

Ambush

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The lamp that lights the way
Is a light from yesterday
The drum which leads the way
Is a sound from yesterdayThe road is filled with shadows
Of a million, living leaves
Darkness all around us
And not a friend in sightWe sang a song together
To help us through the night
The song was sung with spirit
But soft and like a choirAnd as the others sang along
Our voices lifted higher
We sang until' we reached the bridge
We crossed, then saw the wireBut by the time we stopped the song
The enemy had opened fireNow, we ain't gonna sing that song no more
Ain't gonna sing that song no more
Just don't pay to sing no more
Especially when you're in a war, a warNow, this time through
We want everybody
To listen to the punchline
All right, all right, all right, all rightThe song was sung with spirit
But soft and like a choir
But by the time, we stopped the song
The enemy had opened fireNow, we ain't gonna sing that song no more
Ain't gonna sing that song no more
Just don't pay to sing no more
Especially when you're in a war, oh

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