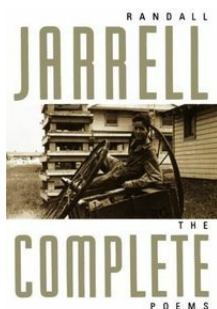


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The Face
Die alte Frau, die alte Marshchallin!
Not good anymore, not beautiful
Not even young.
This isnt mine.
Where is the old one, the old ones?
Those were mine.
Its so: I have pictures,
Not such old ones; people behaved
Differently then
when they meet me they say:
You havent changed.
I want to say: You havent looked.
This is what happens to everyone.
At first you get bigger, you know more,
Then something goes wrong.
You are, and you say: I am
And you werelve been too long.
I know, theres no saying no.
But just the same you say it. No.
Ill point to myself...

I see at last that all the knowledgel wrung from the darknessthat the darkness flung mels worthless as ignorance: nothing comes from nothing,
The darkness from the darkness. Pain comes from...

Reader's Opinions

I have been reading Jarrell for the past year and he completely eludes me, hence no rating, but don't let this dissuade you from taking a stab at Jarrell.

Still my favorite American poet, for Deutch durch Freud, Woman at the Washington Zoo, and so on.