

Positive Jam

The Hold Steady

Woke up in the '20s and there were flappers and fruits in white suits

It was right before the crash, we got thrashed throughout the '30s

Queuing up for soup with scabby sores

Then they sent us off to war

We came back in the '40s and there were wheelchairs, guns and tickertape

We poured it on the floor and we made love to the interstates

We got shiftless in the '50s, holding hands and going steady

Twisting into dark parts of the large midwestern cities

Tripped right through the '60s with some blissful little hippie

Some Kennedys got shot while you were screwing San Francisco

And the '70s got heavy, we woke up on bloody carpets

Got tangled up in gaslines, and I guess that's where it started

The '80s almost killed me, let's not recall them quite so fondly

Some Kennedy OD'ed while we watched on MTV

And in the '90s we were wired and well connected

Put it all down on technology and lost everything we invested

We gotta start it off with a positive jam

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All the sniffing indie kids: hold steady

And all you clustered-up clever kids: hold steady

And I got bored when I didn't have a band

And so I started a band, man

We're gonna start it with a positive jam

Hold steady