

Ryan Harvey

"My Country"

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West bound freight train
Reading Howard Zinn
I dropped outta high school
But that didn't stop my education

And I was raised in
The world of Thatcher and Reagan
And I'm blasting the Clash, the Dead Kennedys and
Crass
And I'm hearing what they're saying

This is my country
Trail of tears that never stop expanding
Bloody legacy of false promises
And dreams deferred by hatred
This is my country

I learned my history my way
With my thumb out on the highway
Seeing the farms, the decaying rowhomes
And the mansions of my country

Stuck in southern Colorado
I learned all about Ludlow
How they shot and burned the striking miners out
To try to break the union

So this is what they fought for?
The strip mall and the billboard?
On the unmarked Oglala graves
That paved the way for Mount Rushmore

Look how many you killed
And this is all that you built?
I'm looking truth in the eye, I'm gonna bury your lies
I'm gonna scream it til your progress is f*cking stilled

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