Political Scientist

Ryan Adams

He is drinking water from the faucet, from the river From the tributary it comes through rusted pipes

Outside his window he sees

The water that's supposed to be clean

By the chemicals polluted by the candy factory linesSomeplace on the edge of town

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Is where they live

Political scientistsSo now she is crawling on her hands and her knees

She is dirtying her jeans, choking on her own perfume

With a pen she writes below

The sink in someone's restaurant

This place is inconvenient for my nameShe forgets to write it anyway

She forgets to write it anyway

The government supplies the cocaine

Political scientistsThere's no guarantees

There's no guarantees

There's no guaranteesBanging hard upon a crooked drum

She feels them tearing down

Salvation army houses back in Michigan

Her husband's divorced but he treats her that way of course

Because he needs her just like he needs medicineShe forgets to write him anyway

She forgets to write him anyway

What's red and white and nearly over

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