

SPACE CONQUEST : COMPUTER POEM *

NECK OF SWUNG ARMY
WESTERN SINNERS NOW
WITH PART FIT OF BRAIN
ARE SUDDEN ALL PRIDE

TRACK THE PART STARLESS
WHICH WERE STARS THROUGH HIS

SKIES COUGH DAZED FACES
WHERE NOTHING SANK TIRED
THEIR DARK LUCIFER
HUGGED SINNERS' SNOWS AND
WHITE THROUGH NOW WITH PRICKED
EYES CANCELLED BLACKNESS

EARLE BIRNEY

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