

Dead in the water

It's not a paid vacation The sons and daughters Of city officials (1)_____ demonstrations It's (2)_____ a sink or swim When all is well if the ticket sells Out with a whimper It's not a blaze of glory You look down from your temple As people endeavor to make it a story And chisel a marble word But all is lost if it's never heard But I've got someone to make reports That tell me how my money's spent To (3)_____ my stays and draw my plans So I can't tell what's really there And all I need's a great big: Congratulations I'll keep your dreams

Fill in the gaps

You pay attention for me	
As strange as it seems	
I'd rather dissolve than have	you ignore me
The ground may be moving f	ast
But I tied my boots to a broken mast	
The (4)	is clear
You throw it in your cauldron	
Rust and veneer	
Dusk and dawn (5)	and Baldwins
You (6) with a	simple stock of all the waste
And salt to taste	
But damn my luck and damn these friends	
That keep on combing back	their smiles
I (7) my grace wit	h half-assed guilt
And lay down the (8)	upon the lawn
Spread my (9) and soak up:	
Congratulations	



- 1. attend
- 2. hardly
- 3. book
- 4. difference
- 5. Steinways
- 6. start
- 7. save
- 8. quilt
- 9. arms

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