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Grace 1970

KD meeting with men re: Annette
His infatuation with Grace

Grace's arrival.

Seneca 1973-4

Town tension - generational

After
Annette
after 6:00
today

P. 111

Garden
rivalry
"now, at last
the god was lonely
enough to receive
him. The gender
rivalry that made her
laugh when she was
on the ranch - she
was deep into
in town

a novel
How can we describe
Bliss in
non sexual terms

Performance

... we deserved
time then

36,000
37,000

morally
opinionated
dictatorial

3.
360
360
720
3600
1080
(3%)

She ^{said.} ~~meant to say.~~

"Be ~~right~~ ^{back} ^{directly} ^{or} ^{Wanta} ^{gone} but a minute ^{minute}"

Meant to say it. Maybe she did say it. Anyway it was in her head to say

But she had to hurry quick before one of them gurgled. On the porch, the sidewalk now. Smatie's stride was purposeful. Somewhere important she had to be. Something important she had to do and it would take just a minute. And she would be right back.

[~~See~~ ^{was} They timing perfect - Annette is away at school, Jefferson out of town, Arnold at work in his furniture store.]

In time to massage the little bottoms, to ^{keep} ~~prevent~~ the ^{the} ~~bedsore~~ away, or to siphon ~~the~~ phlegm, or grind up ~~the~~ food in cradle or ring, ~~or~~ ^{or} ~~much~~ but mostly to watch.

cut the nicks, ^{or} ~~launders~~ ^{or} clean the teeth, ^{or} ~~launders~~ ^{or} the urine

Never takes her eyes off - unless M. was there and when then to watch as well because M.'s eyes weren't as sharp as they had ~~and~~ been once. ³ Jeff couldn't look, let alone watch. ² Smatie was the best at it.

In ^{hour} 8 shifts she and her mother-in-law - took turns. ¹ Others offered ^{like} repeatedly at first, regularly now - but ^{she} ~~Smatie~~ ^{declined} ^{while awake;}

The problem was not watching, ~~just~~ ^

The problem ^{was} ^{watching} ^{whole} ^{asleep} ^{for} ^{seven} ^{years} ^{she} ^{lay} ^{begin} on the

pallet near the ~~to~~ cribs, or even in
bed with Jeff, her breath threaded
her ear tunnels ready, every muscle
braced to spring. She dreamed a
little, but could not remember ^{what} ~~them~~
about.

So when dawn broke and M. came
in, ~~handing her a~~ ^{offering her a} ~~cup of coffee~~ ^{take}, Smetrie
stood to take it. ~~Automatically she~~
~~would relinquish~~ the watch

She knew M. had
already run her bath water, ~~and~~
~~folded a~~ ~~fresh~~ towel and fresh ~~night gown~~
over the chair in the bedroom. And
~~that~~ she knew M. would offer to do
her hair (braid it, roll it, scratch her
scalp) before or after she ^{bathed} slept. The
coffee ^{M. handing her} would be wonderful - dark and
loaded with sugar. But she ^{also knew} ~~thought~~
if she drank it, ^{this one time} ~~she~~ bathed and went to
bed ^{in morning sun} ~~while the sun~~ ^{she} would die and
who would watch her babies then?

So she took the ~~coffee~~ ~~sauce~~
and said, or meant to, Be back in a
minute. ~~Unwashed~~ ~~the~~ ~~cup~~ ~~sat~~ ~~on~~ ~~the~~ ~~dining~~ ~~room~~ ~~table~~.

Downstairs she put the cup and
sauce on the dining room table, unwashed

Coattails with uncombed hair she opened her front door and left. Quickly

Sleep, was ^{not} what she was thinking, rather somewhere to be unconscious, to walk till she dropped or fainted and then slipped into darkness for a little while.

Sweetie ~~walked~~ ^{traveled} the ~~whole~~ length of Central Avenue - looking straight ahead. Her legs were doing ~~a~~ brilliantly. ~~and~~ She did not know she was smiling.

Or did the woman staring at her from the bed of a 73 pick up. She thought Sweetie was crying.

and a black woman weeping down on a country road was enough to break her heart.

xxx
break her heart all over again.

The woman rapped the ^{cab} back of the window. The driver's wife shouted "what?" When the woman pointed at Sweetie, the man stopped the truck.

