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HUNTING FOR ARROWHEADS

Search for any circle
or softness of earth—
neither comes naturally to the plains.
River bottoms, valleys, groves
of cottonwood trees are best.
Try also any hill
where you can see
the enemy approach for miles.
If you should find a place
where the buffalo grass still
wants to lie flat, stop.
Fall to your knees.
Let the earth sift
through your bones.
Forget about history.