

## **Foolish notion**

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To show that killing people is wrong?  
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When the greatest warriors  
Are the ones who stand for peace

War toys are growing stronger  
The problem stays the same  
The young ones join the army  
While General What's-His-Name  
Is feeling full of pride  
That the army will provide  
But does he ask himself

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The problem stays the same  
The poor ones get thrown in prison  
While warden What's-His-Name  
Is feeling justified  
But when will the law be tried  
For never asking

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**Holly Near**

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SOPRANO  
ALTO

TENOR  
BASS

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Fine

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2.Death row is grow-ing long - er,the

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prob-lem-s stay the same.— The poor ones get thrown in pri - son while war-den what's his name

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— is feel-ing full of pride (of pride) — that the arm - y will\_ pro- vide, but does he ask him- self:  
is feel-ing just-i- fied (ti- fied) — but\_ when will he\_ be tried, for ne- ver ask- ing