

Basic Detail Report

JUNE 1980

CLIFF & JOANNA...

SITTIN HERE IN PRESHNOIA WAITIN FOR SUNDAY...I'M GOING UP TO SUN VALLEY FOR A WEEK TO PLAY MUSIC AND DO A ~~XXXX~~ PRINT (SKELETONS WATCH ROMANTIC PUPPETS DANCE IN MEXICO will be the title)...NOT-TOO-MATHEMATICAL MATERIAL BASED ON PICTURES, ETC.) THEN I'M PLACING TO LUBBOCK...JO HARVEY AND THE KIDS ARE GOING TO DRIVE AND MEET ME THERE. WE STOCKED UP THE CAR WITH PEANUT BUTTER SO THE KIDS CAN DRESS UP IN LITTLE SUITS AND SELL THEM AT TRUCK STOPS ALONG THE WAY TO PAY FOR MOTEL ROOMS. IN LUBBOCK I'M GOING TO START CUTTING SOME MORE SONGS...DON'T KNOW IF IT'LL BE A FULL ALBUM...BUT HOPEFULLY WILL GO IN THAT GENERAL DIRECTION. MY WRITING HAS BEEN PRETTY THICK HEADED LATELY...BUT MY VOICE IS GETTING BETTER SINCE I STARTED SMOKING PUCKING CIGARETTES AGAIN. SO...IN CASE YOU ALL ARE GOING DOWN TO MARFA...I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW WE'D BE UP ON THE HUB AND MAYBE WE COULD GET TOGETHER SOMEBOW. I FIGURE ODessa IS THE MIDWINTER...IT'S ALSO THE WORST PLACE ON EARTH...BUT WE MIGHT WRANGLE MEETING THERE AND GETTING DRUNK IN ROUGHNECK BARS AND LISTEN TO RIGGERS TALK ABOUT A-RABS AND HOW CHICKENSHIT THEY ARE TO WORK WITH BECAUSE THEY PRAY ALL THE TIME. LET US KNOW IF YOU'RE DOWN THERE THOUGH...WE'LL BE IN TEXAS ALL THROUGH JULY AND INTO THE FRONT OF AUGUST. ~~HERE'S~~ JO HARVEY'S POKE ADDRESS:

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MEANWHILE, THE SUMMER SO FAR HAS BEEN REAL GOOD. I'VE BEEN MAKING SOME PIECES WITH LEAD...DID ONE CALLED THE LEGACY WHICH IS ABOUT ROCK & ROLL AND I HAD TO CHEW SEVERAL HUNDRED PIECES OF BUBBLE GUM FOR IT. IT TURNED OUT GOOD AND I'M TRYING NOW TO RUN A TRADE WITH MY DENTIST...WHO IS ORIENTAL AND VERY HEAVY INTO PAIN. THE WEATHER IS SWELL HERE SO FAR...BUT ~~XXXX~~ IT'S HUNDREDS OF DEGREES IN TEXAS. 'SCORCHING WINDS' THERE'S SAYING. CAN'T WAIT. I'M SENDING ALONG ANOTHER COPY OF THE SINGLE SO YOU CAN HAVE ONE WITH A JACKET. THE BLACK DIDN'T DO TO WELL ON THIS PRINTING...BUT FIGURE IT'LL GET CORRECTED NEXT PRESSING ROUND. IT'S DOING ALL RIGHT...SEVERAL RECORD STORES ARE CARRYING IT AND A COUPLE OF STATIONS ARE PLAYING IT...BUT SO FAR THE BEST DEAL I'VE MADE IS TRADING IT TO LIQUOR STORES FOR 6 PACKS. HERE'S PART OF A NEW SONG: FEELIN EASY

FEELIN EASY BABY
BREEZIN THROUGH THE BLUES
BOUGHT HALF SLEEPY BABY
BUT WHO'S TO PICK-U-CHOOSER
I GOT THE TATTOOS
A PIERCED EAR
BOTTLE OF THAT ROT-OUT BOOZE
HEY...I AIN'T PAT BOONE
BUT I'D SURE JUST AS SOON
HAVE ME A PAIR OF HIS WHITE BUCK DANCIN SHOES
AH
WE'D GO DANCIN INTO THE DARKNESS
LIKE HEADLIGHTS ON THE TREES
YEAH YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE UP-TOWN
TO GET LOW-DOWN WITH ME

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Description
He is going to play music in Sun Valley for a week and do a print titled Skeletons Watch Romantic Puppets Dance in Mexico. He has made some pieces with lead and also one called Legacy, which he had to chew several hundred pieces of gum for. Included lyrics for new song called Feelin' Easy.