

## ***The Eagle Rock Rock & Eagle Shop***

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written for Bettina Hubby...as requested

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BACK IN 1964, IN THE DAYS BEFORE  
EITHER ED OR I GOT FAMOUS  
OUR PLAYS ON WORDS, WHEN THEY OCCURRED  
SERVED TO ENTERTAIN US.

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FOR EXAMPLE, AS A SAMPLE  
THE TOWN OF EAGLE ROCK  
BROUGHT TO MIND, THE TWO COMBINED  
A SHOP WITH BOTH IN STOCK

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PIECES OF EYE-THER AND BOTH TO-GUY-THER  
WHATEVER SHRIEKS TO YOU  
PALINDROMICALLY CLEVER, WORDS OF A FEATHER  
DOOZIES OF ART DERRING DO!

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THANKS TO HUBBY, WHO'S UBER EXUBER  
ANT ARTWORKS OF COLLAB CO-OP  
FOR THE EAGLE COLLECTOR AND ROCKHOUND PROSPECTOR  
AFTER 48 YEARS...THERE'S A SHOP!

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## ***J. Edgar Swoop***

Music and Lyrics by Mason Williams

(INSTRUMENTAL INTRO)

1) As everyone knows  
The eagle's supposed  
To be the symbol of freedom  
They're very respected Government protected  
It's against the law to eat 'em

2) On dollars and collars

'N medals for scholars  
'N flags that wag in the wind  
On American stuff  
Rightly enough,  
The eagle is proudly penned

3) Now, with such a position  
In American tradition  
Eagles are responsible birds  
Moral delinquencies  
And idiosyncrasies  
Are seldom, if ever, incurred

4) But there once was an Eagle  
Who was not very regal  
By the name of J. Edgar Swoop  
'Twas quite often heard  
"That bird's absurd,  
'N he oughtta be kept in a coop!"

(INSTRUMENTAL BREAK)

5) An example I'd say  
Would be his toupee  
Which he thought made him look debonair  
'N headin' down the pike  
He'd always hitch-hike  
He never did travel by air

6) 'N he hung around  
The scene down town,  
He said, "Them mountains are dull.  
In town, good chance  
At a local dance  
I'll meet a beautiful gull."

7) To circle and soar  
'S the right kind of chore  
For an eagle, but it wudn't for Swoop  
Instead, for sport  
He held court  
In bars, while getting looped

8) Another curveball  
Was he had the gall  
To dress like a golfer's caddy  
The sight of him clad  
In pink & blue plaid  
Drove red, white & blue's batty

(INSTRUMENTAL BREAK)

9) At the C.I.A.  
J's dossier  
Made it all the way to up to the boss.  
In the meeting they held  
A Senator yelled  
"Un-American! Albatross!"

10) "Well, there's only one choice  
Said the People's Voice  
America's depending on us  
We've gotta find this bird  
And give him the word  
E Pluribus Unum or bust!"

11) So the F.B.I. Director  
(The Federal Bird Inspector)  
Was called in to fill the bill  
"This J. bird", he said  
"S'gone out of his head,  
I 'spect he's gone over the hill."

12) An F. B. I. ace  
Was put on the case  
To make J. claw the line  
But he just wouldn't listen  
'N they threwed him in prison  
To pay for his trait-errors crime

(INSTRUMENTAL BREAK)

13) In the Government Town,

The hammer went down,  
Congress commenced to scrimmage.

"The symbol of the country's  
In the penitentiary  
American needs a new image."

14) The measure was born  
'N committees were formed  
To find a new Yankee Doodle  
'N son-of-a-gun!  
The critter that won  
Was none but the miniature poodle!

15) Some argued the facts  
(what a poodle lacks)  
"Besides," they said, "they're French!"  
"Yeah..." said the committee,  
"So's the Statue of Liberty."  
'N it went up before the bench.

16) Well, the measure was passed  
And the law at last  
Was entered on Government logs  
J. Edgar, nonplussed,  
Shook his head in disgust,  
America's gone to the dogs!

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