

Somebody Bought My Old Hometown

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I used to like to listen to the tales of the old men who sat around the old park square
But the piddlers and the whittlers and the checker boards're gone
There's a brand new office building there
And the street known as Maple is much wider now and there are no maples to be found
Since Consolidated Whozit Subdivision of Universal-What-You-Call-It bought my old hometown
[ac.guitar] There used to be good fishin' down along the shady mill stream
You'd see 'em as they jumped and played
But the blue gill and the croppie and the old mill made way
For Chemical Division Section A
They pulled up the flowers planted by the Ladies' Club

And took the city founder statue down
Since Consolidated Whozit Subdivision of Universal-What-You-Call-It bought my old hometown
[harmonica] Yeah the picture show has had it where I used to spend my Saturdays
With Jean and Roy and Pop along
Now the Brotherhood of Gismo Fixers Local 102 is making it their temporary home
They cut down the maples along Maple Street and of course the pool hall came down
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