M.T.A.-Kingston Trio
Jacqueline Steiner, Bess Hawes

(Speaking)These Are The Times That Try Men's Souls
In The Course Of Our Nation's History, The People Of Boston
Have Rallied Bravely Whenever The Rights Of Men Have Been
Threatened
Today, A New Crisis Has Arisen
The Metropolitan Transit Authority, Better Known As The
M.T.A., Is Attempting To Levey A Burdensome Tax On The
Population In The Form Of A Subway Fare Increase
Citizens, Hear Me Out. This Could Happen To You.

(D) Well, Let Me Tell You The Story Of A (G) Man Named Charlie
On A (D) Tragic And Fateful (A) Day
He Put (D) Ten Cents In His Pocket, Kissed His (G) Wife And
Family, And Went To (D) Ride On The (A) M.T.(D)A.

(Chorus) Well Did He Ever Return, No He (G) Never Returned
And His (D) Fate Is Still Un(A)Learned
He May (D) Ride Forever, 'neath The (G) Streets Of Boston
He's The (D) Man Who (A) Never Re(D)Turned

Charlie Handed In His Dime At The Kendall Square Station
And He Changed For Jamaica Plain
When He Got There The Conductor Told Him, One More Nickel
Charlie Couldn't Get Offa That Train (Chorus)

Now All Night Long, Charlie Rides Through The Station
Crying, What Will Become Of Me
How Can I Afford To See My Sister In Chelsea Or My Cousin In
Roxbury (Chorus)

Charlie's Wife Goes Down To The Scully Square Station
Every Day At Quarter Past Two
And Through The Open Window She Hands Charlie A Sandwich
As The Train Comes Rumbling Through (Chorus)

Now You Citizens Of Boston, Don't You Think It's A Scandal
How The People Have To Pay And Pay
Fight The Fare Increase, Vote For George O'brien
Get Poor Charlie Off The M.T.A. (Chorus)