

Rockefeller Druglaw Blues

The Felice Brothers

The exhaust from the prison van is going to heaven, but I'm going to Attica
Gonna put a hundred miles between me and my dealing habit
I'm watching Poughkeepsie move by in the afternoon rain
My hands are turning blue from these cuffs they got me in

I tried to keep my job at the dollar store
Found out my mom was sick and a dollar wasn't enough no more
I promise you Mama, I'm gonna get you them pills
I got me a box of bags and a baker's scale

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An ounce of speed
Fifteen years to life
Rockefeller, that's a long old time

My brother was shot down on Warren Street a year ago tonight
Can't you see the medics with his body in the siren light
I promise you brother, I'm gonna be a good dad
Gonna give our children something like we never had

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Twenty boys in orange clothes in the jailhouse yard
Twenty needle-marks in the arms of God
Five hundred picketers this morning on the governor's lawn
Fifty white stars, my Darling, in the milky dawn

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