

Yellowcake

A protest song by Peter Brunette

1. Well, George says to Tony, “Come and scratch my back
And help me find a reason to invade Iraq.
We need a good excuse, some kind of smoking gun.”
And Tony says to George, “I think there might be one.

CHORUS 1: “Yellowcake, yellowcake!
It ain’t the sort of recipe you’d want to bake,
But put it in a document, even one that’s fake,
And we could start a war over yellowcake.”

2. The story got passed along to Condy Rice,
Who passed it back to George, and so they told it twice.
Now, she said it clear, but he said it loud,
“The smoking gun could be a mushroom cloud.”

CHORUS 2: Yellowcake, yellowcake!
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But put it in a document, even one that’s fake,
And they could start a war over yellowcake.

3. Ambassador Wilson, he went to Niger,
A-looking for some evidence that wasn’t there.
It must have been a forgery, that memorandum
That said Saddam Hussein had bought uranium.

CHORUS 2

4. Then Judy Miller heard it from the White House,
A juicy bit of gossip about Wilson’s spouse,
When Scooter Libby said, “I mustn’t tell you her name,
But she’s an undercover agent known as Valerie Plame.”
5. Now, the wheels of Justice have ground mighty fine,
So Judy and Scooter both had to resign.
But ain’t Justice still got some bigger fish to fry,
And won’t she catch Tony and George in their lie?

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