Various, Other Pleasures

So, ya wanna be a hero kid?

Well, whoop-de-do!

I have been around the block before

With blockheads just like you

Each and ev'ryone a disappointment

Pain for which there ain't no ointment

So much fo excuses

Though a kid of Zeus' is

Asking me to jump into the fray

My answer is two words--

O.K.

You win

Oh gods

Oy vay!

I'd given up hope that someone would come along

A fellow who'd ring the bell for once--

Not the gong

The kind who win trophies

Won't settle for low fees

At least semi-pro fees

But no--I get the green horn

I've been out to pasture

pal, my ambition gone

Content to spend lazy days and to graze

my lawn

But you need an advisor

A satyr, but wiser

A good merchandiser

And ohh!

There goes my ulcer!

I'm down to one last hope

And I hope it's you

Though, kid, you're not exactly

A dream come true

I've trained enough turkeys

Who never came through

You're my one last hope

So you'll have to do

Demigods have faced the odds

And ended up a mockery

Don't believe the stories

That you read on all the crockery

To be a true hero, kid, is

a dying art

Like painting a masterpiece,

it's a work of heart

It takes more than sinew

Come down to what's in you

You have to continue

To grow

Now that's more like it!

I'm down to one last shot

And my last high note

Before that blasted

Underworld

Gets my goat

My dreams are on you, kid

Go make them come true

Climb that uphill slope

Keep pushing that envelope

You're my one last hope

And, kid, it's up to you