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## Scream

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**SCREAM**

So, this is the time for screams. At doctors,  
Each doctor's pain, schedule. Gray's life  
Will become a scream.  
At politicians in café  
Booths, standing outside

Factory gates. At what goes on and keeps  
Going on. Nothing  
Else can possibly do any  
Good. It's late. A fire  
Shouts, a sandbag wall splits—run, bring

The umbrellaed tables in. It's late. Each  
Car carries a rim of brightness,  
The flag folds on its  
Pole. Then, from everywhere, nowhere,  
A piano drifts

Till Gray can't breathe, speak or remember when he fell  
In. A cup, crimped napkin, his testimonial.