The Ford slowed ^{as it passed Sweetie} then stopped. and the couple. The driver and his wife recharged looks. Before the man leaned out the window. The crying woman was headed north; the truck South. "Need any help?" asked the wife. Sweetie did not turn her head

Wrong

730

On acknowledge the job. ~~the~~ ^{the} couple looked at each other, ~~before~~ ^{and} sucking teeth before shifting ~~gear~~ ^{into} drive.

Fortunately the ~~grade~~ ^{road} inclined otherwise the hitch hiker would have fallen when she jumped down from the back of the truck.

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The couple could see in the rear view mirror ~~the~~ ^{the} passenger they did not know they had ~~admitted~~ ^{joined} to ~~looked at~~ ^{looked at} ~~most~~ ^{pitiful} the damndest creature. they'd ~~behind~~ ^{seen} (over)

When the woman whose heart was breaking caught up with Sweetie she knew enough not to ^{touch or insert her self into the} speak, but ~~to walk~~ She walked a few paces behind ~~seeing the in~~ ^{seeing the in} ~~stop~~ ^{stop} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~determination~~ ^{determination}

Moved this way for a mile or two

studying ~~the~~ ^{shapely dark} ankles above ~~white~~ ^{white} loafers, the wrinkled ~~blue~~ ^{blue} shirtwaist ~~with~~ ^{with} bulging pockets, the hair - pressed flat ~~on~~ ^{on} one side - disheveled on the other.

fx { determined bubble that enclosed the crying woman had become

X

And every now and then a giggle Sob that sounded like a giggle. They x the wraith and her shadow. The hitcher going nowhere. The walker going on.

2:00

5:20
→ the ^{hitcher} hitch hiker going nowhere
trailed
and the
walker going anywhere

the hitcher

after

was on the table
meat/veg, X to send
and strain
knocking ^{hears} Kord out in
Occupying the ^{big}

X understand why
wasn't there and how
to get her to come back.

little boy lit
~~that~~ x had
prepared and the

teeth and wash her ears carefully

She also flushed ^{the toilet} right away,

and folded her socks inside her shoes not out. ~~She~~ ^{She} did not open the bread box where the ^{house} ^{poor} ^{cooks} were.

Prayers. If she did everything right
w/o being told ^{either} ₁ X would walk

in ~~the door~~ or when she knocked
on one of the apartment doors — there
She'd be!

4th day she stared out of the window ¹ ~~her~~ brushed her milk teeth till ~~the gums bled~~ ^{her toothbrush was red with blood} - 18

Through the warm rain sprinkle at
morning people going to work - Children to school. Then almost no
one - a old woman with a jacket ~~had~~ roofed above her head
a woman in cotton dress walked past against
the windows - no coat at all. ~~She was~~ the
Touching her eyes w/ back of her hand. ^{inside of wrist.} Till it was clear she was crying. ^{the rain}
another with string bags.

Later, when the case worker came
she ~~remembered~~^{thought} the crying woman
who looked nothing like X - was
not even the same color -

But before that ~~day~~ⁱⁿ - The 5th day
she found - or rather saw - something
that had been right in front of her
all along. Prayers answered = bleeding
gums, and hunger demoralized by

She gave up goodness and opened
the bread box. begin

a giant the moonpie was ^{the} an
envelope with her name
printed in lipstick. She

opened it and found a single
sheet with more lipstick words.

She could not understand any but
her own name and X's and "I
love you."

Happy. Happy. She folded the
letter, put it in her shoe.

and carried it for the rest of her
life. - fought for the right to keep it - hid it
over time. Then it had become simply
a sheet of paper.

Sheet of paper. Not one decipherable
word left.

6 years old in the 1st grade before
she could read the whole page.
She was an ardent student first-grade
student.

It made living with the care worker
for the 1st of ~~the~~ two foster homes
possible: the letter hidden in
her shoe.

And the crying woman
became an occasional heart-breaking
dream.

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130 = 40
131 = 41
132 = 42
133 = 43

Sympathy
Pity

Dear John;
Dr. rec.

Your belief agree
providing as the pain
G.A. whatever.
Only May line



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Now,

The woman ^{walking} in front of her ^{now} was no dream.

Snow ✓

fleece lined jacket

blue
and
gold

gets a Sarape from duffel bag

Sweetie flaps until she realizes woman is not stopping her. ✓

~~so~~ Chuckles - sob. ✓

Remembers ✓

Have passed $\frac{1}{2}$ hour ago as she had ~~stopped~~.

