

The Folk Song Army

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Earnestly

Bb7 Eb Ab Bb7 Bb9+

We are the Folk Song Ar-my, Ev-'ry-one of us
are in-noc-u-ous folk songs, But we re-gard 'em with
-ray for the Folk Song Ar-my, We will show you the

f *mf*

Eb Eb7 D7 Db7 C7 Fm 3

cares. We all hate pov-er-ty, war, and in-jus-tice,
scorn. The folks who sing 'em have no so-cial con-science. (Spoken) Why,
way. 'Cause we all hate po-ver-ty, war and in-jus-tice, And

1 Eb Bb7 Eb Bb7 2 Bb7 3

un-like the rest of you squares. There they don't e-ven care if
(Alternate:) Hoo - chords that are too hard to

Eb D7 Gm Dm

Jim - my Crack Corn. (Sung) If you feel dis-sat-is-fac-tion,
play.

Gm 3 3 Dm Ab 3 3

Strum your frus-tra-tions a - way, Some peo-ple may pre - fer

Eb Fm 3 G7 Bb7

ac - tion, But give me a folk song an - y old day.— The

Eb Ab Bb7 3 6

tune don't have_ to be clev - er, And it don't matter if you put a cou-pla ex-tra

Bb9+ Eb Eb7 D7 Db7 C7

syl - la - bles in - to a line. It sounds more eth - nic if it

Fm Eb B⁷ Eb D (Sung)

ain't good Eng - lish, and it don't e - ven got - ta rhyme... Excuse me - rhyne! Re -

(Spoken)

Melody

D Eb

mem - ber the war a - gainst Fran - co? _____ That's the

f

D Eb D

kind where each of us be - longs, _____ Though

Eb

he may have won all the bat - tles, _____ We had

D7 Bb7

all the good songs. So

Melody

rall.

Tempo I

Eb Ab Bb7 Bb9+

join in the Folk Song Ar - my, Gui - tars are the weap-ons we

mf

Eb Eb7 D7 Db7 C7 Fm 3

bring to the fight a-against pov - er-ty, war, and in - jus-tice,

3

Eb Bb7 Eb Ab Eb

Read-y! — Aim! Sing! —

poco a poco cresc. ff rall.