Rednecks (Remastered Version)

Randy Newman

Last night I saw Lester Maddox on a TV show

With some smart a** New York Jew

And the Jew laughed at Lester Maddox

And the audience laughed at Lester Maddox too

Well he may be a fool but he's our fool

If they think they're better than him they're wrong

So I went to the park and I took some paper along

And that's where I made this songWe talk real funny down here

We drink too much and we laugh too loud

We're too dumb to make it in no Northern town

And we're keepin' the n*****s downWe got no necked oilmen from Texas

And good ol' boys from Tennessee

And colleges men from LSU

Went in dumb, come out dumb too

Hustlin' 'round Atlanta in their alligator shoes

Gettin' drunk every weekend at the barbecues

And they're keepin' the n****s downWe are rednecks, we're rednecks

We don't know our a**

From a hole in the ground

We're rednecks, we're rednecks

And we're keeping the n*****s downNow your northern n*****'s a negro

You see he's got his dignity

Down here we're too ignorant to realize

That the North has set the n**** freeYes he's free to be put in a cage

In Harlem in New York City

And he's free to be put in a cage

On the South Side of Chicago

And the West Side

And he's free to be put in a cage

In Hough in Cleveland

And he's free to be put in a cage

In East St. Louis

And he's free to be put in a cage

In Fillmore in San Francisco

And he's free to be put in a cage

In Roxbury in Boston

They're gatherin' 'em up from miles around

Keepin' the n*****s downWe're rednecks, we're rednecks

We don't know our a**

From a hole in the ground
We're rednecks, we're rednecks
We're keeping the n*****s down
We are keeping the n*****s

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