

Back Story

stuck in a time and place machine
with people whose main concern is how they look

a carousel of hypocrites who love lying
to themselves, telling themselves stories,
their stories, the stories of their lives,
their life as a story to be told

the story of a problem, a problem to be solved
a problem to be solved by the good will
of certain individuals
who will appear like talking horses
or angels on the head of a pin

the story of life as a conundrum
an enigma to be understood or not
aphorism by aphorism

the wisdom of children dancing off in the wake
of a man in a funny hat with a pipe