What could be reached in $\frac{1}{2}$ hr

in a truck would be reached maybe before evening.

Longs to hear her voice. ✓

Sees in her eyes that she is like people seen elsewhere: in hospital pacing - unconfident walk forever.

Keeps up with her. ✓

Talks.

(you can call me Sirs. Sweetie stops - ~~she is walking~~ next to Sir - wrapped in ^{to} cloak)

Arrive at house -

"Here we are."

Monday

Dr.

Wed

Thurs.

Monday home

Tues Dr.

in office

Wed - Fixed

Thurs. in office

looked around

file.

Friday

working on CAD map

The hitcher decided to spend
the time talking and ^{started out by telling} ~~told~~ the
girl her name. ^{introducing herself.}

✓ Smutie heard her and stumbled
for the 1st time. ^{as she turned} ~~while turning~~
her smiling - or crying - face toward
her ^{uninvited} ~~unsolicited~~ companion.

"Sir?" she thought. I
am walking next to Sir and
wrapped in its cloak? "Have mercy."
She murmured and chuckled - or sobbed.

Stories Seneca tells:

I had a ^{pet} x once, ~~upon a time~~

Second mother for my 12th B'day

still at bay - were mostly men. They had
reported your happy begin
in 1955, there was

time. The women who were

20 years they'd begun July 10 1950

had a level of property they had been given
and had properly the following

decade: refrigerators, gas stoves
inside toilets, vacuum cleaners.

washing machines - They's paper

humans, such as parents,

interfere and flout, for

there was time: 15 minutes

no food. Need to change in a kitchen

no clothes, no shoes, work boots

scrubbing - 10 minutes

to be beaten - no curtains

forced to a stretcher, old house

house

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The garden battles - won, lost,

still at bay - were mostly won. They had
aged forty years having begun
1 Suddenly in 1965, ^{when} there was
time. The women who were

20 when they'd begun Ruby is 1950
fx and experienced a level of prosperity ^{that never entered their}
for 13 years ~~they never dreamed~~ dreams
had ~~been~~ prosperity the following

fx / decade: refrigerator, gas stove
inside toilet, vacuum cleaner.

washing machines - 1 hour's pumped.

hummed, sucked, purred,
whispered and flumed. And

there was time: 15 minutes
no firewood Needed ^{tending in a kitchen stove} chopping - ^{one hour} when
no clothes needed, washboard

scrubbing - ^{10 minutes} no rug needed

to be beaten - no curtains
pinned to a stretcher, ^{because} no ~~have~~
Two hours

food lasted and ^{therefore} could be purchased
in greater quantity. TK — (over)

~~Somebody (?) thought to
plant manigolds near the
cabbage to keep bugs away
then more
then other~~

plants not growing
Then first year were given over
to ^{plants that} ~~flowers~~ - for no good reason
except there was time ^{in which} to do it
The habit, the interest, ^{in cultivating plants not} spread
and so did the ground ^{surrender} ~~to~~
to it. Exchanging, sharing
a stalk here, a root there, a
bush or two became ^{so} ~~part of~~ a
land grab, a few husbands complained
of neglect and the disappointingly

Sherwin - Wolman
Westinghouse
Kelvinator

Their husbands and sons, tickled
to death
and no less proud than ^{their women} they ~~translated~~ ^{translated}
~~the~~ ^{the} ~~weight~~ ^{weight} and understood price
per pound, or bale, or ^{half} weight
Kelvinators, ^{mayhaps} ~~mayhaps~~ as well as
not just only into ~~the~~ ^{the} equipment
into Philco as well as ^{John Deere} ~~John Deere~~
The white porcelain, ~~was~~ ^{was}

The more x because it layered with
(elegant) ~~stainless~~ steel - the x made

Bake Lite
belts and valves and ~~to motor~~ ^{parts}
~~provided~~ ^{satisfies} gave them ~~satisfaction~~ ^{satisfaction}
~~the~~ ^{the} ~~humming~~ ^{humming} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~humming~~ ^{humming}
~~delivered~~ ^{delivered} ~~proposed~~ ^{proposed} ~~time~~ ^{time}

