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June, the middle of the year, the Bloomsday month.
ROARSHOCK PAGE presents the readers some
poems of few words for your contemplation.

THE QUEST, FEAST OR FAMINE

Ages still to come
or gone by,
flickering lights
hope
darkened rooms
speak accomplishment
not present
poverty.

Cool breeze
end of day
early morning
quiet muffled noises
outside, inside
down corridors of history.

Light shines
flowering time
many branched wisdom
from many lands
pen held steady in hand.

Darkness grows
forever
dust obscures day
sit poor muted brute
hungry for worlds
old and new
feast time
quest.

-- D. A. Wilson

San Francisco, April 21, 1988

ON THE EDGE, AFRAID TO LEAP

This city swells faces
And living breathing bodies
That twist around in tunnels
Of conversation and thought
Creating connections
In dreams of hopes of fears
Living beings in this perhaps
The loneliest of years.
Singing soul burst
Hear me cry
A life's so small
All die.
Drink a cappuccino
Watch it all pass by.

Please, I plead --
Give me the completion
Of a needed communication
Stumped by procrastination
But charged with fascination
Smashed apart by foolish fears
By worries over nothing
Silly soundless sighs
Hooded hiding eyes
That can't conceal the feeling.
Burdened by a box
Of everything that's gone before
Unable to make it stop
And pass through the open waiting door.
O, Poetry! Help me to see
The error of my ways
And give me freedom
Let me act
Before too many further days.

— D. A. Wilson

YOUR LOONIE TOONS PRESENTS...

An unheard of experimentation.
Beginning with ultra shattering sounds.
And culminating
with the dissolution
of every cell in your body.

Broken images
pouring through
social structures
fragmenting reality.

-- Zoro S. R. Troll

A RECIPE FOR TROLLS

Two parts water. Three parts Troll.
Four parts toads as grow in a hole.
Mix all up in a cauldron pot.
Stir the broth 'til it's good and hot.
Sip one sip, then catch on fire.
And hang yourself with a bailing wire.

-- Zoro S. R. Troll

HONG KONG TRANSFER

The Union Jack comes down
the Chinese flag goes up
Prince Charles makes jolly with Jiang Zemin
If the soldiers march with such precision ...
Live via C-Span on
Chinese National Television
- English Service - from Beijing -
Cut to music, young women dancing
softly fluttering as new butterflies
in Tiananmen Square
all lovely smiles
pretty feet lightly tripping
over the ghost of blood
and the slumbering spirit
of the Goddess of Democracy.

-- D. A. Wilson

San Francisco, June 30, 1997
(July 1 in Hong Kong and Beijing)

JUNE ALMANAC

- 06/01 1779 Benedict Arnold, Continental Army General, was court-martialed for malfeasance.
1857 Charles Baudelaire's volume of poetry *Les Fleurs du mal* was published.
- 06/03 2019 NEW MOON
- 06/04 1561 The medieval steeple of St Paul's cathedral in London was destroyed in a lightning-strike fire and was never rebuilt.
- 06/06 2019 Dr. John (Mac J. Rebennack Jr.) died.
- 06/07 1099 The Siege of Jerusalem began.
- 06/08 218 In the Battle of Antioch, with the support of the Syrian legions, Elagabalus defeated the forces of Emperor Macrinus.
- 452 Italy was invaded by Attila the Hun.
- 632 Muhammad, Prophet of Islam, died.
- 1794 Maximilien Robespierre inaugurated the Cult of the Supreme Being across France.
- 06/14 1158 München founded by Heinrich der Löwe.
- 06/15 1752 Benjamin Franklin proved lightning is electricity (traditional date).
- 06/16 2019 BLOOMSDAY (since 1904)
- 06/17 2019 FULL STRAWBERRY MOON
- 06/21 2019 SUMMER SOLSTICE—EARTH'S NORTHERN HEMISPHERE
- 06/23 1941 Robert Hunter (as Robert Burns) was born in Oceano, California.
- 06/25 1910 Igor Stravinsky's *The Firebird* premiered at the Opéra de Paris with dance by the Ballets Russes of Sergei Diaghilev.
- 06/28 1838 The Coronation of Queen Victoria of the United Kingdom.
- 1841 Paris Opera Ballet premiered *Giselle* in the Salle Le Peletier.
- 06/29 1901 Nelson Eddy, singer and actor, was born.
- 1958 John Woods "Wheels" Wheeler, the First False Prophet of the NPS, was born.
- 06/30 1997 The United Kingdom transferred sovereignty over Hong Kong to China.

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