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# **ROADWAYS**

Signposts indicate routes.  
Follow this road.  
Do not deviate  
If you wish to reach  
Your destination.

Clear away the herbiage.  
No overgrown trees or shrubs  
Must block a view  
Of oncoming traffic  
At crossroads.

Do not linger.  
There is no time  
To absorb impressions  
Or transform them  
Into complex subtleties.

Utility's the key,  
There is no need for variety.  
Square cut houses  
On uniform blocks  
Will do.

Forget the imagination.  
The bitumen highway  
Has been marked out clearly for you.