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"The Three Ring Government"

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Gonna have a three-ring circus someday,

People will say it's a fine one, son.

Gonna have a three-ring circus someday,

People will come from miles around.

Lions, tigers, acrobats, and jugglers and
clowns galore,

Tightrope walkers, pony riders, elephants, and
so much more

Guess I got the idea right here at school.

Felt like a fool when they called my name,

Talkin' about the government and how it's arranged,

Divided in three like a circus.

Ring one, Executive,

TWO is Legislative, that's Congress.

Ring three, Judiciary.

See it's kind of like my circus, circus.

Step right up and visit ring number one.

The show's just begun. Meet the President.

I am here to see that the laws get done.

The ringmaster of the government.

On with the show!

Hurry, hurry, hurry to ring number two.

See what they do in the Congress.

Passin' laws and juggling bills,

Oh, it's quite a thrill in the Congress.

Focus your attention on ring number three.

The Judiciary's in the spotlight.

The courts take the law and they tame the crimes

Balancing the wrongs with your rights.

No one part can be

more powerful than any other is.

Each controls the other you see,

and that's what we call checks and balances.

Well, everybody's act is part of the show.

And no one's job is more important.

The audience is kinda like the country you know,

Keeping an eye on their performance.

Ring one, Executive,

TWO is Legislative, that's Congress.

Ring three, Judiciary.

See it's kind of like my circus, circus.
Gonna have a three-ring circus someday.
People will say it's a fine one son,
But until I get it, I'll do my thing
With government. It's got three rings.

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