

# CHILDREN OF TALAS

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D A D

He was a child of eleven,

A D

And so were all his classmates.

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They took the same lessons

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From the same young lady,

G A D

Studied for the same exams.

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D A D

They all played the same games,

A D

And ran after the same round ball.

G A

Their meals from the same couldron,

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Biscuits from the same canteen

**G            A                    D**

**And water from the same old tab.**

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**CHORUS**

**G            A            D**

***Talas is in their minds,***

**G            A            D**

***In their hearts and in their souls...***

**G    A            D**

***They all go back there***

**G            A                    D**

***To look for the children they once were.***

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**The stone-wall dorm was ice cold;  
They warmed it up with their laughters.  
And from there to upper campus,  
They used to count their steps  
All the way to the famous flight of stairs.**

**They all climbed the huge stone steps  
In fall, in winter and in spring.  
They climbed to learn about  
Life, love and mankind,  
Hand, head, health and heart**

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**CHORUS**

*Talas is in their minds,  
In their hearts and in their souls...  
They all go back there  
To look for the children they once were.*

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What a brotherhood they developed;  
It was the envy of everyone.  
It was like, "One for all and all for one".  
If one fell, all fell;  
If one triumphed, they all did triumph.

They didn't know it was impossible,  
So they all did it one by one,  
No place for selfishness or greed;  
With such learnings, they all marched  
From boyhood to manhood.

**CHORUS**

*Talas is in their minds,  
In their hearts and in their souls...  
They all go back there  
To look for the children they once were.*

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They sang their national anthem with pride,

Hoisted their crescent-and-star flag.

Now a senior gives the tune

For the school anthem

And cheerfully they all join in:

**D A D A D**

*"All hail Talas to thee, our school of life and light,*

**G D A**

*Our goal is Turkish manhood to match Erciyes height.*

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Bombalaki bombalaki bom bom bom!

Talas Talas zım zım zım!

Bombalaki bombalaki bom bom bom!

Tarsus Tarsus zım zım zım!

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