I went to a party at the local county jail All the cons were dancing and the band began to wail But the guys were indiscreet They were brawling in the street At the local dance at the local county jail Well the band were playing And the booze began to flow But the sound came over on the police car radio Down at Precinct 49 Having a tear-gas of a time Sergeant Baker got a call from the governor of the county jail Load up, load up, load up with rubber bullets Load up, load up, load up with rubber bullets I love to hear those convicts squeal It's a shame these slugs ain't real But we can't have dancin' at the local county jail Sergeant Baker and his men made a bee-line for the jail And for miles around You could hear the sirens wail There's a rumor goin' round death row That a fuse is gonna blow At the local hop at the local county jail Whatcha gonna do about it, whatcha gonna do Whatcha gonna do about it, whatcha gonna do Sergeant Baker started talkin' With a bullhorn in his hand He was cool, he was clear He was always in command He said "Blood will flow; Here Padre Padre you talk to your boys..." "Trust in me -God will come to set you free" Well we don't understand Why you called in the National Guard When Uncle Sam is the one Who belongs in the exercise yard We all got balls and brains But some's got balls and chains At the local dance at the local county jail Load up, load up, load up with rubber bullets Load up, load up, load up with rubber bullets Is it really such a crime For a guy to spend his time

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