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## O West Wind!

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# Ents

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*Bob De Smith*

They aren't Tolkien's trees  
Exactly,  
But if you are not looking,  
They will pluck off your  
Billed hat  
Or prod you between the shoulder blades  
Like some wooden desperado:  
"Put 'em up!"  
They'll scratch you unawares,  
Blood a dried trickle down your forearm,  
As you wield the push mower  
Beneath low, reaching branches.

# O West Wind!

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*Bob De Smith*

Spring winds  
Decide to rearrange  
The play things.  
A weathered basketball  
Runs the curb line,  
And two shuttlecocks  
Show up in the back yard.  
But that wiffle ball—  
Is long gone.