The Kingston Trio "Tom Dooley"

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Artists: The Kingston Trio (peak Billboard position # 1 in 1958)
Adapted from a folk song by Trio member Dave Guard

SPOKEN INTRO.: Throughout history there have been many songs written about the Eternal Triangle. This next one tells the story of a Mr. Grayson, a beautiful woman, and a condemned man named Tom Dooley. When the sun rises tomorrow, Tom Dooley must hang.

Hang down your head, Tom Dooley Hang down your head and cry Hang down your head, Tom Dooley Poor boy, you're bound to die

I met her on the mountain, there I took her life Met her on the mountain, stabbed her with my knife

Hang down your head, Tom Dooley Hang down your head and cry (ah-uh-eye) Hang down your head, Tom Dooley Poor boy, you're bound to die

This time tomorrow reckon where I'll be Hadn't-a been for Grayson, I'd-a been in Tennessee (well now, boy)

Hang down (your head) your head (Dooley) and cry Hang down your head and cry (ah poor boy, ah well-ah) Hang down (your head) your head (Dooley) and cry Poor boy, you're bound to die (ah well now boy)

Hang down (your head) your head (Dooley) and cry Hang down your head and cry (ah poor boy, ah well-ah) Hang down (your head) your head (Dooley) and cry Poor boy, you're bound to die This time tomorrow reckon where I'll be Down in some lonesome valley hangin' from a white oak tree

Hang down your head, Tom Dooley Hang down your head and cry (ah-uh-eye) Hang down your head, Tom Dooley Poor boy, you're bound to die (ah well now boy)

Hang down your head, Tom Dooley
Hang down your head and cry (poor boy ah well uh)
Hang down your head, Tom Dooley
Poor boy, you're bound to die
Poor boy, you're bound to die
Poor boy, you're bound to die
Poor boy, you're bound to----die

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