

Ode to the Front End

Oh where does this Bard begin much less end
We the front end of store 0884 have
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And no one in corporate gives a Damn.

We struggle and serve to serve and struggle
Dreams transformed into nightmares of grovel
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And no one in store 0884 gives a Damn.

They bring their throngs flood our floors
Flat cars and lumber carts strewn as if war
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And still no one to give a Damn.

We stand as one alone stricken in woe
Still they come with ceaseless flow
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And no one else to give a Damn.

Never remembered rewarded nor appreciated
Morale droops becomes constipated
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
What are these to give a Damn

No carts buggies gurneys systems to help our stay
We battle but lose each day
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
No one cares to give a Damn.

We do our best alas futilely failed no repose
Forgotten forlorn never forgiven exposed
No Mamma no Pappa no Uncle Sam
Nor do unforgiven give a Damn

Disparaged dismissed denied hung out to dry
Eyes dulled ears stopped Gotterdammer rye
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And what human could give a Damn

Toil and sweat increasing regret trudge through day
Not quite dead but no longer alive in ever darkening quay
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Who cares if chattel gives a Damn.

Deliberate indifference or indifferent deliverance each day
Home Depot demands all employees fall in this way
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And Burt Reynolds does not give a Damn.

They bring them in to have them leave
Do what will don't what won't as pleased
No Mamma No Pappa and No Uncle Sam
You think they give a Damn.

Last first wrong right 0884 blue
Work system or it shall you
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Who in this system gives a Damn

They build up to tear down
Aspiration hope strangled wretches bound
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Wretches bound don't give a Damn.

They say treat customers best way
While relate to us another way
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And they don't give a Damn.

They cut our hours because they can very rude
Consumed we are like toothpaste from a tube
No Mamma no Pappa no Uncle Sam
Squeezed tubes do not give a Damn.

Suggestions from horde sprawl on floor
Senseless wrong crushed their box smashed like a boar
No Mamma no Pappa no Uncle Sam
Suggestions never did give a Damn

Failure to schedule schedules failure
Impaled often employed seldom enjoyed behavior
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Impaled do not give a Damn.

They schedule five for all to see when need only three
Three becomes one or two because do not see
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Five or three who gives a Damn.

Middle open during day only three for coverage stay
During night five for coverage in way
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
And scheduling does not give a Damn.

Control narrative essential for fun
Then wonder why they the pun
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Puns don't give a Damn.

Hired from Lowes thrust into Customer Service
Sent paddle buyer to Garden not PRO for purchase
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Depot not Lowes Damn.

See something say something be unappreciated
Denied dismissed disparaged never vindicated
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Whistles throttled don't giving a Damn.

Caesar his Brutus Lincoln his Booth Kennedy his train
Store 0884 would do well to profit learn from same
No Mamma No Pappa and No Uncle Sam
These never knew to give a Damn.

Promote by plumbing and melanin because they can
Melanin deprived with plumbing pound sand
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Melanin deprived do not give a Damn.

Selected new HC based on plumbing
Told rest to keep on slumming
No Pappa No Mamma No Uncle Sam
No way having three male HCs Damn.

Algorithms leave part time employees adrift
No rhyme nor reason always confusion on shift
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Algorithms do not give a Damn.

They use texts to act as pests
On call whenever suits geste
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Endless texts do not give a Damn.

Godot waits in Spain for rain to fall on plain
Not entering this store for gain nor fame
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Beckett does not give a Damn.

Women come and go there were servants too
Home Depot often acts like Timbuktu
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Timbuktu does not give a Damn.

Caught a break on four hours today
First time in four shifts came that way
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Break when convenient only Damn.

The Old Man and the Sea catch sharks steal
Work at Home Depot know how he feels
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Hemingway does not give a Damn.

Christy Lea no kingdom by the sea on this lifeless shore
Imprisoned by ginseng and drinks that bore
No Mamma No Pappa and No Uncle Sam
And who is this to give a Damn.

A Rabid squirrel she locked in frenzies seizes wheel castor
Turning faster and faster going forward only to disaster
No Mamma No Pappa and No Uncle Sam
Rabid squirrels do not give a Damn.

Roaming store with customers in tow
Self checkout abandoned a disastrous row
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Towed does not give a Damn.

Imprisoned like flies in glass web bin
Christy Lea's chatter drones on no hope for end
No Mamma No Pappa and No Uncle Sam
Endless chatter does not give a Damn.

Christy leaves notes for ponder and wonder
Thrown rock with hidden hand often plan auger
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Ponder and wonder do not give a Damn.

Hatchet to back bus to under
Christy habit of tearing asunder
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Hatchet and bus don't give a Damn.

Christy takes care of Christy rarely gets hurt
Ever frisky leaves others in lurch or dirt
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Frisky never gives a Damn.

0884 has record no other store can match
No functioning front end supervisor in three years natch
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
What's a FES who knew to give a Damn.

Leadership by example right out the door
Queen Christy of absence excuses galore
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Since when did excuses give a Damn.

Marley dead this must be known
Christy wants not this job and groans
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Old Marley does not give a Damn.

Returned from vacation stomach pummeled by virus
Upset whole front end by not being among us
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Vacation extended does not give a Damn.

Christy lives grief for all to see naturally
In drama scenes acts and lies beautifully
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Unwed but has mother in law Damn.

Bennies and speed by gross Christy consumes
Roils floor out the door even to doom
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Speed freaks do not give a Damn.

Flummoxed and flustered not kind to rote
Sometimes circumstances run over goat
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Goats ram but never give a Damn.

When not entombed Christy leaves room for care
From time to time does for others dare
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
This Christy can give a Damn.

A cash register genius for all to see
Customer engaged made special indeed
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Customers know this Christy Damn.

Christy perishing grieve to see
Incredible thoroughbred exhausted muddy lee
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
A tragedy this an awful Damn.

Horse with limp knee makes grimace and gimp
Buckling one step at a time in hope of a splint
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Palominos doomed Damn.

Cortisone injected for knee treatment
Christy recovered believed an achievement
No Mamma No Pappa No Uncle Sam
Cortisone dissolves bone Damn.