

## ACCORDING TO CLYDE

everyone from Ohio reads Archie comics.  
Clyde is from Ohio &  
hasn't been back to the states for 15 years.  
he is ever ready for a blast,  
but usually he ends up holding the shards  
of everyone else's brilliant ideas:  
he's the kid in grade school that everyone  
knows will come with them to the deli &  
pilfer half a dozen Milky Ways. and Clyde is  
usually the guy who gets caught & stays quiet.  
Clyde is from Ohio & his character is mythic.  
two months ago he bought a diamond ring from  
a spade who was returning to the states &  
needed the cash. the ring had originally  
been purchased from an ad in a comic book  
for \$150. Clyde had seen the ad himself.  
he paid \$50 for the jewel & after washing  
his hands three times the diamond turned black.  
indeed, Clyde is a rare find.

-- John Kay

Bad Kreuznach, Germany

## DACOITS

Reaching the bridge beyond Morena,  
in that region of sinister ravines  
between Agra and Gwalior,  
we found a large flock of sheep  
blocking the road.

A shepherd leant  
over the parapet, gazing  
at something in the river below.  
As we slowly came abreast  
of him he turned to us and pointed:  
'Dacoits. Three of them. The police  
shot them less than an hour ago.'

From his slow casual manner  
he might have been talking of rabbits.  
Certainly the bullet-torn  
bodies had the same vacant  
innocence of slaughtered animals.

Two of them were floating face  
downward in the shallow water.

The third sprawled on his back  
in the reeds. He was no more  
than twenty, and seemed to be gaping  
towards the bridge, not with fear,  
but with utter astonishment  
that such disaster could happen to him.

#### KAMA SUTRA

This is a book for the specialist  
or the enthusiast. It is for those  
for whom the yoni and the lingam are  
the adored objects of constant delight  
and continuous research.

It is for those who will find nail and teeth marks,  
the many kisses and artificial devices,  
no less absorbing than the eight stages  
of oral congress, the sixty-four arts  
and the eighty-four postures.

This book is not for the half-hearted,  
for those who like everything easy.  
It is not for the ethereal or over-modest,  
for those who lack dedication or have  
little taste for the subject.

Nor is a great deal of it, my darling,  
now that we have grown a little fatter  
and slightly more lazy than the gods  
prescribe, for you and me.

-- Raymond Tong

Kuwait

#### LITERARY NOTES:.....

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