

Johnny Cash

"I Got Stripes"

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On a Monday, I was arrested, uh, huh
On a Tuesday, they locked me in the jail, poor boy
On a Wednesday, my trial was attested
On a Thursday, they said, guilty and the judge's gavel
fell

I got stripes, stripes around my shoulders
I got chains, chains around my feet
I got stripes, stripes around my shoulders
And them chains them chains they're about to drag me
down

On a Monday, got my striped britches, uh, huh
On a Tuesday, got my ball and chain, poor boy
On a Wednesday, I'm workin' diggin' ditches
On a Thursday, Lord I'd begged them not to knock me
down again

I got stripes, stripes around my shoulders
I got chains, chains around my feet
I got stripes, stripes around my shoulders
And them chains them chains they're about to drag me
down

On a Monday, my momma come to see me, uh, huh
On a Tuesday, they caught me with a file, poor boy
On a Wednesday, I'm down in solitary
On a Thursday, Lord, I start on bread and water for a
while

I got stripes, stripes around my shoulders
I got chains, chains around my feet
I got stripes, stripes around my shoulders
And them chains them chains they're about to drag me
down

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