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Free Poems Among Friends

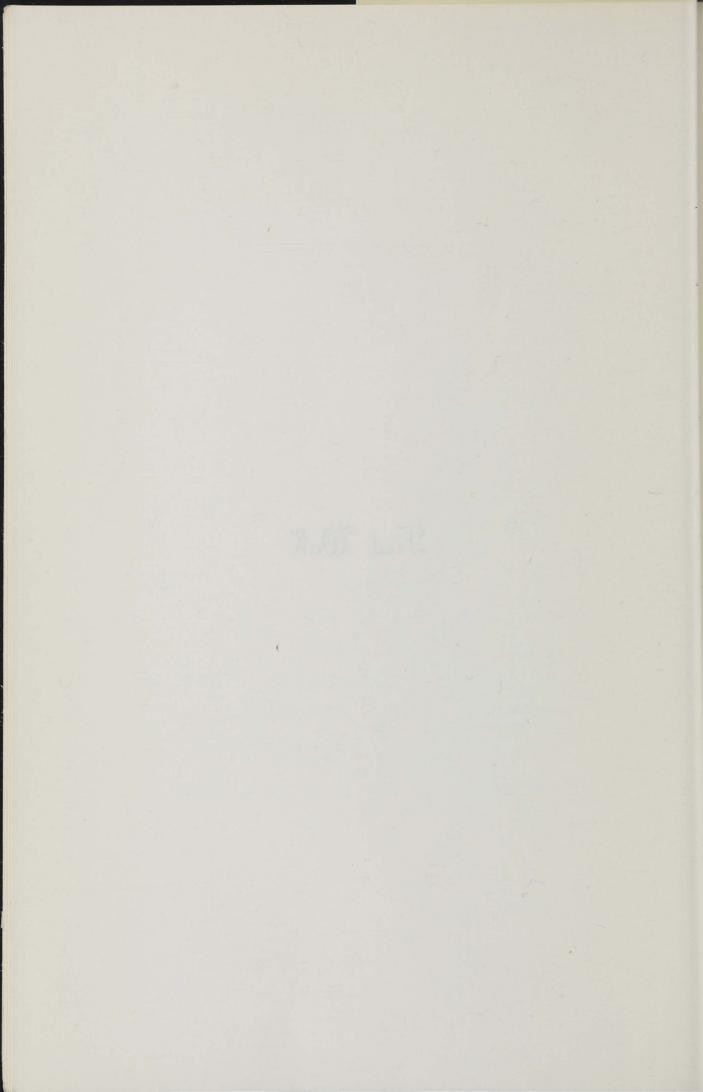
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Fred Wah



The Snow Stars Rock

Yah its a picture
the green boughs bow
the snow down
the black night fills
the top bough the tree tops
its a picture the world is
thrown down snow castles
from the night above the snow
above is filled with stars
are filled in warriors
and dogs

silences

the hill side sidles up as I

up the sky I move through

the switchback

trees

white moon

baby hang on hang on

the rock clear dark fir boughs
wet fir boughs
dark wet fir boughy roads

in the dark and under your blazing timber sun down the mountain

through sideways the switchback roads just made for skiing down

language

four feet above your silken grass sides the bark flies from

the pitch sticks

yes, mud yes please hang on

the boots names thereupon icefield rock and top uh huh a picture
I is eyes in the stars
I look at I could be a ceiling of soft dark height . . .

The Flower

The Mountain sits in the men's minds of the east

flowering as some white and green lip or petal

in the imagination of colors and size

fragrances and ice a timber line scree, some grass lake and mountain streams

all
in their imaginations
that it is a mountain
they sit upon
crying out up the valley
"A Flower, a flower."