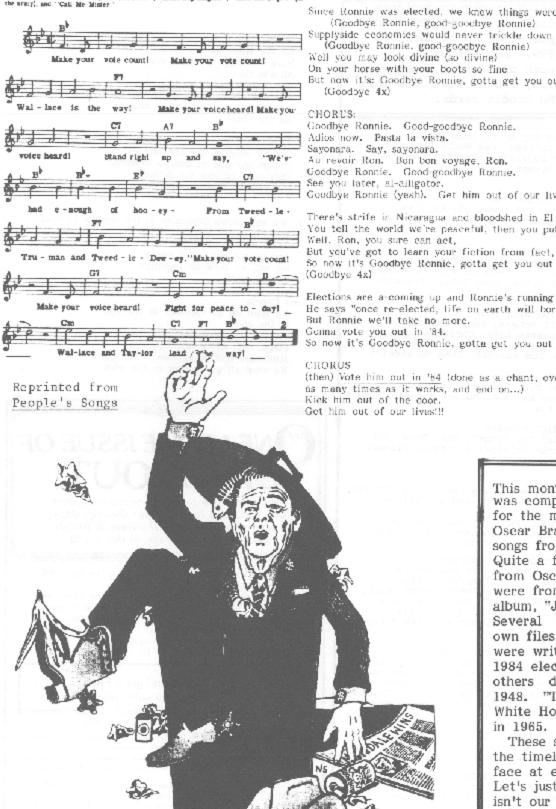
"The form of government that we want to get into Grenada is a form of government that enables the people to choose the kind of government they wish."

-Secretary Weinberger

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Barold Bress first actioned lame with his hit musical production "Pina and Needles", Since then he has done "Sing On The News", "Lattle Dog Langued", "Stars and Gripes" (in the army), and "Call Me Minier"



#### GOODBYE ROXNIE

Music: Beachboys

Words: Ruth & Etta Goldbaum

Since Ronnie was elected, we know things word gonna get rough (Goodbye Ronnie, good-goodbye Ronnie)

Supplyside economics would never trickle down enough

(Goodbye Ronnie, good-goodbye Ronnie) Well you may look divine (so divine)

On your horse with your boots so fine

But now it's: Goodbye Ronnie, gotta get you out of our lives.

Au revoir Ron. Bon bon voyage, Ron.

Goodbye Ronnie. Good-goodbye Ronnie.

Goodbye Ronnie (yesh). Get him out of our lives.

There's strife in Nicaragua and bloodshed in El Salvador. You tell the world we're peaceful, then you put us on the brink of war.

So now it's Goodbye Ronnie, gotta get you out of our lives.

Elections are a-coming up and Ronnie's running one more time. He says "once re-elected, life on earth will border on sublime.

So now it's Goodbye Ronnie, gotta get you out of our lives.

(then) Vote him out in '84 (done as a chant, over and over, with the audience. as many times as it works, and end on ...)

This month's BROADSIDE was compiled and edited, for the most part, by Osear Brand. It contains songs from various sources. Quite a few songs came from Oscar. A couple were from Joe Glazer's album, "Jelly Bean Blues." Several were from Broadside's own files. Some of these were written just for the 1984 election, while others date back to 1948. "The Peanut in the White House" was written in 1965.

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- Reagan's building bigger missles.
   All the time, all the time
   More and bigger, bigger missles
   All the time
   Then some general will goof
   And our whole sweet world will go poof
   But they're building bigger missles
   All the time
- Congress says it has no money
   For our schools, for our schools.
   Though our pile of bomb's immense
   They have billions for defense
   Yet Reagan says he has no money for our schools
- 3. We walk down Broadway in the shodow of death We live in the shadow of the bomb if we let distrust increase And do not get world peace we will all blow up together In one tomb

Last Chorus

We shall all go together in the end
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We shall all go together in the end
Black, red, white, and fan
Millionere and beggerman
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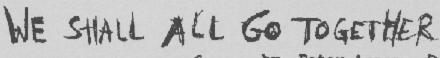


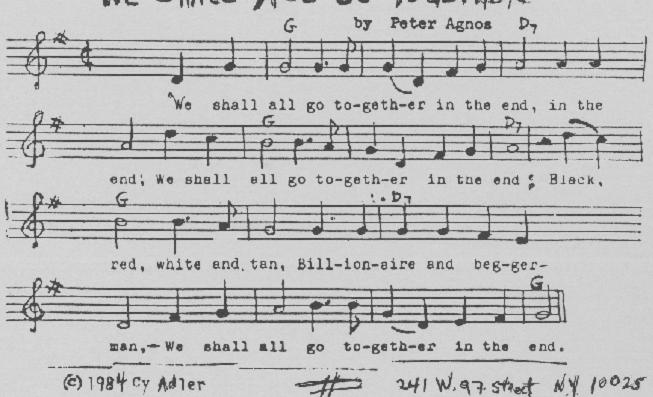
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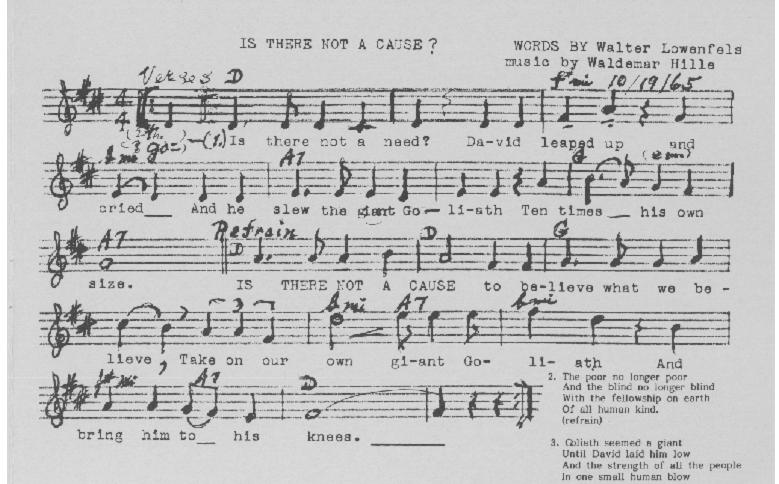
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