

# James K Polk

## They Might Be Giants

In 1844, the Democrats were split  
The three nominees for the presidential candidate  
Were Martin Van Buren, a former president and an abolitionist  
James Buchanan, a moderate  
Louis Cass, a general and expansionist  
From Nashville came a dark horse riding up  
He was James K. Polk, Napoleon of the Stump  
Austere, severe, he held few people dear  
His oratory filled his foes with fear  
The factions soon agreed  
He's just the man we need  
To bring about victory  
Fulfill our manifest destiny  
And annex the land the Mexicans command  
And when the votes were cast the winner was  
Mister James K. Polk, Napoleon of the Stump  
In four short years he met his every goal  
He seized the whole southwest from Mexico  
Made sure the tariffs fell  
And made the English sell the Oregon territory  
He built an independent treasury  
Having done all this he sought no second term  
But precious few have mourned the passing of  
Mister James K. Polk, our eleventh president  
Young Hickory, Napoleon of the Stump

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