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Poetic Image Of Woman 1945 - 1960

Adam bartered rib to create answer to his needs.

Close visual scrutiny,
far flight of imagination —
a line of demarkation,
a point where reality and fancy part the midriff they took to pondering.

The upper structure: head, cheeks, hair, eyes, lips, breasts, necks — superfluous trivia, lacking utility to man — would be atrophied by disuse.

The under half —
thighs guard gateway to pudenda,
epicenter of man's needs, raison d' etre.

To this utopian ideal they glued poet's visionary eyes, man's wisdom, ultimate hopes.

-- Archie Rosenhouse Los Angeles, California

Bachelor Breakfast

Bald, he eats
Boiled eggs across
A table void
Of the condiments
Of cold cream and curlers.

She Sat, Lapful Of Cat, Chatting with Father Thatcher On the advisability Of marriage before pregnancy.

- Judith Bechtold
Seattle, Washington