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#### LARRY EIGNER:

the staggered walls, pictures a distance held up involvements of space, mountains on the sky heaps

the man with wings, the tall corner of the hill, niche of the sea, implied mouth furrows of wood, up here, down past the ships bear a gong

muffled in sails
a damp rises from the water which
will renew beauties the refraction, geometries
of the far off

brown, reds
 a tower in the street, moon's
stone, the light

and a fiction flying from history
 gray
like a motorcycle, dead winking
 over romantic tides, the blue

cubed full on a homely beach

the traffic a kind of parade

from here you could see the sea the waves beyond it the point not now the street bulges to one side with stores below offices, glasses, what more can you have? a jeweler's, bicycles pedal through.

a woman craning behind

between the boards ignitions cartwheels strips of boxes in boxes

the replete uses, the snow again, the few trees by the joined stone, the rising steeple, the diffuse patterns of glass, the dingy, bowed branches in the air

of a vague night

notes actually stomach

gods
and heroes in speechlessness
stealth of voice
quietness by this gate
as at dead night the
phantom of games effigy the
gothic trumpet soars

and forget again, cloud fades the silk within

sky rowing the lake no volcano above monte nuovo desert among clothes-hangers

sleep of a grand mime

pour out bathwater

citizens
(of the depths)

three times to Ravenna Rome echoes

hut bent away to the sand hills wheat

imagination crowds heat

beautiful dead-end
the retiring sound
bay through the angled tree
corrosion the low sprinkler
paths remain
departures from silence keeping to
the small towards size, or
the earth and the floor enough
at the sky

SHADOW

the twin-windowed gable
 sits
on the hill

sidewise

above the store

The flagpole was made for certain days

no axiom exists in the air

part levering trees

burnt autumn roar

and last night's wind, greater than the hurricane I can remember

the pavements climb

## **ENCLAYES**

smoke
all day the institute
powerhouse now
planes again hove by
the corridors light above
sirens, after the crash
this wall off toward the bay

inhalation man who gulped some gas

pneumonia

lye

nurses married each other a couple of years and that one, job left for a small town

Larry Eigner's

poem can readily be found in the January issue of <u>Poetry</u>; The anthology, <u>The New American Poetry</u>, 1945-60; <u>IMAGO</u> (Sta. 2, 127 13th Avenue, N. E., Calgary, Alberta); and <u>Magazine</u>.

MENKE KATZ

## IN THE AUTUMN PARK

A hero in bronze, rain-blinded in the autumn park. Birds stain his gallant ire, he is all pitiful love. On the kind bronze rest stray sisters of the flood-drenched dove, in search of a green olive-leaf out of Noah's ark.

Battle-spent -- a crowned bore, he prays for downfall or hell. Gloom frightens each trembling glimmer of his faded wreath. Good to see the leaves around him fall as yellow myths. Only the saddest leaves which never grew never fell.

Dusk. Cherubs are wing-maimed, unborn children craving light. The hero, sorrow-wreathen, tomb-eyed, a stoned captive, does not know he was ever born, hence he never lived. He may scare as a ghost, if left with a child at night.

The sea-gray trees face the oldest pirate -- solitude.
I heard dead leaves say: No darkness is blind. no stone mute.

#### A CHASED MOUSE

The woe and panic of a chased mouse is murder. Her shadow in the moonlit fissure resembles my grief: dainty-limbed, a graceful dream, dressed in sensitive fur, and I am shabby to the core and I am clumsy as a rock.

Menke Katz'

poems have appeared in the Atlantic Monthly, Sewanee Review, Prairie Schooner, Midwest Quarterly, Fiddlehead, and many others. His collection of prems entitled Land of Manna will appear soon. The book can be acquired from Jacob Blank, 377 Montgomery Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. by sending \$4.00 (\$3.00 advance order). Menke Katz is also editor of the quarterly poetry magazine Bitterroot (5229 New Utrecht Avenue, Brooklyn, 19, N. Y. - \$2.50 a year, 75¢ a copy).

