Oh, well, let's talk 'bout acid already

The story takes place in San Francisco, especially the

Haight-Ashbury region was

phenomenon that occurred

during the summer of 1967,

people, mostly young people

sporting hippie fashions of dress

and behavior, gathered together.

when as many as 100,000

<u>Kid Charlemagne</u>

Band's title is a reference to "Steely Dan III from Yokohama", name of a steam powered dildo from the novel "Naked Lunch" by William S. Burroughs.

While the music played you worked by candlelight

Those San Francisco nights You were the best in town

known for "Summer of Love" Just by chance you crossed the diamond with the Main character, Kid Charlemagne,

pearl

You turned it on the world That's when you turned the world around Did you feel like Jesus Did you realize

That you were a champion in their eyes

is actualy Owsley Stanley, "The King of LSD" as Roling Stone magazine called him. Probably, the most famous LSD producer of his age.

Stanley was the first private individual to manufacture mass quantities of LSD. By his own account, between 1965 and 1967, Stanley produced no less than 500 grams of LSD, amounting to a little more than ten million doses at the time.

He also happens to be the soundman for the rock band Grateful Dead.

And this is his story...

This refers to the poor-quality of LSD which was distributed.

On the hill the stuff was laced with kerosene But yours was kitchen clean

Everyone stopped to stare at your technicolor motor home

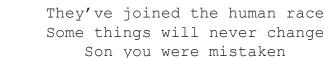
Every A-Frame had your number on the wall You must have had it all You'd go to L.A. on a dare And you'd go it alone Could you live forever Could you see the day

Could you feel your whole world fall apart and fade away

> Get along Get along Kid Charlemagne (2x)

Now your patrons have all left you in the red Your low rent friends are dead This life can be very strange Vivid color paint brand name All those <u>Day-Glo</u> freaks who used to paint the The Electric Kool Aid Acid Test face

Owsley's association with Ken Kesey and the Grateful dead is described in Tom Wolfe's novel



You are obsolete

Look at all the white men on the street

Clean this mess up else we'll all end up in jail

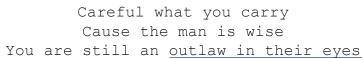
Those test tubes and the scale Just get them all out of here Is there gas in the car Yes, there's gas in the car

I think the people down the hall Know who you are

Careful what you carry Cause the man is wise

Owsley Stanley, had his lab raided in 1965.

Actualy, there was not Owsley Stanley, who was arrested after his car ran out of gas.



By the time this song was written in 1976, Owsley Stanley had served time in prison



