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## Poem

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## **Abstract**

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trict. It slowed going past the backs of department stores, and came to a shuddering halt. I stayed in my seat, not standing up, nervously arranging and rearranging my purse and hat on my lap, until the car had completely cleared. Then I stood up to leave. As I stepped from the train onto the raised second-floor platform, a theater across the street from the station caught my eye.

Just below the marquee was a large sign painted on the bricks of the building in yellow block letters — “Colored Entrance To The Rear.” I was back in the world again.

—*Anne Burnett, Sci., Jr.*



It is midsummer now  
 When even the greens turn  
 Hot  
 Shiny shimmery intense green  
 Cornfields  
 Passing warm whispers  
 Field to field

Trees in the hot wind  
 Black-green flames  
 A summer-faded butterfly  
 Is consumed in the flicker of leaves

The dusty roadside and farmhouse grass  
 Lie green-gray ashes

I rise from the hammock  
 And the green hotness circles;  
 I spin  
 In the deep green heat of summer

—*Alberta Moellering, H. Ec. Ed., Jr.*