Tulare Dust

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Tulare dust in a farm boy's nose Wondering where the freight train goes Standin' in the field by the railroad track Cursin' the strap on my cotton sackI can see mom and dad with shoulders low Both of 'em pickin' on a double row They do it for a livin' because they must That's life like it is in the Tulare dustThe California sun was something new That winter we arrived in '42 And I can still remember how my daddy cussed The tumbleweeds here in the Tulare dustThe valley fever was a common fate To the farmworkers here in the Golden State And I miss Oklahoma but I'll stay if I must And help make a livin' in the Tulare dustThe Tulare dust in a farm boy's nose Wondering where the freight train goes Standin' in a cotton field by the railroad track Cursin' the strap on my cotton sackI see mom and dad

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