When I was invalid,
my skeleton's length of arms and legs
warped along each trembling limb
and, my mind torn
between the body and the brain,
this gnarled world,
where I fumbled with two blind hands,
was a world in whose plan
fingers were ten malformed thumbs.

Place my statues in a painted niche.
Sing my sainted name with praise.
Yet, let each disciple discover this:
strength and health
are the frantic twist
of the invalid.
And we breathe,
in the bellows of our exercise,
the permanence of the body's perfect death.

## · A GIANT'S HOUSE

Nora takes a world for stage, lets down her Samson-hair for Jason's sword turned Delilah--shears instead. Temples fallen, Medusa's head is crowned with the old poisons, in a classic theatre's mirror, of her frozen-rooted rage, which only Stanleys blanch.

# KIRBY CONGDON

is author of <u>IRON ARK</u> (\$1.00), <u>A CENTURY OF PROGRESS</u> (50¢), and <u>LANDSCAPE</u> (\$1.00), all of which can be ordered from <u>INTERIM BOOKS</u>, Box 35, Village Station, New York, 14, New York. He is also Editor of MAGAZINE, unfortunately now out of print.

I want very much to be able to send you this letter, Coming as I do at the end of a century's joy with fatigue. And although I, too, understand what it is to hold each other So blissfully in a permanent caress, that that gives me A little sensation whose improbably beauty asserts itself In the photos and letters I've hoarded. My dearest, please Do not decide otherwise to disappear in the unceasingly Appearance of the "Black Knight" who mounts his horse, Ready to seize everything that is not his and go away The nights are getting longer without ever hearing from you. There is still that chance you may escape and will your way Home to show you are not the mother of his child. Graced with The shadows of living where night expires on the glass The beautiful Princess takes off her clothes, looks at Her body in the lake, strays quietly to the stone tower To fall in love the flowers in her hair become flames again As I recall how sad their shadows were which passed.

## SOME SUICIDES

The new day begins with a sneeze. I assuage myself
In the enormous wings of an extraordinary actuality.
Everything moves toward the glass and aluminum
Constructions, as if being new made any difference,
And it does! Though Sergie doesn't write from Rome,
Of that city at which what is real and what is
Imagined are one. At L'Interdit we begin
In the temper of it. This makes the eye see less
Everyday as its nature comes into view in "The Poems".
I wonder if Kenneth Lane bought a new wristwatch today
Or whether Charles Henri Ford is back at the Dakota House,
And if everyone is beginning to talk about me, seriously,
For a change? We make too much of life that sometimes
The search for happiness is itself a search for happiness
Of which this is one and you don't know it and it never ends!

GERALD MALANGA'S

poems have appeared in <u>The New Yorker</u>, <u>The Minnesota</u>

<u>Review</u>, <u>Locus Solus</u>, and others. He currently is writing book reviews regularly for <u>Kulchur</u> and an Associate Editor of the New View Editions published by Charles Henri Ford (Paris-Rome-Athens-New York).

MAX HALPEREN

HANNIBAL

The rain trumpets; It swallows lawn, House, and yard;

Beyond mere fertility, Those enormous Tulips you grew

One year; beyond The grey flakes Of one sky

And one felicity, The gentle hurry Of bringing the chairs in;

In the entrails of this elephant, Breaking shutters. Flexing floors and walls,

We are taken over narrow Alps, North of the sun, South of god,

To fight entire Marble legions, with only our Trumpeting love

And one great beast; That foreign place Defeats us,

After some delay;'

Return to lawn, House, violated street,

And a rainy tiger.

GUY OWEN

A LITTLE LOVE POEM

Yes.

how when you rise from your chair arranging your dress I breathe

and

the room

(bookshelves blue walls oh shining air) arranges itself around

you.

LAURENCE PRATT

INTO

late winters, rocks cold, river steel flowing. trees silent. From one a rush of brown corpuscles, the tree's life bodied in personality: the squirrel hunches on the ground gnawing into a hard hull like William Carlos Williams brooding into a problem.

