

Big Maceo

"County Jail Blues"

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(Alfred Fields)

Big Maceo - piano & vocal, Tampa Red - guitar

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Chicago, ILL. RCA Studio C

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They picked me up
An put me in the county jail
They picked me up
An put me in the county jail
They wouldn't even let my woman
Come and go my bail

Now, I'm in prison
But I've almost did my time
Now, I'm in prison
But I've almost did my time
They give me six months
But I had to work out nine

'Cause I know my baby
She's gonna jump an shout
I know my baby
She's gonna jump an shout
When that train roll up
An I come walkin' out

'Now play 'em Mr. Tampa'

(guitar, piano & bass)

So, take these stripes around me
Chain way from 'round my legs
These stripes from 'round me
And these chains from 'roundlegs
Well, these stripes don't hurt me
But these chains gonna kill me dead.

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