In the later forties
When Diddy Levine lived with Eunice King
He gave her the ring that she wore

Janice the smiling daughter
Who came from a marriage way before
But Eunice was the father that she always saw

Though they never never never told her She always knew the score You see kids were so much wiser after the wars

But Diddy hadn't have enough
She had to get some more
On a ration piece of paper, she wrote "Eunice, I'm not sure"

And with her child in her arms

She went looking for a fling

Besides, she didn't like the name Mrs. King

The first time that she heard Damper Dan Was on the radio Crooning at a volume that was way, way down low

Diddy was surprised to hear that Damper's name was Dan Soon after he was a calling And he asked, begged and pleaded for her hand

Damper's heart was dampened When Diddy answered "no, no, no, no, no" But if she changed her mind, she said "Dan, I'll let you know"

With her child in her arms

She went looking for man

Besides, she didn't like the name Damper Dan

Janice the smiling daughter grew up to be a teenage queen Through all of her mother's lovers

She kept the name Levine

Behind the picture house she first made her scene With a boy called Allister Who was dating a friend called Celine

And Celine wasn't mad when Janice came in between But Allister got scared when he heard And he joined the USA Marines

Inheritance, you see,
runs through every family
Who is to say what is to be is any better

Over and over it goes, goodness and badness winds blow

Over and over, over and over and over and over and over and over

The good and the bad winds blow