

PAN BADJOHN

Sung by Kurt Allen

Music by Earl Brooks

Lyrics by Alvin Daniell

♩ = 120

E♭ C min F min B♭ E♭

See them dressed in ___ dey gun-mouth pants Two tone

C min F min B♭ E♭

shoes as ___ if in a dance white ker -

G min G♭ F min F min F min

chief in deh back poc - ket Round dey

B♭ E♭ E♭ E♭ G min G♭

neck is a gold loc ket Bet yuh life a white han-dle

19 F min F min F min B $\flat$

sharp ra - zor Tucked a - way to ap - ply la -

23 E $\flat$ E $\flat$ E $\flat$ A $\flat$

ter That ____ was de, pan bad-john,

27 A $\emptyset$ B $\flat$ F min B $\flat$

from the ear - ly roots of pan In - still - ing a fear in ____ the

31 E $\flat$ F min7 B $\flat$

land. We talk - ing bout ____ men like Zi - gi - lee,

35 E $\flat$ C min7 F min7 B $\flat$

and Gold Teeth See men ____ mov-ing gi - gee-ree, sweat - ing ____ with

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39 E $\flat$ C min7 E $\flat$ F min

dey cold feet it was men like Lick ___ Foot Ray - mond Lil ___

43 F min E $\flat$ E $\flat$ F min

___ Axe and ___ Scor - p ion Was "Ted-dy" Clarke ___ from the South Bad

47 F min E $\flat$ F min7 B $\flat$

men they used ___ to talk bout From dust ___ un-til ear - ly morn Bad men ___ that

51 E $\flat$ C min7 F min7 B $\flat$ E $\flat$

stalk the land time gone ___ That ___ was the Steel Pan ___ Bad - john.

Verse 1

See them dressed in dey gunmouth pants
Two tone shoes as if in a dance
white kerchief in deh back pocket
Round dey neck is a gold locket
Bet yuh life a white handle sharp razor
Tucked away to apply later
That was de, pan badjohn, from the early roots of pan
Instilling a fear in the land.

Chorus

We talking bout men like Zigilee, and Gold Teeth
See men moving gigeeree, sweating with dey cold feet
It was men like Lick Foot Raymond
Lil Axe and Scorpion
Was "Teddy" Clarke from the South
Bad men they used to talk bout
From dust until early morn
Bad men that stalk the land time gone
That was the Steel Pan Bad-john.

Verse 2

When I read the news long ago
I never see violence so
Three men shoot up down in John John
Man get slash in police station
Sailor head buss with a hard baseball bat
So judge order strokes with de Cat
Man from East, cyar go West, going up to Laventille
You travel at yuh own peril.

Chorus

Verse 3

See them dressed in dey gunmouth pants
Two tone shoes as if in a dance
A white kerchief in deh back pocket
Round dey neck is a gold locket
Bet yuh life a white handle sharp razor
Tucked away to use later
That was de, pan badjohn, of the early roots of pan
Instilling a fear in the land.

Chorus