Panic Beach

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Well the dog act got drunk again last night And the king and queen of the waltz clog team Had another fight King was careless with his tango grip Nearly lost his queen in a dip Yeah, she righted herself, straightened out her slip And kicked him in the shin

Miss Billy Begonia thinks she's hit the "big time" She wants a thick red rug From the dressing room door to the front line of the footlights She's got a sky blue swansdown powder puff And a corset to keep her spirits up Yeah, she don't sweat, she sours and melts Like ice cream in the sun She'll be out of a job at the end of this three week run

We're havin' fun out here On Panic Beach All the Vaudeville bums are here Out on Panic Beach I hear them talk about the Palace But it's so far out of reach So I'll do my time Then say goodbye to Panic Beach Goodbye, goodbye, goodbye

The visionary theatric Strikes a juggler's seesaw tune And the dying swan pirouettes and fawns By the light of the street lamp moon When my trunk is filled with taffeta Those "big time" hacks won't laugh at us

When my taps are made of silver I can make the kiddies thrill for just one buck and wing Yeah, I will nail them to my heel And the Panic Choir sings Here comes a lucky little thing To Panic Beach Yeah, you know we got to teach him how to sing While we're stuck on Panic Beach Ah, the way ya hear 'em say it Doesn't seem so outta reach So I'll do my time Then say goodbye to Panic Beach Goodbye, goodbye, goodbye

Well the landlord gets a free show Every Saturday at six Sometimes on a Sunday, All dependin' on whatever kind of mood he's in I keep his glass filled up with Sherry And sing him all his favorite songs If a tear comes to his eye he may let a month go by Before he takes away my key Oh, that Sherry starts to taste real good to me Hey Mama, look at me On Panic Beach I may be hungry but my rent is free Up on Panic Beach Yeah, I can almost see the Palace No longer outta reach So I'll do my time Then say goodbye to Panic Beach Goodbye, goodbye, goodbye