

Body Count

This Bike Is a Pipe Bomb

I ran home from school and threw my books on the table
And I turned on the TV, it was those days before cable
Got the national news on channels 3, 5 and 10
And I got home just in time to watch the numbers roll in

We got the body count from a conflict, not a war
We got the body count every afternoon at four,
(1,2,3,4!)

We had Richard M. Nixon, 1968 and my parents both agreed that o
ur future looked great
But the number's getting bigger every night on my screen
And the median age of each corpse was 19

They were the body count from a conflict, not a war
We got the body count every afternoon at four
(1,2,3,4!)

You think things are bad now, well they've always been scared t
hat kids have guns
Well we issued them then
Dead at 19 from an east LA slum his choice was war or college h
e was poor, not dumb

He was the body count, every afternoon at four
He was the body count, from the Vietnam war.