

Poems

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HISTORY LESSON

The road to Auschwitz has
Many steps.

Step one leads to
Step two.
Step two leads to
Step three.
Each step leads to
Yet another step.

Before you know it,
It's too late.
The gates are locked,
And you are standing there naked.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

I want to see real executions.

BRING BACK the ancient Druid hanging rights!
BRING BACK the breaking of men on the wheel!
BRING BACK drawing and quartering !
BRING BACK the burning of witches at the stake!

Spare me the sterility of lethal injections.
I want to see meat at the end of the fork.

THE WRETCHED OF THE EARTH

The wretched of the earth have gathered in the alley
To plan the overthrow of Western Civilization.
They are well armed,
But not well organized.
An occupying army protects the middle class.
My job is merely that of a war correspondent.