Frankly Mr. Shankly

The Smiths

Frankly, Mr. Shankly, this position I've held It pays my way, and it corrodes my soul I want to leave, you will not miss me I want to go down in musical historyFrankly, Mr. Shankly, I'm a sickening wreck I've got the twenty-first century breathing down my neck I must move fast, you understand me I want to go down in celluloid history, Mr. ShanklyFame, fame, fatal fame It can play hideous tricks on the brain But still I'd rather be famous than righteous or holy Any day, any day any day But sometimes I'd feel more fulfilled Making Christmas cards with the mentally ill I want to live and I want to love I want to catch something that I might be ashamed of Frankly, Mr. Shankly, this position I've held It pays my way and it corrodes my soul Oh, I didn't realize that you wrote poetry I didn't realize you wrote such bloody awful poetry, Mr. Shankly, Frankly, Mr. Shankly, since you ask You are a flatulent pain in the ass

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I do not mean to be so rude Still, I must speak frankly, Mr. Shankly Oh, give us your money