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What the Omniscient Narrator Would Say to the Reporter Regarding the Fight at 1372 N. Main

Both Bill and Barry took strong drink. They were both of humankind. The alcohol did then pre-shrink each man's brain will he was stone-blind. The employee who tests will soon find that violence is, indeed, crowned on top of the hot daily grind. Both Bill and Barry heard profound belligerent cries out in Puget Sound

like some thought balloon colored pink that sets red chakras unaligned like Femo clay or Shrinkydink mismolded in a pile behind a microwaved orange rind or by drinking tea made with horehound. For this particular bout each signed his name to no contract, nor found out prior to contact both were bound

by some caucasoidal misthink which guides some macho men inclined to violence. They think ratfink who dares to jostle them unkindly is a cactus, well-spined in its own defense all-around by sharp attacks, which also bind each man to act the muscle-bound mean tyrant and declare it a battleground

on the land he stands, then the cross-link between Barry and Bill did spark, steamlined as it was by their hormones, skinklike: each sprang to the fight. In kind, did each man rain blows to spellbind all those who watched and wraparound their eyes? and make their necks unwind in that direction? They turned around quick as they could and did surround

the players. Even ones in mink.

All took to noise and demanded: rewind each blow and land it afresh! a blink and I missed it! Get them confined and study them in double-blind and scientific ways! Eastbound. A quiet person, master of mind, became aware of the fairground where the fight proceeded. He could expound

to these poor cretins: levels sink to speak on somewhat common mind waves, but there would be a large wink in the great cosmic eye. Unbind as many as he can: fork-tined as each man is by torque's foot-pound and karmic pressure: hoodman-blind is each man to good God's foreground. Resplendent glory overshadows us: Newshound.

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