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Small harvest of peas, & the
~~se~~ shorter rows of collards, beets
The miners kept good vegetable
gardens - but little by little
its produce was deemed not
necessary. The iris, however,
the ~~many~~ phlox and the ~~x~~ took
up more and more space, consumption
and time. Finally

swarm
butterflies journeyed from
miles to ~~span~~ ^{beach} ~~creases~~ in Ruby
Chrysalis hung in secret & (over)

Common Sulphur - clover

3. Becker's white - black mustard - sage flats

Red banded hairstreak - dwarf sumac (for nectar)

474 Solitary blue - mesquite, acacias - legumes.

486 Square-spotted blue - wild buckwheat

St
New butterfly's journey

there they joined the blues
and feeding in
the buckwheat and the sulphur
in the clover

Born in Buffalo

Moved to Tennessee (Cord for the)

Going to Texas w/ friend ? To see friend

Something happens to make her
hide. No money

~ Drift to Texas.

Dep.

Connie said she'd have to wait.

Too early for rhubarb. But if she

~~wanted~~ could do lemon or...

Joy/Grace declined - she ^{didn't really want} ~~was~~ ^{pie-} ~~she~~

just thinking of some ~~or~~ ^{or} ~~peak~~ ^{peak} who
had to be on the train. Now

She was stuck in nowhereville

with not no money. - back to hitching

Okay if I hang out a few days
Connie agreed provided she would
earn their keep. Help in the garden.

Oh shit said Sog whose
but in the
work life was warblers/dancer/
(Slap assistant) Can't stand
dirt. My man ~~has~~ made me.
but I hated it. I need a city

Rebecca
Chesapeake
Baltimore
Washington
D.C.

Software
for range
looking for
the window
morning
next
before
up
stop

Jgr saw him x times.

It was ~~after~~^{the} evening of next day when
one of the boys from the town came looking
the following ^{for her} ~~for her~~ ^{Gigi}

9/5/51

Morning passed her by partly because ~~there~~^{nothing}
she slept so deeply climbing out seemed
too hard and also because she'd
chosen the game room couch for rather
than a bedroom ~~near~~ ^{on} a floor
where ^{named Superior} ~~someone~~ ^{who was dead} ~~light as a feather~~ ^{nothing} had
died.

^{windows}
The game room entirely dependant on
electricity ~~light~~ ^{for} ~~has~~ ~~gone~~ ~~in~~ ~~this~~

(Kept her in X slumber till
1:00 in the afternoon. ~~When~~ She woke
up ~~meeting the gaze of Saint X~~ ^{a woman}
~~holding~~ ^{serving} her meats) on a platter like two
Baked Alaska.



That was the picture in ^{Gigi's} ~~her~~
mind as she went to find Connie
~~looked~~ ^{watched} the
boy watch her meats

It was [the first of] the woman
serving her meats ^{like two Baked Alaska} on a platter

That took all the kick out of
the boy's eyes. Gigi watched him
batter his stare & lose everytime

He said his name was K.D.

and tried hard to enjoy her
face as he talked. It was
an occasion ^{expected,}
a ~~thing~~ she ~~normally~~ rose to
and took pleasure in. ^{normally.} And

And But the picture she woke
to ~~in the game room~~ sported it
Unwilling to sleep on the floor
where a dead person had died,

Sozi chose the leather sofa in
^{because it had no windows}
the game room. ~~Dependant~~
and was dependant on electricity
for light - she missed the
morning & ^{entirely} woke in ^{the afternoon in a} darkness

hardly less than what she'd
fallen asleep in. ~~When she~~
~~woke it was~~ ~~after noon~~ & ~~hanging~~ on the

wall in front of
above her was the etching she had

Sleep / long
supply

passed over ^{mainly glanced at} when poking around
~~missed to her exploration~~

The day before. Now it loomed in the
x light that ^{snuck in from} the hall. A woman.

Flown on her knees with
[The Knack-down look,] ~~the~~

~~express~~ begging eyes ^(cast up) arms outstretched

~~in offering~~ holding ~~up~~ her present

to a lord. Saint Elizabeth

was engrained on a small

~~little~~ little plague.

Jozi laughed: Brass docks ^{hidden} in a box;
tits exposed on a plate - but in fact
~~she~~ it didn't feel funny.

So when the x boy ~~name~~

^{in there} near the kitchen door
pulled up next to the house
and blew his car horn, she had to
force TK

This smile was lovely and his voice "I
heard you was out here. Thought you
might be still," was engaging.

