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Dear Seymour,

I just saw a good quote from Thelonious Monk: "I don't know where jazz is going. Maybe it's going to hell. You can't make anything go anywhere. It just happens."

Well, one occasionally likes to think contrary to Mr. Monk, but perhaps he's right. My conservative powers are not what I'd like them to be. It's all I can do to preserve a vague interest in my own poems. And then I ask the Remnant to be interested also in the environments of St. EOM, the music of Arnold Bax, the cornbread of my grandmother. It's too much.

It's too early to be definite about the next JARGON SOCIETY publications, but you can say something more or less like the following if you wish to:

THE JARGON SOCIETY, long known as 'the truffle-hound of American poetry' and 'the Custodian of Snowflakes' (Hugh Kenner), is turning its attention from poetry and photography to take in other isolates and eccentrics close to director Jonathan Williams's heart. Tom Patterson is working on the autobiography of St. EOM of Buena Vista, Georgia and the resulting book will have many color and black-and-white photographs of EOM's Land of Pasaquan. Patterson will follow that monograph with one on the Rev. Howard Finster, of Pennville, Georgia, with photographs by John Turner... Jonathan Williams, meantime, is working on a book of southern weirds (sophisticated, naive, and full-tilt bodacious). Suggestions are welcome at his address: Highlands, NC 28741. Telephone: (704) 526-3213. Cheers,

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### July 1-: Highlands

More folk-art ...

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