

Back On The Chaingang
The Pretenders

>From: * (Norman Lin)

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>[Riff]:

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>e-----0-3-----3331---110---00-----|

>B-1-----1-----3---331---01-----|

>G-----0-----|

>D-----|

>A-----|

>E-----|

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From: * (julius yang)

Well I finally sat down with the Singles CD and bashed this out. I can play the riff at the beginning, but now that I don't have my guitar in hand I forget it. Agh. I can't understand two places where Chrissy is singing either-- crescending and baggle aren't words that I know of, but that sounds like what she's saying. Corrections appreciated.

opening strum: D A G G D A G G

riff x2

D **A** **G** **G**

I found a picture of you oh
What hijacked my world at nights
To a place in the past we've been passed out of oh
Now we're back in the fight

Em **A**

We're back on the train (ooh, ah)
Ohh

A **D** **A** **G** **G**

Back on the chain gang

The circumstance beyond our control oh
The fool on TV and the news of the world
Got in the house like a pigeon from hell, oh
Crescending our eyes and descended like flies

Put us back on the train, yeah

Oh

Back on the chain gang

D A G G

riff x2

bridge:

Dm A Dm A and so on

The powers that be

That forces us to live like we do

Bring me to my knees

When I see what they ve done to you

chord comping

I ll die as I stand here today

Knowing that deep in my heart

A **Dm**

Therefore to ruin one day

A **E**

For making us part-----

E **B** **A** **A**

I found a picture of you, oh

Those were the happiest days of my life

Like a brick in the baggle was your part, oh

In the wretched life of a lonely heart

F#m **B**

Now we re back on the train

Ohh

B **E**

Back on the chain gang

E B E B until end

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From: Harlan L Thompson

D A Em7 D A Em7 (rpt over riff)

D A Em7 Gmaj7/B G

I found a picture of you oh

D A Em7 Gmaj7/B G

What hijacked my world that night

D A Em7 Gmaj7/B G

To a place in the past we ve been cast out of oh

D A Em7 Gmaj7/B G

Now we re back in the fight

Em A Em7 A

We re back on the train hey

Em A D A D A

Aaaah, back on the chain gang

Circumstance beyond our control oh
The phone, the TV, and the news of the world
Got in the house like a pigeon from hell, oh
Threw sand our eyes and descended like flies

Put us back on the train, yeah
Aaaaah, back on the chain gang

D A Em7 D A Em7 D

BRIDGE:

Dm A7 Dm A7 Dm
The powers that be that force us to live like we do
A7 Dm A7 Dm A7 Dm A7
Bring me to my knees when I see what they ve done to you
Dm A7 Dm A7 Dm
Well I ll die as I stand here today, knowing that deep in my heart
A7 Dm
They ll fall to ruin one day
A7 E B A
For making us part-----

E B A Amaj7/B A/B
I found a picture of you, oh
E B A Amaj7/B A/B
Those were the happiest days of my life
E B A Amaj7/B A/B
Like a break in the battle was your part, oh
E B A Amaj7/B A/B
In the wretched life of a lonely heart
A B A B
Now we re back on the train, hey
A A/B E
Aaaah, back on the chain gang

B E B E (rpt and fade)

Em7: 0 2 2 0 3 0 Gmaj7/B: 3 2 4 0 0 2
Amaj7/B: x 0 6 6 5 4 A/B: x 7 7 6 5 5

NOTE: If you find Gmaj/B too hard to finger, try Bm in its place. Not as accurate, but a hell of a lot easier.
(from Learning to Crawl, 1983)
(sent by Harlan at *)

From: * (Adam Schneider)

There are about three versions of this already in the archive, but none of

them is quite right. This one s a little better; someone sent it to me last fall, and I recently cleaned it up because I wanted to play it.

Unfortunately, this might still have mistakes; I can t check because I don t have the album. I ll have to see if I can get them to play it on the radio...

Adam

[All the work on this song was done by *
(Norman Lin); I just cleaned it up a little for my own use.]

D A G G D A G G
[intro; slow strum] [hard strum]
D A G G D A G G
[with lead guitar]

I found a picture of you, ohh oh-oh ohh ohhh
Oh, what hijacked my world that night?
To a place in the past we ve been cast out of, ohh oh-oh ohh ohhh
Oh, now we re back in the fight

We re back on the train, yeah
Em A D A G G
Oh, oh, back on the chain gang

Circumstance beyond our control, ohh oh-oh ohh ohhh
Oh, the phone, the TV, and the news of the world
Got in our house like a pigeon from hell (??), ohh oh-oh ohh ohhh
Oh, threw sand in our eyes, and descended like flies

Put us back on the train, yeah
Ohhh, ohhhhh
D A G
Back on the chain gang

D A G G D A G G [3 beats]
[guitar solo, same as second part of intro]

Dm A Dm A (Dm)
The powers that be that force us to live like we do
Dm A Dm A
(..do) Bring me to my knees when I see what they ve done to you
Dm* AaddF* Dm* AaddF*
[no vocals]

Dm A Dm A (Dm)
And will I die as I stand here today, knowing that deep in my heart
Dm A Dm A
(..heart) They ll fall to ruin one day, for making us part

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If you want guitar chords for Mary Chapin Carpenter, Indigo Girls,
Mary Karlzen, Lucinda Williams, etc., mail me or check my home page:

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