Who told you that

Friend. Well, a friend of a friend.

You mean that hearse-guy?

Uh huh.

walked
over to it
and

Brass
penis
hidden in
boxes -
tits
on a plate

to see
who ~~the~~
was the
woman
with the
tennis
diamond
look

I give you
look.

A & J. not there ✓

Janet Goldklang ✓ 572 2/33

Heather we after 2:00 tomorrow ✓

Eric Junior

Check - LCM 222 ✓
Nor Jazz Club

Night Sky

Western trees

Rocks - weather

what on earth,
he wondered,
must she
be thinking

Birds ✓

37 -93
34 290

They went for a ride and he took her everything
he knew. ~~When~~ she looked for shade

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State
1400 pers
slaves.

Breath and
all the eye's
uses

- You explain
your clothes
I'll explain
mine.
Where'd you
get those
pants for
instance?
- What's wrong with
them?

29.00
a month

- That's the shortest skirt I ever saw

- Minis, she said

They're called minis that in the real
world!

Isn't that make people stare? at you.

Stare. Drive. ^{for miles miles} Wreck. ^{Have car} Talk stupid.

~~I guess~~ You must like ~~that~~ ^{it} I guess that's what it's for
huh?

Nothing
You want to argue? Take me back.

Oh No. No.

sky -

Should have made her feel lonely
Instead she felt tall

Custom-made
designer sky

Annette said 3 months actually 5
Gae for abortion ^(in July at 7 months) - eats hot peppers?

Mavis & Grace say no

She delivers? Aborts? is child "murdered"

In 1973 when Seneca arrives
a child is there in Convent. Is it Annette's
or is it G. Gi's? Or found on porch?

and
the nothing
turned
out to
be

\$8000

What postponed the fight was ~~the~~ a
on the door and a girl in too tight clothes,
tapping on the screen
door.

Chatto -
Sept '97
Picador
License
ends
Heather

This sky was bigger spent
than everything - including

- upright head.

Minus the baptisms the place
had no real value. Everybody

Nobody needed What was needed
in Haver nobody needed now.

The truck they came in had 5 ^{already} loves, neck

The meat they ate checked in the
yard & fell on its knees under a hammer
out squealed thru a shield.

Catherine
of Sierra

Alive
during
plague

Unlike "Haven, in Ruby
Hunting game was a game.

The women ~~cheered~~ ^{nodded} where

~~when they~~ took it apart, packed it
and re-assembled it. But

privately they resented the space
given over to it (rather than a few

more sacks of seed; rather than
shacks or even a child's crib)

Resented also the hours spent
putting it back together - hours
that could have been spent

getting the spring door on sooner.

If the plague was so important -
and she supposed it was - considering
the argument that evening - why
not just take it - leave the
brocks where they had stood for 50
years.

Still the baptisms
How the men loved it, how
Still, proud it made them -

how devoted - and, she thought,
that was a good then as far
as it went: But it went too
far - a utility became a shrine
(cautioned against in x)
And

like anything, that offended
Him destroyed itself. Nobody
better to make the point than
the wayward young who turned
it into

Rather than growling
about what they see as
place has become
They wanted a Current
rejected State
both of Over

Maybe that was
the cause of
Some of the young
understood that.

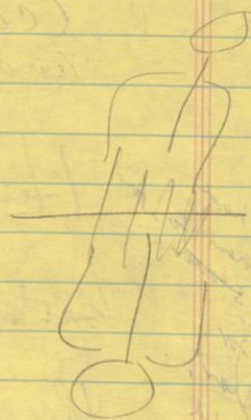
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Garden
privately
point
out

months
now I have
no one to
take them
down for
them for
next year.

now
They
light -

Just a little
Just enough -
for other kinds
of freedom
celebrations
going on in
is shadowed.

The Reflection



Each bowed ^{her} head to ^{the} ~~their~~ it reflection
own image reflection

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the Grand Tour as Iek remembers it.

1927?

1931?

Baley, Langston, Nicodemus
et al

Verbera women Twins' scuffle

Saloon tour comparison.

