Wrecking Ball

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Look out boys, 'cause I'm a rollin' stone That's what I was when I first left home I took every secret that I'd ever known And headed for the wall Like a wrecking ballStarted down on the road to sin Playin' bass under a pseudonym The days were rough and it's all quite dim But my mind cuts through it all Like a wrecking ballOh, just a little deadhead Who is watching, who is watching? I's just a little deadhead I won a dollar on a scholarship Well, I got tired and let my average slip Then I's a farmer in the pogonip Where the weed that I recall Was like a wrecking ballI met a lovesick daughter of the San Joaquin She showed me colors I'd never seen Drank the bottom out of my canteen Then left me in the fall Like a wrecking ballStandin' there, in the morning mist A Jack and Coke at the end of my wrist Yes, I remember when first we kissed Though it was nothing at all Like a wrecking ballHey boys, just a little deadhead Who's watching, who's watching? I's just a little deadhead With too much trouble for me to shake Oh, the weather and the blindin' ache Was ridin' high until the '89 quake Hit the Santa Cruz garden mall Like a wrecking ball

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