

## Janis Ian

### "Danger Danger"

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You got Ma Rainey talkin' 'bout a jelly roll  
Chuck Berry workin' on a mojo  
Bessie Smith singin' Bull Dagger Blues  
Elvis twiching on the evening news

Danger, danger, can't you see  
that sex should stay a mystery  
so ban that music, yessirree  
That's what America means to me

We gonna ban Walt Whitman, and Jean Cocteau  
All the queers will have to go  
Mr. Tennessee Williams, Plato too  
You got to give J. Edgar Hoover his due

Danger, danger, can't you see  
They're in your local library  
so ban those authors, yessirree  
That's what America means to me, yeah

We gonna ban all the dagos, the wops and the kikes  
Gonna ban all the chinks and the towelhead types  
Ban all the wetbacks, ban all the fags  
Wrap it up tight in the American flag

Danger, danger, can't you see  
it's dangerous when they are free  
so ban those lazy refugees  
That's what America means to me

I watched the news last night at nine  
Saw a head blown off somebody's spine  
The women moaned and the children screamed  
Doesn't anybody else think that's obscene?

It ought to be a felony  
to practice such stupidity  
but it's my right, as you can see  
That's what America means to me, yeah  
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