

Thea Gilmore, Brother Can You Spare A Dime

Once I built a railroad, made it run
Made it race against time
Once I built a railroad, now it's done
Brother, can you spare me a dime?

Once I built a tower to the sun
Brake and rivet and line
Once I built a tower, now it's done
Buddy, can you spare me a dime?

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Full of that Yankee-Doodle-dum
Then half a million boots went truckin off to Hell
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Say, don't you remember? I'm your pal
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Oh, buddy, can you spare me a dime?
Yeah, buddy, can you spare me a dime?