

I SHOT THE SHERIFF

Words and Music by Bob Marley

Strum Pattern 8, 6

Bright Reggae (played as )

Gm



Cm7



I shot the sher - iff, but I did - n't shoot no

mf

Gm7



dep - u - ty, oh, no, oh.
ooh, ooh, ooh.

2

Eb



Dm7



Gm7



Yeah.

All a - round in my home - town
Sher - iff John Brown al - ways hat - ed me;

(2)



they're try - in' to track me down,
for what, I don't know. _

yeah. They say they want to bring me in a guil - ty
Ev - 'ry time I plant a seed,



for the kill - ing of the dep - u - ty,
he said, "Kill it of the be - fore_ it grows."

for the life of a dep - u - ty.
He said, "Kill them be - fore_ they grow."



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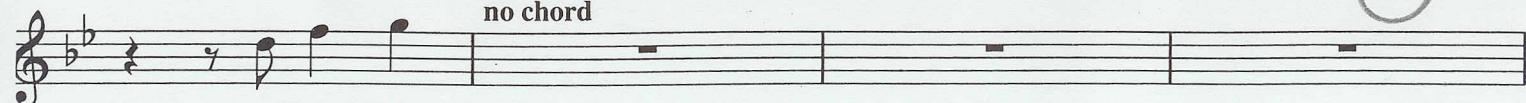
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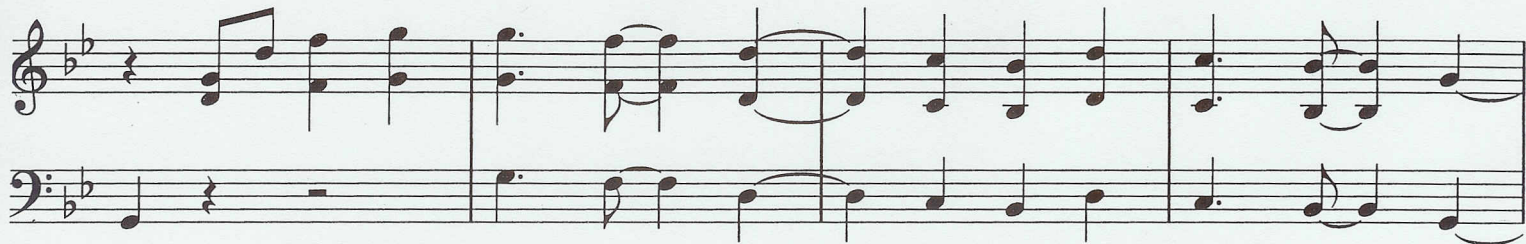
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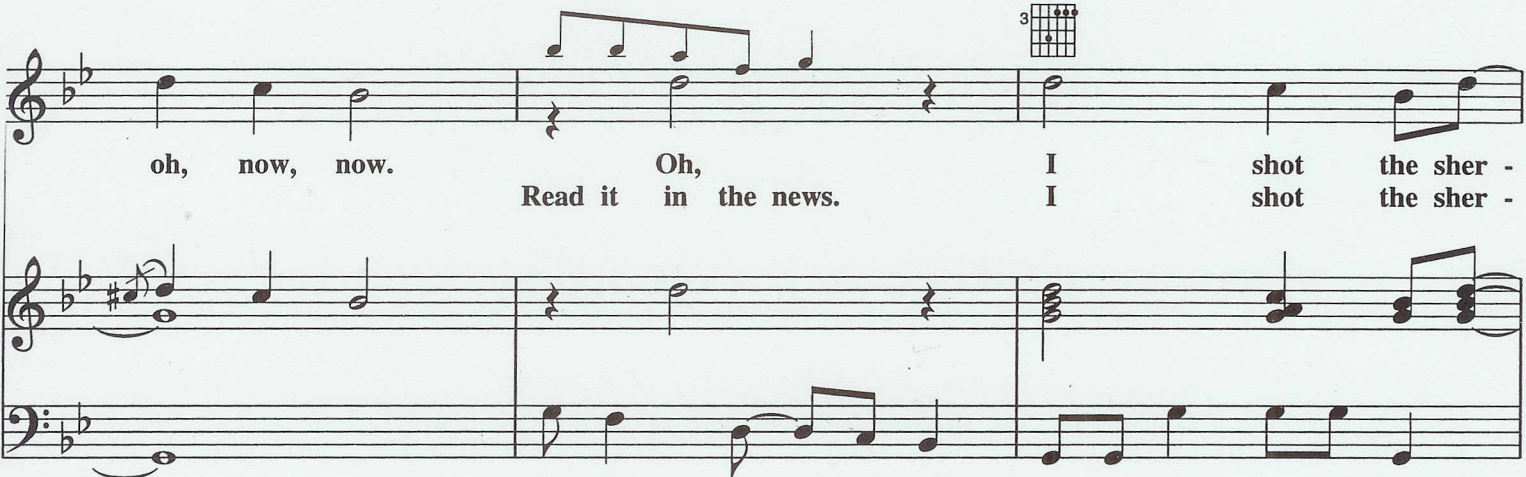
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But I say,
And so,



