"The children all cried as the hero did die And the credits they rolled on to black There's comfort they know, they'll soon be at home With the hero in wait behind the curtains Heroes don't die that's the truth Next show we'll know what to do Stand our ground if we make it that long And wait for the hero to ride A blonde-headed boy with a coon-skin for a crown He marches his troops into town Six-shooter hand, black powder caps He just saved the city from the Indians Heroes don't die that's the truth Next show we'll know what to do Circle the wagons and hope he breaks through And wait for the hero to ride But the boy was betrayed on a slow fire day When his rifle it ran out of caps The tracers and mortars sang a mournful song With his hero nowhere to be found Try to explain to the mama who's cryin That her baby boy was only tryin To hold out a moment for some myth on a stallion Tell her that heroes don't die"