

## Riot in Cell Block #9

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July the second, it was nineteen sixty-three  
I was servin' time for armed robbery  
Four o'clock in the mornin', I was layin' back in my cell  
I heard the whistle blow then I heard somebody yell  
There's a riot goin' on  
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Down in cell block number 9  
The riot started down in cell block number 4  
Spread like wild fire across the prison floor  
Scar-face Jones said, "It's too late to quit"  
Pass the dynamite 'cause the fuse is lit  
There's a riot goin' on  
There's a riot goin' on  
There's a riot goin' on  
Down in cell block number 9  
Y'all gotta stop that stuff goin' on over there  
If ya don't stop that riot, y'all gonna get the chair  
I said, "Hey now boys, get ready to run  
Here come the warden with an automatic gun"  
There's a riot goin' on  
There's a riot goin' on  
There's a riot goin' on  
Down in cell block number 9  
In the forty-seventh hour the tear gas  
It got our men  
We are all back in our cells  
But every now and then  
There's a riot goin' on  
There's a riot goin' on  
There's a riot goin' on  
Down in cell block number 9