

# Big Parade

## The Lumineers

[Interlude]

Lovely girl, won't you stay  
Won't you stay, stay with me  
All my life I was blind  
I was blind, now I see

[Verse 1]

Fleet of black, fleet of black limousines  
These tinted machines, here comes the cavalcade  
With the armored cars, armored cars like Berettas  
Flags on antennae designed to keep me safe, keep me safe

[Chorus]

And oh my my, oh hey hey  
Here he comes, the candidate  
Blue eyed boy, United States  
Vote for him, the candidate

[Verse 2]

Diamonds cut, diamonds cut for the carrots  
Plaster of Paris, the floats fill up the street  
And the beauty queens, beauty queens with the white gloves  
All sick from the night clubs, they wave with pageantry, pageantry

[Chorus]

Oh my my, oh hey hey  
Here it comes, the big parade  
Marching bands and barricades  
Make way, for the big parade

[Bridge]

Oh

[Verse 3]

Canvas covered, canvas covered in resin  
The violent men who dance the blood ballet  
And the bookies say, bookies say it's the 3rd round  
Oh, when Louie will go down  
If he don't, there's hell to pay and hell to raise

[Chorus]

And oh my my oh hey hey  
Here he comes, the welterweight  
Take a dive, for goodness sake  
Or say goodbye to the welterweight

[Verse 4]

Catholic priest, Catholic priest in a crisis  
He's torn between romance and Jesus  
Who will win the civil war  
And he says I'm in love, I'm in love with a woman  
Yeah, this is my confession  
I'm leaving, I can't be a priest anymore, anymore

[Chorus]

And oh my, oh hey hey  
There he goes, the man of faith  
Left the church for a fiancé  
Let him love, the man of faith

[Bridge]

[Verse 5]

TV cameras, TV cameras and stage hands  
American Bandstand, electric guitars  
And he's singin' songs, singin' songs for the lonely  
All the girls with the room keys  
They know all his words by heart, by heart and they all sing

[Interlude]

All my life I was blind  
I was blind, now I see  
Lovely girl, won't you stay

[Chorus]

Oh my my, oh hey hey  
Here she comes by saving grace  
Burn the car and save the plates  
She's arrived, my saving grace