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the ages," sagely remarks the scientist as we finish our smoke.

Slowly the dusk melts into the black velvet mantle dropped from the star-studded sky and we settle for the night in our bed-rolls on the soft hot sand, and are lulled to sleep by the song of nocturnal desert life.

Tomorrow we are to visit the heart of this ancient land where lies the Shrine of the Children who were sacrificed to the flood.

### In Conflict

*By* JOSEPH JOEL KEITH

Would we no longer see  
 The foe before us and behind.  
 Would we no longer be  
 In conflict with our vacillating mind.

Would we no longer fill  
 The self with hunger and alarm;  
 And cease to join the kill,  
 We would not feed the mind that lifts the arm.

Nor would we glorify  
 The beast within us and below;  
 And we would hush the cry.  
 And let the heart hear songs that it would know.