

### Yankee Doodle

1. Father and I went down to camp  
along with Captain Goodin'  
And there we saw the men and boys  
as thick as hasty puddin'.

#### CHORUS

Yankee Doodle keep it up  
Yankee Doodle dandy.  
Mind the music and the steps  
And with the girls be handy.

2. Yankee Doodle went to town  
A ridin on a pony.  
Stuck a feather in his hat  
And called it macaroni.

3. There was Captain Washington  
Upon a slapping stallion,  
A-giving orders to his men:  
I guess there were a million. *Refrain*

4. And there I saw a swamping gun,  
Large as a log of maple,  
Upon a mighty little cart;  
A load for Father's cattle. *Refrain*

5. And every time they fired it off,  
It took a horn of powder;  
It made a noise like Father's gun  
Only a nation louder. *Refrain*

6. And there I saw a little keg,  
Its head all made of leather,  
They knocked upon't with little sticks  
To call the folks together. *Refrain*

7. I can't tell you half I saw,  
They kept up such a smother;  
I took my hat off, made a bow,  
And scampered home to Mother. *Refrain*

## CHECKS AND BALANCES

all { Now, the government works like a great, gigantic triangle.  
No one holds all the power; that's made quite clear.  
There are three branches of power in the great big triangle.  
That's why a dictator never could make it here.  
Checks and balances, checks and balances, checks and  
balances.

solo 1 { Now, one of the branches of power is the Executive.  
That's the President of the United States,  
The highest office in the land, you can be positive.  
It's the President who administers affairs of state.

solo 2 { Now, another branch of power is the Legislative.  
That is where they make the nation's laws.  
The Senate and the House form the Legislative,  
Americans all loyal to our cause.

solo 3 { Now, the other branch of power is the Judicial,  
The highest court, Supreme in all the land.  
That's where they interpret the laws and make them official.  
Deciding what each law means, they take their stand.

all { Now, everybody checks on everybody else.  
No one always gets his own way.  
Yes, everybody checks on everybody else,  
Keeping all the power in play.

### Goober Peas

1 Sitting by the roadside on a summer day,  
Chatting with my measmates passing time away.  
Lying in the shadow underneath the trees,  
Goodness how delicious! Eating goober peas!

#### CHORUS

Peas, peas, peas, peas, eating goober peas!  
Goodness, how delicious, eating goober peas.

2 Just before the battle, the general hears a row,  
He says, "The Yanks are coming; I hear their rifles now!"  
He turns around in wonder and what do you think he sees?  
The Tennessee Militia eating goober peas!

3 Now our song has lasted almost long enough.  
The subject's interesting, but rhymes are mighty rough.  
When the war is over, then, free from rage and fears,  
We'll kiss our wives and sweethearts and gobble goober peas!

### Follow the Drinkin' Gourd

1. When the sun comes back and the first quail calls  
Follow the drinkin' gourd,  
Then the Old Man is a waitin' for to carry you to freedom  
Follow the drinkin' gourd.

#### CHORUS

Follow the drinkin' gourd, follow the drinkin' gourd  
For the Old Man is a waitin' for to carry you to freedom,  
Follow the drinkin' gourd.

2. Now the river bank'll make a might good road;  
The dead trees'll show you the way.  
And the left foot, peg foot a travelin' on  
Just you follow the drinkin' gourd.

3. Now the river ends between two hills;  
Follow the drinkin' gourd.  
And there's another river on the other side  
Just you follow the drinkin' gourd.