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# "That's About The Only Thing That Governments Have Done"

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I hoarded all the fruits and all the vegetables and grains  
Kept em for myself but made a price that you could pay  
And from this early pattern a structure did become  
And that's about the only that governments have done

I hired you to work for me so you could buy my food  
Created an economy that barely gave a clue  
That you did all the labor and I got all the funds  
And that's about the only thing that governments have done

I built a giant fortress where my family could reside  
Filled you workers up with myths of patriotic pride  
Filled my life with luxury and politics and fun  
And that's about the only that governments have done

I sent the children off to schools to be taught and trained  
Into roles that benefit and keep the structure maintained  
I kept them from their history and slowly made em' dumb  
And that's about the only that governments have done

I launched a million wars in the name of private greed  
I killed off all the natives from the mountains to the sea  
I murdered them with slavery, and small pox, and guns  
And that's about the only thing that governments have done

I built with brick a place for those who didn't play my game  
Who wouldn't plow my fields for me or pay praise to my name  
I built up giant prison walls so people couldn't run  
And that's about the only that governments have done

I gave you back some freedom in that silly Bill of Rights  
Used all the proper language so you wouldn't rise to fight  
I fooled you all with imagery now look what I've become

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Yes I fought long and hard to secure my place on top  
Through bombs and tanks and crack cocaine and  
violence from the cops  
I kept you apathetic and this is how I've won  
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