

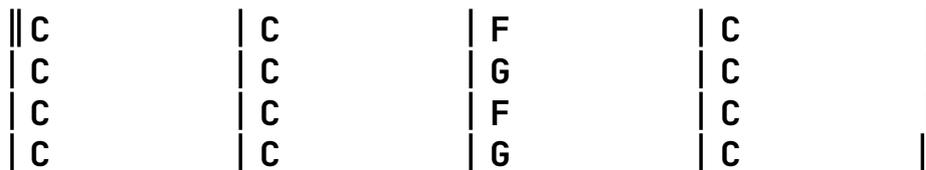
Paradise

When I was a child my family would travel
 Down to Western Kentucky where my parents were born
 And there's a backwards old town that's often remembered
 So many times that the memories are worn

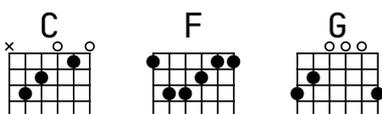
So Daddy won't you take me back to Muhlenberg County
 Down by the Green River where Paradise lay
 Well, I'm sorry my son, but you're too late in asking
 Mister Peabody's coal train done hauled it away

Sometimes we'd travel right down the Green River
 To the abandoned old prison upon Adrie Hill
 Where the air smelled like snakes and we'd shoot with our pistols
 But empty pop bottles was all that we'd kill

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Then the coal comp'ny came with the world's largest shovel



C G C
They tortured the timber, they stripped all the land
 C F C
Well, they cut it all down lookin' for that coal
 C G C
An' they wrote it all down as the progress of man

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When I die let my ashes float down the Green River
 C G C
Let 'em roll on up to the Rochester Dam
 C F C
I'll be halfway to heaven with Paradise waitin'
 C G C
Just five miles away from wherever I am

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