

Phil Ochs, Outside Of A Small Circle Of Friends

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They've dragged her to the bushes, and now she's bein' stabbed,
Maybe we should call the cops and try to stop the pain,
But Monopoly is so much fun, I'd hate to blow the game,
And I'm sure it wouldn't interest anybody,
Outside of a small circle of friends.
Ridin' down the highway, yes my back is gettin' stiff,
Thirteen cars are piled up, they're hangin' on a cliff,
Now maybe we should pull them back with our towing chain,
But we gotta move, and we might get sued, and it looks like it's gonna rain,
And I'm sure it wouldn't interest anybody,
Outside of a small circle of friends.
Sweating in the ghetto, with the colored and the poor,
The rats have joined the babies, who are sleepin' on the floor,
Now wouldn't it be a riot if they really blew their tops,
But they've got too much already and besides we've got the cops,
And I'm sure it wouldn't interest anybody,
Outside of a small circle of friends.
Oh there's a dirty paper using sex to make her sale,
The Supreme Court was so upset they sent him off to jail,
Maybe we should help the pain and take away his fine,
But we're busy reading Playboy and the Sunday New York Times,
And I'm sure it wouldn't interest anybody,
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Smokin' marijuana is more fun than drinkin' beer,
But a friend of ours was captured and they gave him thirty years,
Maybe we should raise our voices, ask somebody why,
But demonstrations are a drag, besides we're much too high,
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