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I think of the view from a favorite arroyo in the late afternoon, the east slope still bathed in sunlight, the far slope already full of dark shade and lengthening shadows. A cool breeze, as one can look across the plains, out over miles of homes and trees, and hear the faraway hum of traffic on the high-ways and see the golden light filtering through the mist-laden air. Carey...

To own an orange grove in Southern California is to live on the real gold coast of American agriculture. Carey McWilliams, Southern California: An Island on the Land //

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