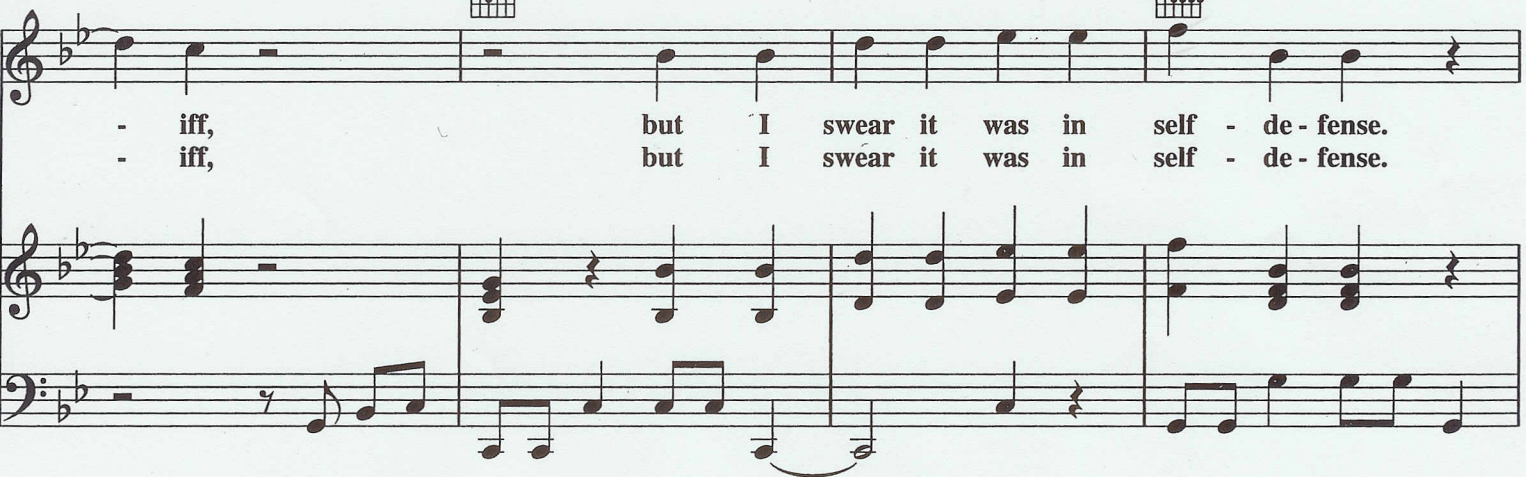
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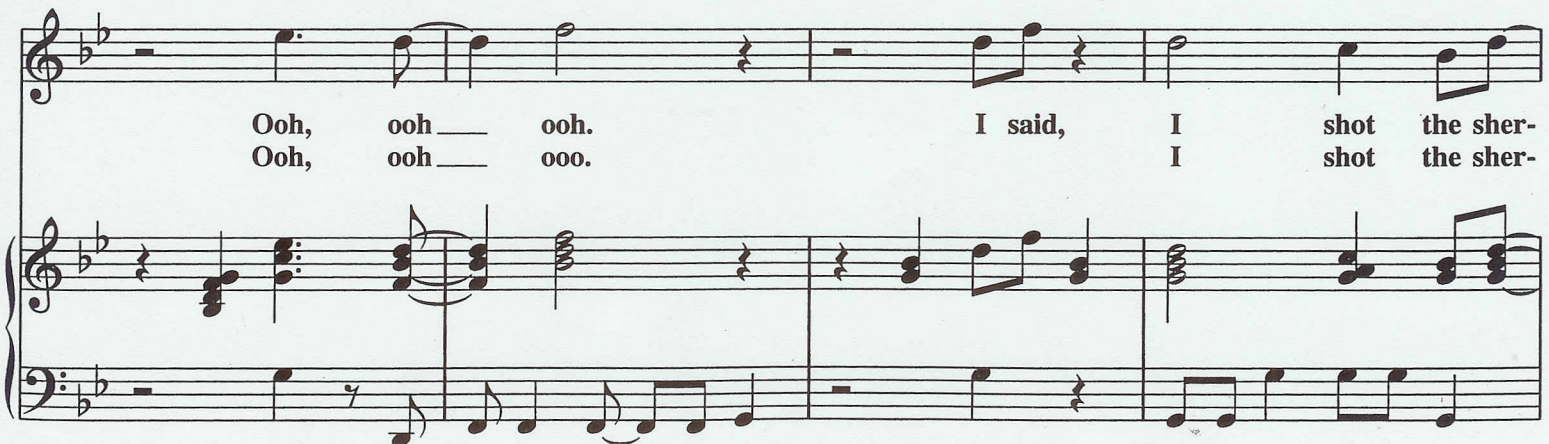


Gm7



Ooh, ooh — ooh.
Ooh, ooh — ooo.

I said, I shot the sher -
I shot the sher -



Cm7



Gm7



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- iff, oh, Lord, and they say it is a cap - i - tal of - fense
- iff, but I swear it was in self - de - fense.

Ooh, ooh, — ooh. Hear this.

Free - dom came my way one day and I
flex - es had the bet - ter of me. And

start - ed out of town, — yeah!
what is to be must — be. — Ev - 'ry

E $\flat$ Dm7 Gm

day All of a sud-den I saw sher - iff John Brown,
the buck-et a - go a well;

aim - in' to shoot me down.
one day the bot - tom ago drop out. So, I

E $\flat$ Dm7 Gm7

shot, I shot, I shot him down. _____
One day the bot - tom ago drop out. _____ And I say,
I say,

shot, I shot, I shot him down. _____
One day the bot - tom ago drop out. _____ And I say,
I say,

E $\flat$ Dm Gm

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shot, I shot, I shot him down. _____
One day the bot - tom ago drop out. _____ And I say,
I say,

no chord To Coda $\oplus$

if I am

if I am

guil - ty I will pay.

Gm Cm7

I shot the sher - iff, but I say, but I did - n't shoot no

Gm7

dep - u - ty, oh, no, — oh.

Cm7

I shot the sher - iff, but I did - n't shoot no

Gm7



7

D.S. al Coda

dep - u - ty,

ooo, ooo, — ooh.

Re -

CODA

Gm7



I,

I,

I,

I

Cm7



shot the sher - iff,

but

I

did - n't shoot the dep - u - ty, —

Gm7



Repeat ad lib. and Fade

no.