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In a war I'm losing
Catching up on my ironing
Dress shirts, polos, slacks, sheets and towels
Gets me back to break even
Which is not ideal, happy or blessed
But a truce for sure
Last month the car died
Taking my friend to chemo
That promotion—
I'll be lucky to survive budget cuts
Read this, see this, you haven't eaten out in how long?
But if I can take the big brown wicker basket
Set it all out, and chug away (I think I can)
Get caught up, that is, on steam ironing I might be okay.