

What Ohio Needs

Ohio needs three active volcances.
Ohio needs a seashore.
Part of Ohio should be jungle.
There should be lots
of action in Ohio, but
very few people — surfers,
poets, rock-climbers,
beautiful girls.
Ohio needs many undiscovered
caverns, and at least twenty
peaks over 5000 meters.
There should be no roads
in Ohio.
Ohio needs a fjord.
And at least two
distinct species
of wild horses
should live in Ohio.

The Duke of Chemical Birds

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Winsome, brindle widows
from the blue tombs of Pennsylvania
watch the Duke of Chemical Birds
fly the telluric clouds,
braving the thermals of Akron.

He wears his Parma socks,
he was born in Toledo
of graven images, and he
lusts in a latex suit.

The Duke of Chemical Birds
has a degree from Bowling