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liked only  
those women  
like Ana Can  
who disliked  
female  
other women.

helpmate. Content to serve. Changed  
her clothing to "Motherland," her  
language to <sup>activate</sup> slogans. Covered  
her <sup>dangerous</sup> hair

MTK.  
She just had <sup>serious things</sup> ~~a lot~~ to do: There  
were demonstrations to participate in  
sit-ins to support, clippings to  
organize MTK. ~~After~~ The hiking  
boots ~~helped~~ were broken in at  
marches, <sup>and</sup> demonstrations, lines of  
protest. <sup>She carried</sup> her back pack for  
sit ins.

Funerals and strategy meetings.

Fueled by <sup>something</sup> <sup>and</sup> <sup>buried</sup>  
a <sup>Exhilaration</sup> <sup>Purpose</sup> left no time  
the <sup>tramped</sup>  
or wish for contemplating anything

<sup>Seated</sup>  
The end, <sup>when it came</sup> was unrecognizable as such. A small



After  
thing, really. A routine abortion.  
The last ~~phase~~ of 7. There is  
the ~~swirl~~ swirl of water

She rose, tapped the lever and  
turned to watch the swirl.  
And there - <sup>in</sup> ~~just~~ a blur of <sup>congealed</sup> ~~congeal~~ red  
She thought she saw eyes.  
Impossible, of course. Completely  
impossible. She bathed and  
went back to bed.

C. <sup>had become</sup> unsentimental <sup>about</sup> ~~unperturbed~~ by  
abortions, ~~E. was~~ <sup>and</sup> regarded them  
as one <sup>less</sup> ~~of several~~ ~~boards~~ she  
~~broken~~ ~~latch~~ <sup>that needed to be broken</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>against</sup> ~~female imprisonment~~  
So this 7<sup>th</sup> ~~medical~~ intervention  
did not ~~perturb~~ <sup>pre turb</sup> her. at all.  
And she ~~knew~~ enough to realized ~~the~~



fix

had  
eyes she <sup>up</sup> conjoined the eyes that <sup>stared</sup>  
~~in a non-committal~~ ~~stare~~

~~down~~ the ~~forests~~ in a beet red cloud.  
were not unborn ones.  
did not belong to a fetus. She  
and wandered - on occasion  
did wander, though, who it was who

looked up at her with such quiet interest.

At the oddest moments - clustered  
in an <sup>emergency</sup> room with a weeping mother  
~~a principal~~

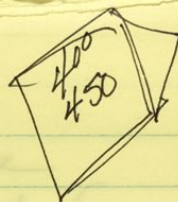
~~Waffle~~

those non-committal  
these <sup>interested</sup> <sup>seemed to be</sup>  
eyes <sup>were</sup> <sup>engaged</sup> her <sup>own</sup>

It may have been the sense of being watched

despising  
paying  
boiled  
water &  
trifles  
agitated  
students;





Heed with Susan

Telling her story of her husband, Bill,  
 Can't write herself <sup>because of arthritis.</sup> Jr. notices her hands

beautiful, tiny well maintained - but no knots  
 or finger disfigurement. - Just a slight  
 curve away from the body - like fins.

Tells Susan - she has difficulty walking  
 some times. Totally dependent on pain killers.  
 (Not that Tylenol stuff since 1982.  
 (Advil & other brands) Never enough; (Christine  
 buys & takes them out)

In her dictation - or ramblings about  
 Bill Casey she describes him as extremely  
 handsome, graceful, educated, gentle etc. etc.

Jr. asks how did he acquire so much  
 land and run so large a business.  
 Heed says he was very smart and he had  
 good friends in the County. Now that the  
 white people around here are not like  
 the tales about them in other places. Here  
 they're <sup>as nice as can be</sup> ~~fine~~, just normal people. No  
 hatred between us. We don't mix <sup>of course</sup> and don't  
 want to. In fact when all that business



Sheriff  
and Bill Casey  
at least once a  
month.

stuff started the Blacks voted  
against it. The "federals" tried to force  
them. Provided money and everything  
for buses: but we still wouldn't  
allow it. We have a nice little school  
here. People didn't want their children  
20 miles away. We.. I mean they  
used to fish or work nets from 4:00  
to 7 and then go to school. With busing  
the children had to board ~~by~~ <sup>at</sup> 6 a.m. to  
get there ~~&~~ in time. 20 miles of back  
roads picking up children would  
take 2 hours. That's what Bill Casey  
figured out. People from NAAEP were  
~~not under the collar~~ <sup>none of them</sup> - but they ~~didn't~~ <sup>didn't</sup> lived here.  
and didn't have to rely on  
their children's work to make ends  
meet. <sup>to</sup> Like that Head Start  
Program. Bill said our kids <sup>already</sup> had a head  
start: at 4 a.m. they were ~~at work~~ <sup>already</sup> making money.  
Later

H: Can you drive?

Jr: Uh huh but I don't have a license.

H: Don't matter. I want you to go to Cafe Rian  
tomorrow - I'll tell you how to get there -  
and bring me some real food. [Salisbury  
steak; pork chops; smothered chicken, etc.]



N. b.

Casey colluded with local whites to divert  
busing money. (1969-1970)

Casey scuttled "Head Start" money in  
1965 (Prog. established in 1964).

Ala: "Busing" head start" never took hold. <sup>Both races</sup>  
~~because~~ in harmony whites and blacks  
agreed that the calm seas  
~~and~~ pink sand and x generations of <sup>mutual</sup> under-  
standing were not to be trifled with - disrupted or polluted  
by strangers.

