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Abstract

You sit and talk While heart and soul delivers forth...
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You
sit and talk

While heart and soul delivers forth
out of the bond of heart-tearing years
from the quivering wires
That which was poured out on the pages

By another one
who sat and pondered
much as I do

While you
only talk

M. L.

APPLE-BLOSSOM shampoo, whipped to creamy-fluffiness, trickled behind Mary Lou's ears, over her face, down her smooth, young body. She bent her head back, letting the water drum on her forehead . . . sweeping her long, black hair into the water-fall that rushed down her back. She started singing. "I've got a wonderful feeling, everything's going my way! . . ." Funny how good I sound in a shower. Can't even sing in church . . . at home. But the church here, with the big organ, does things for me!

"That little old church at home . . . where Nicky and I used to go. Funny how things here at school seem bigger. Big buildings, big crowds . . . big dates . . . like the one tonight."

Mary pivoted under the warm water. It was a blind date . . . one of the actives had fixed it up . . . with Donovan Lee. According to the actives, Lee was an "utter doll." According to the annual he was in practically every organization on campus, and president of three of them.

A wide, silver bracelet, which said "Mary Lou" on the outside and "Nick" next to her arm, clanked against the nozzle as she turned off the shower and rushed to her room . . .