County Fair

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Well, the county fair left quite a mess in the county yard Kids with eyes as big as dollars rode all the rides Strip artists and con artists put on quite a show And made some money then left town Where they went I dont know? Hey, all you suckers I heard a fat woman say Come on in for fifty cents, you can stay in here all day So I took a chance, I went inside

Wasnt much there to see

So I ask her for my money back and she just smiled at meSaw Princess Tonyika taken off all her clothes

Rode some rides and played some games

Saw the Wild Man from Borneo

There was a black man playing the blues

Talked to some friends hadnt seen in a while

Threw a football through a hoopWell, I saw them loading up their trucks, taking down the rides

Folding up all the tents, theres a full moon in the sky

Some were laughing some were cussing as they worked

Saw one of them making love to a local girll was minding my own business, it was quarter after two

When a fella walked up and said hey man, I remember you

And then he shoved me and pulled out his knife

Stuck me three times in the chest and I died that nightFor the like of me I cant remember who he was

And why hed put a knife in me in that dusty parking lot

Everybody said what a shame it was

But he knew better than staying out past twelve oclockSome people put no value on a human life

And there are places we all go that just aint safe at night

If somebody do this to me they might do it to you

So be careful where you go and what you say or doOh, the county fair left quite a mess in the county yard

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