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SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Still, still Gray keeps waiting for the future
To begin, like a marked-off day
That rolls by alone
And individual amid
Thin black trees and then,

Then, something different begins. Gray awaits
The background humming
Of microphones and white tables
To unfold. Meanwhile
He's between things: on a train, in

A restaurant. He keeps a capped pen next
To his heart. When the train windows flash
By, opposite, Gray
Catches glimpses of another
Time, space. He can't wait

To be taken to it. "Let me see. Fifty more
Years, maybe, times three-six-five looks at the river—"