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## DAVID WADE

EASY DOES IT

What scares me Sometimes Is I'm afraid I'm going blind Said the blindman Sitting up In bed but so what Said the completely Deaf guy Who couldn't hear A word So what if you'd Like to whisper Sweet somethings Into your sweet gal's ear it Could be very Much a nuisance said The man Whose tongue had been torn out In the latest Car wreck I get it Said a moron behind a tattered To master the harpsichord You only need Fingers.

#### JOHN BRODERICK

Flutes in the desert
The sound of sand
Noise beneath my window
The air

## RICHARD JARWORSKI

#### WARM ONE

White moon arctic wolves leap wildly in the red balloon of cheek; blue wolverines swim in the woods of rain on black ice lakes of eyes; and canaries fly yellow the hair of the boy who swings in the branches of the sun.

...on a starless boundry, a naked negro sharpened stone teeth poured in moving knife stalks... Accompanied by a ruby dog. the blind boy limps furry plains of palm never to know finger-edge.

#### DAVID WADE

has been widely published in little magazines: Lynx, Folio, South and West, Goliards, Green Worlds, Poetry Unlimited, and his latest appears in Trace 51

RICHARD JARWORSKI

is a Standard Oil trainee in Tampa. This is his first nationally published poem
JOHN BRODERICK

is a student at Boston University

## LESLIE WOOLF HEDLEY EXCERPT FROM MY DAILY LIFE

My clock burns sleep down to dawn and nearby sea breathes like an asthmatic beast. Monday advances on every wave.

Again I begin that tournement of words, the action of arms, legs, ideas.

Letters arrive from typewriter continents and new hands signature mine.

They enter with storm or sun blaze of strangers adventuring my life.

My energy is spent in hellos and goodbyes.

I become heated by their fevers but my fists are tied. They want advice but deserve justice. There are no rimes left for me to lie. Truth leaks out in blank verse of facts. Their education was a fraud. The jobs they need are no longer there. Today is stolen from them. The lives they have are now for rent.

And I listen to griefs and groans of man as dusk grays my window with aging laceration and long lament.

## MARION SCHOEBERLEIN DOG AND ANGEL WEATHER

A storm is a shoe Without a foot, A suit without a man, A man without a name.

A storm is the cry Of old dead bones In the cemetery.

An angel and a dog Understand it. A storm is their Kind of weather.

## Some mimeo or duplicating process magazines now being published:

The Creative Review (Glen Coffield, P. O. Box 564, Eugene, Oregon, 97401) The Goliard (605 Azeele, Tampa, Florida 33606) Hoosier Challenger (8365 Wicklow Avenue, Cincinnati, 36, Ohio) Input (24 Olsen Street, Valley Stream, N. Y.) Intrepid (333 E. 5th Street, Apt. A-4, New York 3, N. Y.) Magazine (c/o Kirby Congdon, 102 W. 14th Street, New York 11, N. Y.) Poet's Bulletin (8880 Turner Lane, Denver 22, Colorado) A Poetry News Letter: The Desert Review Press (917 Idlewilde Lane, S. E., Albuquerque, New Mexico) Poetry Unlimited (1 Gallatin, Missoula, Montana) Poets at LeMetro (149 Second Avenue, New York) Secant (6515 Wydown Blvd., St. Louis 5, Mo.)
Sum (Fred Wah, c/o English Dept., University of New Mexico, Albuquerque) Twigs (Box 27, Franklin Square, L. I., N. Y.) Yowl (331 E. 5th Street, NYC 3, N. Y.) Jean's Journal of Poems (P. O. Box 15, Kanona, N. Y. 14856) Mother (Ronald Caplan, 230 North Craig Street, Pittsburgh 13. Penn.) Orange County Writer (P. O. Box 1, Santa Ana, California)

