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#### INTRODUCTION

Some time before Phil Ochs died April 9, 1976, in Far Rockaway, NY, he gave a benefit concert for <u>Broadside</u>. He brought us about \$500. He also had the concert taped and he turned the tape over to us with the suggestion we make an LP Album out of it. "Let's give 'em one more broadside," he said. (It took us some time to realize that there was a certain tone of finality in this remark.) We played the tape and commented "there's not enough material on here to make a whole album and, besides, some of your best and strongest songs are missing." Phil laughed and pointed out "Look, you've got other tapes of mine. I don't think there's a single song I ever wrote that I didn't tape for

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all yours. Have Moe Asch put it out." This album is the result. In "Pleasures Of The Harbor" the sailors enjoy a few hours ashore -- with prostitutes and wine -- and then it's back to the ships to work for their masters. "That's What I Want To Hear" is especially significant in these times, when millions are being thrown out of their jobs, their dignity being destroyed as they face starvation and loss of homes and property. Phil says he doesn't want to hear their complaining; what he wants to hear is that they are ready to get together and fight back. In "I'm Gonna Say It Now" Phil declares nobody's going to make him shut up. "Changes" is one of his most lyrical songs in which he gently tells us change is inevitable. "Golden Ring" is about the four Black girls who were dynamited to death in a Birmingham church. The ring was on a hand found among the debris. The "Days Of Decision" are still with us. "Santo Domingo" and "United Fruit" are among Phil's strongest attacks on U.S. imperialism. "Crucifixion" is America being killed by its capitalist/criminals. In "A Small Circle Of Friends" tragedies which should shock the whole nation turn out to be of concern to only a small group who happen to know the victim. It is an intense appeal for unity. In "What Are You Fighting For?" Phil tells those super-patriots eager to fight overseas to ignore their lying leaders and wipe out injustice in America. "Win the wars at home," Phil says. Finally, in "Ringing of Revolution" Phil gives up entirely on reform and looks forward to the total annihilation of the Capitalist System and its liberal and middle class toadies.

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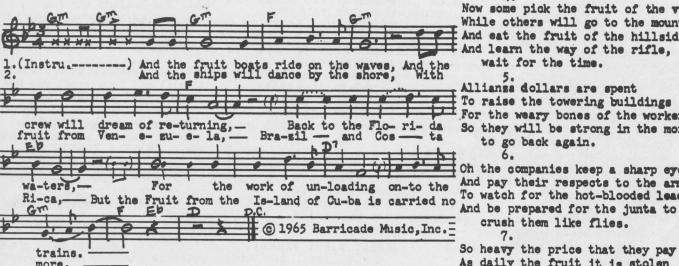
When Phil started visiting Broadside in 1962 he always came up with a new song or two. Once he had in his pocket seven songs he had written in a few days. Phil was always hungry and he explained his song ideas as he ate. Then he taped them for us. We lost track of how many we published. Recently a friend of ours, Jim Capaldi, indexed the Ochs' songs in Broadside. He came up with a total of 69!

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## United Fruit Company



3. And on the decks it will lay Picked by the hands of the peons at the lowest possible wages While the profits are made by the strangers from far away.

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Words & Music by PHIL OCHS

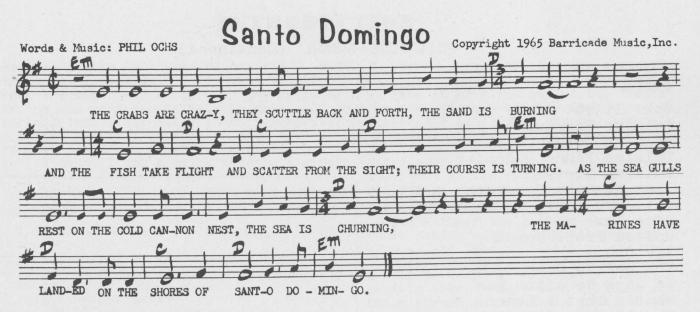
Now some pick the fruit of the vine While others will go to the mountain And eat the fruit of the hillside And learn the way of the rifle, wait for the time.

Allianse dollars are spent To raise the towering buildings For the weary bones of the workers So they will be strong in the morning to go back again.

Oh the companies keep a sharp eye And pay their respects to the army To watch for the hot-blooded leaders crush them like flies.

