

The Krugman Blues

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I read the NY Times it's where I get my news
Paul Krugman's on the op-ed page that's where I get the blues
Cause Paul always tells it like it is we get it blow by blow
Krugman's got the Nobel prize so Krugman ought to know

When Paul goes on The NewsHour to talk to old Jim Lehrer
He looks so sad and crestfallen it's more than I can bear
And all the other experts all seem way off base
And I guess that I identify with that pissed off look on Paul's
face
When Paul gets really bummed out that's when I get scared
But if Paul says there's a glint of hope I feel we've all been
spared
Sometimes when he's on the TV in the background you can spot hi
s school logo

Krugman teaches at Princeton U so Krugman ought to know

He's got that hang dog look about him Paul's one unhappy pup
Krugman looks so downtrodden I wish he'd lighten up
And I know he wants to clue us in about all our impending doom
But I got The Krugman Blues from all Paul's gloom

Once I saw Krugman on a train Amtrackin' to DC
I recognized his sad face cause I seen it on the TV
He looked up from his laptop when I said "Hello Paul"
Then I said "Keep up all the good work, Paul
You bring me down but way to go, Paul!"