

Section: The Doors0

Context: On December 9, 1967, the Doors performed a now infamous concert at New Haven Arena in New Haven, Connecticut, which ended abruptly when Morrison was arrested by local police. Morrison became the first rock artist ever to be arrested onstage during a concert performance. Morrison had been making out with a girl fan backstage in a bathroom shower stall prior to the start of the concert when a police officer happened upon them. Unaware that he was the lead singer of the band about to perform, the officer told Morrison and the girl to leave, to which Morrison said, "Eat it." The policeman took out a can of mace and warned Morrison, "Last chance", to which Morrison replied, "Last chance to eat it." There is some discrepancy as to what happened next: according to *No One Here Gets Out Alive*, the girl ran and Morrison was maced; but Manzarek recounts in his book that both Jim and the fan were sprayed. The Doors' main act was delayed for an hour while Jim recovered, after which The Doors took the stage very late. According to an authenticated fan account that Robbie Krieger posted to his Facebook page, the police still did not consider the issue resolved, and wanted to charge him. Halfway through the first set, Morrison proceeded to create an improvised song (as depicted in the Oliver Stone movie) about his experience with the "little men in blue". It was an obscenity-laced account to the audience, describing what had happened backstage and taunting the police, who were surrounding the stage. The concert was abruptly ended when Morrison was dragged offstage by the police. The audience, which was already restless from waiting so long for the band to perform, became unruly. Morrison was taken to a local police station, photographed and booked on charges of inciting a riot, indecency and public obscenity. Charges against Morrison, as well as those against three journalists also arrested in the incident (Mike Zwerin, Yvonne Chabrier and Tim Page), were dropped several weeks later for lack of evidence. CANNOTANSWER

STUDENT: **What was the new haven incident?**

TEACHER: ⇨ "" (The concert was abruptly ended when Morrison was dragged offstage by the police.)

STUDENT: **Why dd the police take him?**

TEACHER: ⇨ "" (Morrison said, "Eat it." The policeman took out a can of mace and warned Morrison,)

STUDENT: **what happened next?**

TEACHER: ⇨ "" (The policeman took out a can of mace and warned Morrison, "Last chance",)

STUDENT: **Was he arrested and charged?**

TEACHER: ⇨ Yes, "" (Morrison was taken to a local police station, photographed and booked)

STUDENT: **How did this resolve?**

TEACHER: ⇨ "" (Charges against Morrison, as well as those against three journalists also arrested in the incident (Mike Zwerin, Yvonne Chabrier and Tim Page), were dropped)

STUDENT: **What did the Doors do after this?**

TEACHER: ↗ "" (CANNOTANSWER)

STUDENT: **what was most interesting about this incident?**

TEACHER: ⇨ "" (were dropped several weeks later for lack of evidence.)

STUDENT: **Did they tour anymore after the incident?**

TEACHER: ↗ "" (CANNOTANSWER)