

Gun Cotton

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Silence in the courtyard, silence in the street
The powers that be, out by the river, are shuffling their feet
But the night is full of car alarms and sideways glances
In this land of milk and money you don't get your second chance
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Cars are burning on the slip roads, the bars are full of sailor
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Spent a long time trying to fathom which were trips and which w
ere trailers
England has been bleeding into every police station
Into every schoolyard, every war and every state occasion

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Children in the boxes paint the underpass red
The graffiti on the park bench, the faded A to Z
They'll make you fat with dreams and sequence on the silver scr
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Til you're full of hope and tragedy and crash-site steam

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England has been bleeding, she can't leave it at that
She's waiting round the corner wit a switch-blade in her hand
So let's dance for our lives, boys, in this Vaudeville show
Take your time and take a bow; this place is gonna blow

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