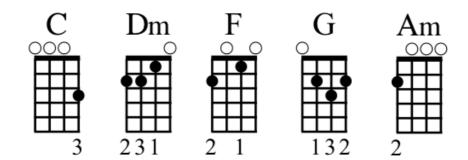


Billy Bragg



INTRO

C Dm F G Am F G C

VERSE 1

C Dm F I was a miner, I was a docker

G Am F G
I was a railway man between the wars

G Am F

I raised a family in times of austerity

G Am F G C

With sweat at the foundry between the wars

VERSE 2

G Am F C

I paid the union and as times got harder

G

I looked to the government to help the working man

C Dm F

But they brought prosperity down at the armoury G Am F G C

We're arming for peace, me boys, between the wars

VERSE 3

C Dm F

I kept the faith and I kept voting

G Am F G

Not for the iron fist but for the helping hand

G Am F

For theirs is a land with a wall around it

G Am F G C

And mine is a faith in my fel - low man

F C

VERSE 4

G Am F C

Theirs is a land of hope and glory

G

Mine is the green field and the factory floor

C Dm F

Theirs are the skies all dark with bombers

G Am F G C F C

And mine is the peace we know between the wars

VERSE 5

C Dm F

Call up the craftsmen, bring me the draftsmen

G Am F G

Build me a path from cradle to grave

G Am F

And I'll give my consent to any government

G Am F G C

That does not deny a man a liv - ing wage

VERSE 6

G Am F C

Go find the young men never to fight again

G

Bring up the banners from the days gone by

C Dm F

Sweet moderation, heart of this nation

G Am F G C F C

Desert us not, we are between the wars

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