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Bobwhite
By Dona Maddux Cooper

each and all are needed

The friendly bobwhite
Kept introducing himself
To sunrise joggers.

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MISCELLANY

Haiku
By Inez Schneider Whitney

past-life panavision

Fields of golden wheat
Cut down by Papa's binder
Shocked by harvest hands.

Suddenly they start
Hailstones pounding on the roof
An Oklahoma storm.

Blue and white daisies
Blooming in our big pasture
At our prairie home.

Barefoot boys and girls
Playing at Prairie View School
In the hot sunshine.

Mt. Hope, our small church,
The old-fashioned M.E. South
On a country road.

VISIONS
By Glen McIntyre

hopeful haunts

We saw the earth our Mother
 carrying
vast green seas of grass, wind caressed, great piles of mountains which
the clouds scraped by,
the rivers dancing in fall sun;
We saw the buffalo our brother,
earth covering until the ground thundered,
though we slew him with
deep veneration
many prayers;
Blue sky was our hunting lodge,
golden sun our fire
and each gift each day brought
was enough;
Long gone those times, high and far away
so that memory now is like a faint breeze
rustling in dry grass;
Yet still, at night
under the secret black sky
memories come back to us
and we have visions.

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