So heavy the price that they pay As daily the fruit it is stolen Over the blue Carribean But the lenthening shadow of Cuba will hinder the way. (Repeat 1st verse)

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- 2. THE FISHERMEN SWEAT, THEY'RE PAUSING AT
  THEIR NETS
  THE DAY'S A-BURNING
  AS THE WAR-SHIPS SWAY, AND THUNDER IN THE BAY
  LOUD IN THE MORNING.
  BUT THE BOY ON THE SHORE'S THROWING PEBBLES
  NO MORE
  HE RUNS A-WARNING
  THAT THE MARINES HAVE LANDED ON THE SHORES
- 3. THE STREETS ARE STILL, THERE'S SILENCE IN
  THE HILLS
  THE TOWN IS SLEEPING
  AND THE FARMERS YAWN IN THE GREY SILVER DAWN
  THE FIELDS THEY'RE KEEPING
  AS THE FIRST TROOPS LAND, AND STEP INTO THE

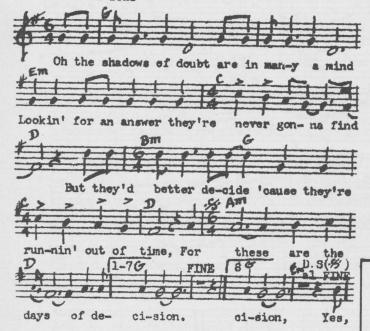
OF SANTO DOMINGO.

- SAND
  THE FLAGS ARE WEEPING
  THE MARINES HAVE LANDED ON THE SHORES OF
  SANTO DOMINGO.
- 4. THE UNSMILING SUN IS SHINING DOWN UPON
  THE SINGING SOLDIERS
  IN THE CLOUD DUST WHIRL, THEY WHISTLE AT THE
  GIRLS
  THEY'RE GETTING BOLDER
  THE OLD WOMEN SIGH, THINK OF MEMORIES GONE BY
  THEY SHRUG THEIR SHOULDERS
  THE MARINES HAVE LANDED ON THE SHORES OF SANTO
  DOMINGO.
- 5. READY FOR THE TRICKS, THEIR BAYONETS ARE FIXED NOW THEY ARE ROLLING
  AS THE TANKS MAKE TRACKS PAST THE TREMBLING SHACKS
  WHERE FEAR'S UNFOLDING
  ALL THE YOUNG WIVES, AFRAID, TURN THEIR BACKS
  TO THE PARADE
  WITH BABES THEY'RE HOLDING
  THE MARINES HAVE LANDED ON THE SHORES OF SANTO DOMINGO.
- 6. A BULLET CRACKS THE SOUND, THE ARMY HITS THE GROUND THE SNIPER'S CALLING SO THEY OPEN UP THEIR GUNS, A THOUSAND TO ONE NO SENSE IN STALLING HE CLUTCHES AT HIS HEAD, AND TOTTERS ON THE EDGE LOOK, NOW HE'S FALLING THE MARINES HAVE LANDED ON THE SHORES OF SANTO DOMINGO.
- 7. IN THE RED PLAZA SQUARE, THE CROWDS COME TO STARE THE HEAT IS LEANING AND THE EYES OF THE DEAD ARE TURNING EVERY HEAD TO THE WIDOW'S SCREAMING BUT THE SOLDIERS MAKE A BID, GIVING CANDY TO THE KIDS THEIR TEETH ARE GLEAMING THE MARINES HAVE LANDED ON THE SHORES OF SANTO DOMINGO.
- 8. UP AND DOWN THE COAST, THE GENERALS DRINK A TOAST
  THE WHEEL IS SPINNING
  AND THE COWARDS AND THE WHORES ARE PEEKING THROUGH THE DOORS
  TO SEE WHO'S WINNING
  AND THE TRAITORS WILL PRETEND IT'S GETTING NEAR THE END
  WHEN IT'S BEGINNING
  THE MARINES HAVE LANDED ON THE SHORES OF SANTO DOMINGO
  (REPEAT FIRST VERSE).

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## Days of Decision

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Oh, the games of stalling you cannot afford, Dark is the danger that's knocking on the door, And the far-reaching rockets say you can't wait anymore, For these are the days of decision.

In the face of the people who know they're gonna win,
There's a strength that's greater than the power of the wind,
And you can't stand around when the ice is growing thin,
For these are the days of decision.

I've seen your heads hiding
'neath the blankets of fear,
When the paths they are plain
and the choices are clear,
But with each passing day, boys,
the cost is more dear,
For these are the days of decision.

There's many a cross that burns in the night,
And the fingers of the fire are
pointing as they bite,
Oh you can't let the smoke keep on
blinding all your sight,
For these are the days of decision.

