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Bill Stay

Your generous letter was waidting for me yesterday when I got thome from planning a Sitka work-be shop for next June. True, we did suffer a grievous blow; it was a jagged event. But the little things, and letters like yours, have brought us around. I see things differently, hear music better, and value friends even more than before.

Oh, I expect to be at Emporia State next year (1990), for a March 23 gathering!



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## AWARENESS

Of a summer day, of what moves in the trees,

Of your own departing. Of that branch no one else notices.

Of time, what it carries, the sideways drift of it.

Of now. Of maybe. Of something different being true.

Of hiding important things because they don't belong in the world.

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