Hey Sandy

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The sun was hot and the air was heavy and the marching men came by You stood at the door and you watched then pass you asked the r eason why The sound of steel on their Jackboot heel came pounding through your head Your reason is past, they've come at last, with the blessings o f the dead Hey Sandy, hey Sandy why are you the one? All the years of growing up are wasted now and gone Did you see them turn did you feel the burn of the bullets as t hey flew? Hey Sandy, hey Sandy just what did you do? At the college square they were standing there with flag and wi th the gun And the whispered words as the young ones stirred, why are thes e things done And the air was still with the lonely thrill of now the hour is near And the smell of sweat was better yet than the awful smell of f ear The awful shout as you all ran out, why are these things done And you stood and stared yet no one cared for another campus bu m Your songs are dead and your hymns instead are to the funeral p yre And the words of youth, like love and truth are just ashes on t he fire Did you throw the stone at the men alone with their bayonets fi xed for hire? Did you think that they would kill no one did you scream as the y opened fire? As the square ran red with your bloodstains spread and the dark ness round you grew Did you feel the pain did you call the name of the man that you never knew?

[Chorus]