

ADMINISTRATION

Gene Dinielli poked his head in the doorway, wagged a finger. he's the dept assistant chair with an office next door. the tentative fall schedule crested his desk top like Annapurna.

he fished out a request card from Al Lawson, a solid compadre who's trying out a nighttime movie/novel course. it read:
"Please try for Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. I'm afraid Monday night football might siphon off enrollment."

Dinielli's face spread into a Tonio Kroger grin:
"The problems of accommodation lengthen like the shadow of man."

We wondered how Emerson would orchestrate the slate of upper division lit classes. But, of course, he never taught in California.

THE FIRST OF THE MONTH

bills are unquestionably
the hound of the corporate heaven.
but there is something about paying them,
a rare act we can complete with finality,
if only for thirty days.

what else can we round off --
even with sleep -- the way we tuck in
sears, the phone co., cal. ed., gas,
all kinds, at least from pay to pay.

it feels good to put all
the beasts back in their cages
if only till their next feeding.

-- Charles Stetler

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