Add (Western)
Cologne
to Oliver's
preparation
of Doney's
wedding

At "His total memory..." p. 126

One of the most powerful was one of his earliest.
~~His father took all of the children on a Grand~~
~~which to wave goodbye to and baby sister Ruby~~
~~and his mother, who had been the grand~~
~~stand.~~

~~The rest of them, his father, his sister Ruby, his older mother Elder~~
~~and Steward, his twin, were~~
~~x car, along with a two peck baskets of food.~~

The journey would be deep. The
Second Grand tour, his father said. Now
is the time.

The first one he made in 1910 with Elder his first born sons.

Have Havea, against all odds, was
thriving in 1931. The crash had not
touched them: Savings were substantial,
Daddy's bank had taken no risks

294-26-7236 (partly because the white banker
72-36- shocked ~~him~~ out, partly because

1973
1931
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the subscription shares had been well-
protected TK), and families shared
everything - made sure no one was
short. ~~But~~ Cotton ^{crop} ruined? The
x'er split their profit with them. A
Cotton growers.

Lawrence Lane

barn burned; The pine sappers ^{made} sure
~~dropped~~ ^{accidentally} lumber rolled off ^{wagons} carts at
certain places to be picked up
later that night. Pigs rooted up

a neighbor's patch. The neighbor was
General replacements from enemybody and was
assured a ham at Slaughter.

Haven residents, ~~not~~ ^{have} been refused
by everybody on their journey from
Mississippi to Oklahoma, ~~but~~
~~refused~~ ^{refused} each other nothing; ~~it~~ were
vigilant to any need or shortage.

~~He~~ had A man whose
hand was healing from a chopping
block accident would not get to
the second clean bandage, before
the wood was finished and ~~was~~
stacked.

Stacked. ^{still} White Haven was struggling. ^{Then it was}
~~very~~ ^{very} said it was fine. ^{up}
 * ~~X Morgan~~ ^{want} the worst, Keweenaw and Judge the
 other Colored 1 town. (The ones
 that began with advantages) 1 Bodley,
 Langston, Nicodemus, Mound,
 Bayou, Clearview, Rentiesville,

They would have to ^{travel} ~~enter~~ 2 towns
outside Oklahoma, and the trip
~~would take~~ and 5 within

In the end, they made it to four.
 Elder and Elder (Spoke an expression of how they

None of the obligations were written down - ^{times} remembered, more
searched into memory by talk and filed observation

fx time

Let them
sing their
songs while

1910-14 Prosperity

1931- Demise Short term

1910 - 1st Tour

1924 - Twins born

1931 - 2nd Tour

1950 - Exodus II

preachers, pharmacists, dry goods
store owners, bankers, school teachers
newspaper publishers. They stood
at the edge of ^{corn} cotton fields, walked
rows of cotton.

Talked about malaria, taxes, etc.

Watched TK.

10 years of TEE
Tulsa was bombing

By 1931, time for 2nd Tour - ^{So many of} ~~those~~ promoted ^{towns} ~~towns~~
thrued. Haven had

Even now the ^{Verbera} scent was ^{as} clear
and exciting ^{as} the summer blouses, ~~and~~ the
creamy creamy skin.

Sorrow
Stubbornness
Pride
Despair

of this or X that she

Remembrance
this straight
but I can't remember
the order
of the steps.

Only once had she felt this kind of happiness
~~had not ever been this happy since~~
~~than happy~~ exhilarated, just as
As more and more of the East was
the farther west she
behind her, the happier she became.

Like the Rocket ride she took as
a kid. When the rocket zoomed on the
downward swing the rush made her
giddy with pleasure. when it slowed
~~to~~ just before turning ^{here} them all upside
down through ~~the~~ the high arc of its
circle the thrill was intense ^{but} calm. She
squealed ^{with} the other passengers but
inside was the kind of stable excitement of
facing danger, ⁱⁿ ^a ^{strong} ^{safe} metal.
while ^{strapped}

Sal hated it, So did Frankie when she took them. And Mavis never rode it with them. The memory was too precious to duplicate. Now, in flight to California, it was with her at will.

According to the map

find The Route was straight. All she had to do was ~~to go to~~ 70, ~~it followed it~~ take her to Utah and make a right on down to Los Angeles.

