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PATRICIAN

She told me once, my aunt, about how she was out walking in my grandparents' neighborhood and let a bee land on her head and sting her because she didn't want to be seen waving and swatting and give anyone who might be watching the chance to say Look at crazy Patty, the hospital case. Look at Jerry and Agnes's daughter, out there having a fit.