
Fall 1960

A Night-Piece

Roger Loeffler
Western Michigan University

Follow this and additional works at: <https://scholarworks.wmich.edu/calliope>



Part of the Creative Writing Commons

Recommended Citation

Loeffler, Roger (1960) "A Night-Piece," *Calliope (1954-2001)*: Vol. 7 , Article 13.
Available at: <https://scholarworks.wmich.edu/calliope/vol7/iss1/13>

This Poetry is brought to you for free and open access by the English at ScholarWorks at WMU. It has been accepted for inclusion in Calliope (1954-2001) by an authorized editor of ScholarWorks at WMU. For more information, please contact wmu-scholarworks@wmich.edu.

ROGER LOEFFLER

A Night-Piece

A winnowed tree 'gainst a moonful sky,
The blue-white night,

Loneliness and I

All stood watching worlds drive by.

Inwhimsoned by the heavensome crowd,
In wonderment I asked aloud,

 "What Systemed Unification
Binds God and Man and Heaven?"

 "What Natural Legislation
Governs Morning, Man, and Me?"

 "What Divine Ordination

Summons Nature's flow . . .

 but Silence mocked,

 "rocks in space and a dead tree!
 you're quite mad, you know."