A Fading Hope

Mark Osing*

*Iowa State University

Copyright ©1977 by the authors. Sketch is produced by The Berkeley Electronic Press (bepress).
http://lib.dr.iastate.edu/sketch
A woman that is licorice and carroway rye,
dark and subtle-spicy,
languidly smokes a cigarette among maroon rust tapestries.
She stamps it out in a darkwood ashtray giving me a
disengaged glance.
The deep red tobacco embers die in soot black silence.