Now the mobs of anger are roamin' the street,
From the rooftops they are aimin'
at the police on the best,
And in city after city
you know they will repeat,
For these are the days of decision.

There's been warnin's of fire, warnin's of flood, Now there's a warnin' of the bullet and the blood, From the three bodies buried in the Mississippi mud, Sayin' these are the days of decision.



## The big cancer

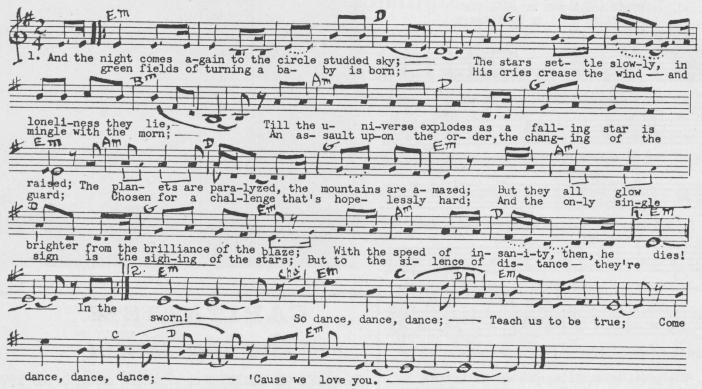
The DAYS OF DECISION are still upon us in 1976. War production has passed the 100 Billion Dollar mark while services to the people are being drastically cut. The U.S. continues military and economic aid to reactionary regimes all around the globe. Puerto Rico and the Panama Canal zone struggle for their independence from American imperialism. The American Indians want freedom. Corporate corruption continues rampant with thievery at home and bribery abroad. Racism increases. Crime is skyrocketing; pollution spreads. In order that banks can swell their profits, millions of workers are fired, hospitals and schools are closed, cities are rapidly decaying. New York City is becoming a second Calcutta. The CIA and FBI demand to keep on their criminal activities. The aging live on animal food and die in their own excrement in nursing homes run by criminals. And THIS IS ON-LY A BEGINNING OF THE ISSUES TO BE DECIDED.

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There's a change in the wind,
and a split in the road,
You can do what's right or
you can do what you are told,
And the prize of the victory will
belong to the bold,
Yes, these are the days of decision.



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- 3. Images of innocence charge him to go on
  But the decadence of history is looking for a pawn
  To a nightmare of knowledge he opens up the gate
  A blinding revelation is served upon his plate
  That beneath the greatest love is a hurricane of hate
  And God help the critic of the dawn
- 4. So he stands on the sea and he shouts to the shore
  But the louder that he screams the longer he's ignored
  For the wine of oblivion is drunk to the dregs
  And the merchants of the masses almost have to be begged
  Till the giant is aware that someone's pulling at his leg
  And someone is tapping at the door. (Chorus).
- 5. Then his message gathers meaning and it spreads across the land
  The rewarding of the fame is the following of the man But ignorance is everywhere and people have their way And success is an enemy to the losers of the day In the shadows of the churches who knows what they pray And blood is the language of the band.
- 6. The Spanish bulls are beaten the crowd is soon beguiled
  The matador is beautiful a symphony of style
  Excitement is ecstatic passion places bets
  Gracefully he bows to ovations that he gets
  But the hands that are applauding are slippery with sweat
  And saliva is falling from their smiles. (Chorus).
- 7. Then this overflow of life is crushed into a liar
  The gentle soul is ripped apart and tossed into the fire
  It's the burial of beauty it's the victory of night
  Truth becomes a tragedy limping from the light
  The heavens are horrified they stagger from the sight
  And the cross is trembling with desire
- 8. They say they can't believe it, it's a sacreligious shame
  Now who would want to hurt such a hero of the game
  But you know I predicted it I knew he had to fall
  How did it happen, I hope his suffering was small
  Tell me every detail, I've got to know it all
  And do you have a picture of the pain? (Chorus).

- 9. Time takes her toll and the memory fades
  But his glory is growing
  in the magic that he made
  Reality is ruined
  there is nothing more to fear
  The drama is distorted
  to what they want to hear
  Swimming in their sorrow
  in the twisting of a tear
  As they wait for the new thrill parade
- 10. The eyes of the rebel
  have been branded by the blind
  To the safety of sterility
  the threat has been refined
  The child was created
  to the slaughter house he's led
  So good to be alive
  when the eulogies are read
  The climax of emotion
  the worship of the dead
  As the cycle of sacrifice unwinds.
  (Chorus).

