Madison smiled and she hung with a band of strays
The band was gone
Bringin' it on to the broadway blaze
Once I lived under the city in my sweet July

July mercy on Broadway Don't you believe it You better know what I say She'll make you pay

Down the alleyway, slippin' up a sidestreet Shine everybody, shine everybody Everybody, shine everybody

On Broadway, jive and pray
There ain't no mercy now on Broadway

People and the landlords shine Down and gay wine In the doom swept the band away Baby on Broadway

Is she mild like mother and child? Does she obey?

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Black city fair
Ole road runner there
Shine everybody
(Everybody, everybody)
Shine everybody

There'll be no mercy on Broadway Mercy on Broadway, mercy on Broadway Hey!