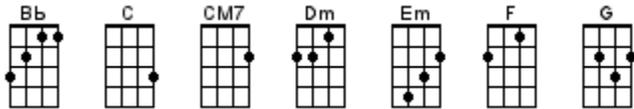# Hello In There

John Prine 1971

INSTRUMENTAL INTRO: / 1 2 / 1 2 /

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[C] And Joe is [Dm] somewhere on the [G] road [G]
[Cmaj7] We lost Davy in the Ko-[F]rean war [F]
And I still don't [C] know what for [C]
Don't matter [G] anymore [G]

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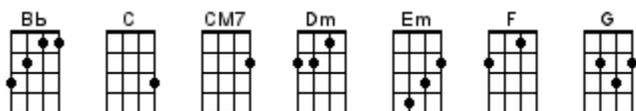Like some for-[C]gotten dream [C]
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[C] Someday I'll [Dm] go and call up [G] Rudy [G]
[C] We worked to-[Dm]gether at the facto-[G]ry [G]
[Cmaj7] But what could I say, if he [F] asks what's new? [F]
"Nothin' [C] what's with you [C]
Nothin' [G] much to do" [G]

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[C] So if you're [Dm] walkin' down the [G] street sometime [G]
[C] And spot some [Dm] hollow ancient [G] eyes [G]
[Cmaj7] Please don't just, pass them [F] by and stare [F]
As if you [C] didn't care [C]
Say hel-[G]lo in there, hel-[C]↓lo