Later she remembered traveling that way - straight, one state then the next - just as the map promised; but she could not remember the order of the ~~States~~ ~~Marriage~~.

beautiful photographs?
Grand
Serenity
Serene
Spinning
Grandeur
But the
Grandeur
does not
subdue
the
intensity
of the
people

~~Was at~~ The first detour must have been ~~was it~~ outside Zanesville, That's where, sitting in a roadside diner, counting her money the first girl appeared. Mavis had noticed her going into the ladies [room] and then, several minutes later, came out in different clothes: ~~jeans~~ ^{jeans} this time and a flowing blouse that touched her thighs. Outside in the parking lot ~~she~~ ^{the girl} ran to ~~the~~ ^{the passenger's} window and asked for a lift. Smiling happily she jerked open the door when Mavis shrugged then nodded ~~the~~ assent. The girl said her name was Louis and talked ~~her~~ for 32 miles.

Zanesville, Ohio & Dayton
Bloomington, Indiana

St. Louis

Topeka

Burlington, Colorado & Grandfield

~~But~~ Denver sighting -

turns around - west on 70

* Oakley ^{to} South on 83

to a River (Arkansas)

Then Commanion

Then miles of nothing

The rest begged
She asked ~~at~~ ^{for} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~same~~ ^{same} ~~from~~ ^{from} ~~their~~ ^{their} ~~families~~ ^{families} ~~Swenesis~~ ^{Swenesis}
~~that~~ ^{that} ~~she~~ ^{she} ~~id~~ ^{id} ~~got~~ ^{got} ~~from~~ ^{from} ~~then~~ ^{then} ~~when~~ ^{when} ~~they~~ ^{they} ~~dated~~ ^{dated}

Manis agreed to drive through
Columbus and drop ^{Alvin} the girl
at X her ~~girl~~ cousin's house

and the scent (soft rain on freshly cut fescue) Louis' hair on the inside of

The clink of dog tags — that

was her memory of her first detain.
Except for the last, I

The others were out of sequence
was it in Colorado on a bench
sitting under penis

Where she saw a man, in a rest
~~park~~ - area? He ~~was~~ ate slowly, very
slowly while he read carefully
a newspaper. Or before. In any
case right after ward she picked
up the girl who stole her clothes,
but earlier, in ~~St. James~~ was it? she

Stay on to
take a
road to
her future
2 years
from now.

Bennie was not a talker
- small or big.

1 She sang. ^{sang along sometimes but mostly she} ~~Ma~~ ^{Ma} listened. Songs of true love, false love, redemption; songs of unreasonable joy. She sang ^{same} ~~so~~ ^{deliberately} ~~silly~~ to draw tears and ^{others} ~~some~~ and in X miles never got tired of hearing her.

Those X miles of rolled by urged and eased by Bennie's haunting ^{the gentle full} ~~aching~~ voice. ~~So beautiful~~

She didn't like to eat ~~at~~ highway stops; if ^{there} ~~she~~ only drank water while Ma walked down Cheese melts and fries. ~~Then~~ ~~Bennie~~ directed her through towns searching for Colored neighborhoods where they could eat "healthy", she said. ~~White~~ ~~at~~ ^{those places} ~~there~~ she ate ^{slowly} ~~steadily~~ - repeat orders side dishes and always ~~asked~~ ^{with} something to go: Ribs,

She was careful with her money but ~~seemed to have~~ not worried about it, and ~~shared~~ ~~paid~~ shared the bill ~~at~~ every single gas ~~stop~~ pump.

Ma never learned what she planned to do, or who meet in L.A. (San Diego) All she said was "To get it on". was her single answer to Ma's ^{inquiry} ~~question~~. ^{Nevertheless} But ~~at~~ ~~for~~ X she disappeared along with Ma's clear plastic raincoat and Sal's yellow boots. Odd. There was a five dollar ^{attached to the gearshift} ~~bill~~ ^{secured with a rubber band}.

The silence (Bennie left) ^{in the Cadillac} was unbearable
^{above} the radio - which Mavis kept
the radio on ~~and~~ constantly and if one of Bennie's ~~words~~ ^{sentences} came on, she sang along.

The train returned in 10.
She was ~~leaving~~ Returning
Coming out of the station toilet Key Mavis
saw ~~Travis~~ looked through the plate glass windows.
Berjards, under the AMCO
lights Frank was leaning into the Cadillac's
Could he have grown that much hair in 2
weeks? And his clothes. ^{Black leather jacket} Shirt open
almost to his navel, gold chains

Mavis buckled, and when the attendant
steamed she tried to make it look like she
stumbled. There was no where to run.
So she examined the Colorado maps in the
rack. When she looked again, he was gone.
Parked close by, she thought, waiting for
her to emerge.

