

## Stolen Life

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Wake up in the morning go to work  
Fire up the truck and drive to Sonoma  
Hop on the forklift and load up the truck with 10,000 pounds of newspapers  
10,000 pounds of racist, classist lies  
Drive the truck back to Santa Rosa  
Get the newspapers in the recycle  
So the rich white man  
Can print up the same batch of lies again and again  
Like "it's too bad the cops had to that man, but he had a broomstick  
And he was asian  
And we all know they're all Kung Fu masters.  
Samurai warriors, they're all just like Jackie Chan  
It's too bad they had to restrain his wife,  
'cause she was a registered nurse and she tried to save his life  
That goes against regulations, We'll just chalk it up to a bad night.  
We're so proud our boys in blue  
'cause they always do what's right"  
I saw Aylene today  
I saw her children play, in the front yard  
The thought occurred to me, how does a mother  
Tell her children their daddy got killed by the police  
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Like, "It's too bad the cops had to kill that kid  
But someone called in a stolen walkman  
The cops had to chase him down  
But he refused to lie face down on the ground  
He just walked away, the cops said  
His black skin walked away into the black night  
So I had to shoot him in the back of the head from 50 feet away  
I had to kill him it was self defense  
I was afraid he would circle back around behind and kill me"  
I saw Cornelius speak today, at Hayward Bart  
About how his son's life was stolen away  
Over a walkman that wasn't worth more than change  
How does a father find justice for a son stolen away  
I don't want to hear your newscast anymore, it's bullshit  
I don't want to see your headlines anymore, 'cause they're bullshit  
I don't want to hear your press release anymore, 'cause it's bullshit  
I don't want to hear your police report anymore, 'cause it's bullshit  
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