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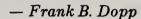
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INNER PEACE

In some warm corner
of the mind
the thought lies curled and purring
with delight
all blind
to phantoms capering
throughout the night
outside.





Daily News Portico — Chicago, Il. 1982

Bob Rivoire

CHALLENGE, 20th CENTURY STYLE OR UNCLE SAM'S DECISION

with corporate power in his wallet and new age love in his heart, with all the governments watching and you, a vivid fan, he saw what he had to do, this hero of the west. driving fast forward as usual, in highly sincere moves, he drove right up to the east, and said, "partner, let's Om." said, "comrade, do you hear? say, we need to talk. let's fix this world of ours and live as brothers should."

and what was the answer, but "yes, friends, yes, it is about time."

now the question is "How sincere are you?"

- Corrine Hayes

ECONOMETRICS

Shrouded among the silver equations Penthouse pundits devine the secret numbers That swell the ripples in our lives; Down wall, the bulls snort fiery digits Of profit and loss, elves snip up the tape And huddle in their bureaus, cyphering the formula Scrawled by Professor Emeritus. Up the hill, interminable zeros cross the page, Tons of anonymous paper wealth voted and dispensed Like Hongkong gold traded in the night. In the cracks of teeming offices mice with microscopes Measure the fractions of our increase: Breathless, the multitude waits for the figures To flash across the screen, graphs and charts Issuing forth from the Spiritus Mundi — Monday evening data -Our weekly destiny meted out Our well-being proved or denied. - Charlie Kostelnick