

voluntary sainthood

give me a 6 letter word
for martyrdom
the cheap sentiment
phoney sacrifice
hidden power trip
and general hypocrisies
are built right in
all that suffering & gratification
must be acknowledged
for a lifetime
most women would kill
for the chance
to be a mother

oh really?

we're often informed
that our military
is subordinate
to a civilian government
it's a nice fantasy
when you realize
that most of the budget
is handed over
to that subordinate institution

Degas in Vegas

they'll correct you in a minute
it's to save you from embarrassment
if you believe that trash
there's only a chasm waiting for you
with an extremely hard C
you go around making Synge sound
like a syringe
we're talking big trouble
pronounce Pepys the wrong way
choke on Powys
you'll wind up in Vegas with Degas
or worse
with Degah from Vegah