

INMAN MAJORS

Other Fields

I

Andy Hawkins will not go down with the ball.
Small kids bounce off his churning knees.
Bigger boys, who try to take him high,
fly back, bucked off.
Swirling red hair
and overall buttons
straining, churning, digging,
he will not go down.
In seven years
he will drive to the Smoky Mountains
and put a gun in his mouth.
See him now.
He wears red Adidas
and a Boone's Farm Strawberry Wine t-shirt.
He will coax a hissing 'possum
out of the garbage for your mother.

II

A game begins beyond
what we know of mountains and memory.
Throw him the ball.