The superlative example of design and content in a mimeo publication is Kirby Congdon's Magazine, now out of print; but another is promised in Spring '65. Some of the poets in the last issue were Alden Nowlan, Daniel Moore, Barbara A. Holland, James D. Callahan, George Bowering, Larry Eigner, Ree Dragonette, Peter Salmansohn, and Miguel Grinberg. Other magazines presenting the vital new poetry are Yowl, Intrepid, Mother, and Input. Yowl #5 has Carol Berge, Jack Micheline, Barbara Moraff, and Lenore Kandel. Intrepid (March) has Will Inman, Allen DeLoach, Erik Kiviat, Allen Katzman and two members of the older generation, Allen Ginsberg and Peter Orlovsky. Mother 11 has George Montgomery. Input is truly an experimental magazine, and the result is exciting reading. Issue 1 has an interesting poem entitled "Space" by Jay Socin, and No. 2 was devoted entirely to the poems of William Wantling.

Poets at LeMetro presents poems in the poet's own handwriting. The April issue has an excellent poem, "Triptych" by Kirby Congdon. Poets of LeMetro also publishes collections, one being Absence by Dan Saxon (Series No. 2; October, 1963). The poems are in a direct style, often urbanly elegiac. An excerpt: "kids on the corner/ in Queens/ drink coke/ and smoke Marlboro/ they talk of/ how they escape/ from cops/ and how much/ they get from/ their girls;/ they look tired and sick."

Sum (with Ron Lowinsohn and Richard Duerdan) and the <u>Desert Review Newsletter</u> represent the Western branch of the new poetry, although New Yorkers (Paul Blackburn, Robert Kelly, and Kenneth Irby) are present. Although actually too varied to classify, the new poetry is largely an experiment in the American idiom and the music of the phrasal and breath break. Much use is made of the contributions of William Carlos Williams.

(Due to a financial limitation which will not allow another page, the comments on the other magazines listed will appear in the next issue)

## BOOK REVIEWS

SONGS OF THE REVOLUTION by Julian Beck, Interim Books

EXCUSOLOGY OF THE OCEAN by Robert Blossom, Interim Books

SEARCH by William Wantling, Interim Books

"HART CRANE" a Conversation with Samuel Loveman by Robert Blossom, Interim Books

The very title of Julian Beck's "first 35", as he describes his collection, is like a knell reminding us of the "Pink Decade", or the "Age of Anxiety". His poems, however, are beat rather than propaganda for the class struggle. "EXCUSOLOGY OF THE OCEAN" is remarkable for the words Robert Blossom has made up: e.g., "pseudoanglosaxonoids", "unexpressedness", "recognizingly", "sinside", "ohman". Usually in context they are self-explanatory but what, pray tell, is "excusology"? William Wantling's "SEARCH" seems to be for alliteration, images, unexpected rimes, and so on. And he looks for them mostly in the poetry of Ezra Pound, and T. S. Elliot.

"HART CRANE" is more than "a conversation with Samuel Loveman". It opens with "The Alert Pillow", "printed from the original manuscript...at Columbia University", and continues with Kirby Congdon's explication of the poem. Then there is an essay on the poet by Professor Ray C. Longtin of Long Island University, and, finally, what appears to be a transcription of the conversation. The little booklet would make a nice present for what Mr. Blossom shouldn't object to me calling a craneologist.

Francis J. Thompson

THE COMING OF CHRONOS TO THE HOUSE OF NIGHTSONG by Calvin C. Thornton Interim Books \$1.25

Here we have a vivid narration of the snatch and shout chaotic emergence of an American people in a calico nation. "The Legacy of the House", "The Metaphysics", and "Time for a Change", the three parts of this work, are a meticulously woven innovation of geography, cultural hypothesis and change. Mr. Fulton's curious melange of identity symbols which must convert themselves to a mother-destiny is striking enough to counterbalance his strong emphasis on the necessity of Chronos either going through a color wash or remaining in his turbulent state of megilp. "We the colored and white races of the South/will work together like hands/separated like fingers."

Author Fulton in his epic narrative comes to us with a bit of Whitman between his teeth, but something different is said, and many could listen, easily.

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