I'll scream, she told herself, pretend I don't
know him, fight him, call the police. But
the Fire car was no longer mint green - but
O God - the license plate was the same.
Suppose he brought the title, was there
a bulletin out? She could not stand still and
there was no retreat. Mavis went forward.
Not running. Not tripping. ^{Lead down} Searching ^{her purse} ^{Colony}
for a ten dollar bill.

Once in the car, waiting for the attendant to

Collect the money, she glanced in the rear and side view windows. Nothing. Until she ^{had paid and} turned on the ignition. The black jacketed, open shirt torso appeared in the right mirror. Gold links ^{spun} catching fluorescent light.

Hard ^{as she tried} to ^{concentrate} ~~the~~ Cadillac lurched away ^{out} from the ^{gas} lane.

Now she was ~~confused~~, scared, X she forgot where what to look for.

Junction what. Turn right to get South. Leave 70 for X. but this was 70 East. Okay, Exit ramp for. ~~the~~

One hour later travelling road she had ~~already~~ ^{she was} driven twice before.

~~For~~ Secondary routes she ~~thought~~ decided, would be better. ^{fewer police,} ~~It was getting dark~~ Fewer lights. Manis ^{of} entered X, ~~and~~ drove ~~all night~~ until there was nothing but to fuel the engine. The Cadillac neither sighed nor coughed. It simply stopped in a well of darkness, ~~its~~ headlights pecking out 30 feet of tarmac.

The clock showed 4:00. Manis ^{shut off the} lights, & locked the ~~car~~ doors. A little courage, she thought. like the girls. If they could wander around in jump in cars, hitch hike to burials, sing for X miles, ~~and~~ certainly she, ~~the~~ ^{AA} ~~AA~~ could wait for ~~sun~~ morning to come. After all she was a 27 year old mother of —

Early Times didn't help. The tears met her chin

through
an
invisible
sunset!

16
11
27

Cholly? looks for rain coat - Carl find it

Walks, ^{an hour} Can see the glint of car when she looks back.
~~Looks into~~ ^{Looks into} a side road because
it's shadier ^{see's} another 15 minutes than
a house.

crept down her neck anyway. What it did
eventually was knock her out.

She woke ^{to} an ~~edible~~ ~~surface~~
in the flat

All around her horizon supported by
a billions miles of nothing at all.

felt
mouthed,
nigh, unfeeling.
and knew she
was
panoramic
because
the ^{sun} ~~sun~~
watercolor
red-looked
edible.

From where I woke. I before I broke
my heart

I ~~unconscious~~ ~~of~~ ~~my~~ ~~dreams~~ ~~I~~
to ~~the~~ ~~other~~ ~~side~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~light~~
columns ~~breaking~~ ~~up~~
of ~~crystals~~ ~~also~~ ~~with~~ ~~and~~ ~~petals~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~
of ~~dreams~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~dream~~ ~~green~~ ~~(green)~~
that I woke before I broke
my heart

my life ~~forgot~~ ~~the~~ ~~surface~~
can ~~up~~ ~~figure~~ ~~me~~ ~~Belle~~ ~~know~~ ~~I~~

Belle Reve ^{was} (is) a dream of

~~Extraneous and there~~

timeliness

there'sness

nothing to need

nothing to please

pleasured ~~and~~ treasured ^(me)

A dream
that

" From which I woke (before it broke
my heart,

my life. before it ^{choked} ~~choke~~

Belle Reve, I ^{know} ~~dreamed~~ your dream of
white ~~pillars~~ ^{and} under star filled nights
columns holding ~~up~~

~~ripes~~ ^{valleys}
of crystal and silk and petals on the
grass (ground)

BL is a dream. From I dreamed ~~the~~ ^{your} dream
Until I woke before you broke
my heart

to put I, too ^{was} ~~only~~
before my I became
the only your
dream

before ~~I~~ ^{it?} choked
the smoke

(Can you) forgive me Belle Reve!

dis—

Bliss

Kiss

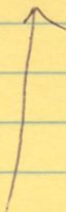
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I ~~wants~~
for wanting:

love n/ps limit

the risk of love
the grist of love

the risk of love
he ~~xxxx~~ I love



the dreamy, steamy mist of love

When he is away