

Three Things

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I've checked in and now I can't check out
it seems
I guess my life is in transition
from one kind of a life
to another
from one kind of a life
to another
I find myself living in Heartbreak Efficiencies
at the corner of Governor & West 114th St.
six units and no doorbells
but what do I need a doorbell for?

All of the men and their women
in the neighborhood
choose to shout at each other in the streets
every Saturday night
early Sunday!
early Sunday!
early Sunday!
I tuned them in
Now I can't tune them out

I checked in and now I...
The man in #2 hanged himself last month
I think I know why he chose the laundry room
but I wonder what became of his two little girls
and who it was that came to take them away

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