

Kinks

"Word of Mouth"

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I've been trying to get a message to you
But the operator can't put me through
Because the vandals went
And wrecked all the telephones

And all my enemies are spreading bad news
You won't call me, that's why I'm calling you
To put you straight about the rumors
They're spreading about me back home

I should have known, sooner or later
You'd get the news, sooner or later
The word of mouth will get right back to you

Somehow we lost communication
My only chance in my situation
Is that the word of mouth gets my message through
The word of mouth, the word of mouth
But who are they to say the things they do?

The word of mouth says that I've gone insane
That wine and women have affected my brain
Well who's the big mouth spreading the news again?

The word of mouth says I'm round the bend
It's all over, this is the end
Exaggeration sure gets the better of people who send
The word of mouth, the word of mouth
But who are they to say the things they do?

The word of mouth said I should be put in my place
The word is out I'm in disgrace, a waste of space
But if they say it, say it to my face

People talking, trying to dig up the dirt
There are so many lies around
They spread their gossip
And the rumors around this town

Word of mouth, face to face
My word of mouth has stated my case
And I'm saying

"I'm coming back home to you"

You should have known sooner or later

You'd get the news sooner or later

The word of mouth will get right back to you

The word of mouth, shut your mouth, shut your face

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