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- 85. Old orpheum brick resisting spring wrecking ball my shattering dreams
- 86. Many years later parades, speeches and picnics; memory of dead dreams.
- 87. Fledgling orioles overflow their hammock nest, chirp consternation.
- 88. Trees burst into leaf Birds build nests and lay their eggs, song warns intruders
- 89. Tumbling grey clouds fishermen with bait and line the bleak, spring ocean
- 90. Heels flatten dry grass clouds scurry across the sky pale autumn--full moon
- 91. Memorial Day dandelions by fresh grave a cock crows again
- 92. Old men still marching--Memorial day parade.. The legless youth sneers.
- 93. First windstorm of Spring.. branches knock at my window, but no one answers
- 94. One eye still showing, Toad digs deeper in the mud, Hearing the children
- 95. The spring sea darkens... from glass eye of the lighthouse a more intense gaze
- 96. Forget-me-nots for the bowl before his picture... Memorial Day
- 97. The old Indian puts on his feathered headress--Memorial Day
- 98. An unknown bird cry and beat of wings overhead through the drifting mist
- 99. Just a boy and girl hand in hand strolling the sand-halo 'round the moon
- 100. Memorial Day a parade of bright flowers adorn the old graves.
- 101. Sunday an old man places roses on new grave sits alone on bench

- 102. Shadows on the porch mockingbirds song fills the air porch swing slowly rocks.
- 103. fife and drum sounds fade into the distant green shade; Memorial Day
- 104. Memorial Day; Old doorman in tuxedo salutes a soldier.
- 105. Girl buys a red rose in the hospital gift shop-keeping Mother's Day...
- 106. May Day in the park: The boy gets out of his car to dance in light rain...
- 107. Memorial Day on window of empty house a faded gold star
- 108. Fragrant marsh grasses edge the lake with sharp May blades-a crane rises clear.
- 109. Magnolia bush glossy under the spring moon rocks split by root strength.
- 110. Soft ginkgo seedlings carpet the concrete driveway-infant forest dies.
- 111. Decoration Day the jar of blue irises beside the white cross
- 112. In his first parade, small drummer-boy out of step--Memorial Day
- 113. This May thirtieth: someone has placed a small flag YK g(3) in the angel's hand K. furth
  - 114. Trembling hands hold wreath Memorial Day honor old woman bows head
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  - 118. Memorial Day even the flagpole fittings clang as marchers pass
  - 119. Memorial Day air-force veteran watching wind dissolve jet stream
  - 120. Memorial Day motorbikes scarring the slope where battle once raged
  - 121. In a color dream in and out of the green leaves she's picking cherries
  - 122. On a cobweb thread a single spruce needle hangs twirling in the wind

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- 123. Dropped from the lilac now edging the candle cup the green worm circles
- 124. Memorial Day: shadows intrude with shadowsthe wind with voices
- 125. Small beaks full of twigsthe sparrows, so diligent... the cat, so watchful
- 126. graveyard graver still fifty stars at every cross -<sup>M</sup>emorial Day
- 127. lepers left by war under light of broken sky Memorial Day
- 128. across the gravestone Memorial Day comment whispered web design
- 129. This May Day parade only reminds me of him in memorium
- 130. Beside her tombstone I lay the pink peonies--How Mother loved them!
- 131. My small granddaughter-with a smile and a rosebush on this Mother's Day.
- 132. No place to sit down, benches and beach sites taken; Memorial Day.
- 133. Parks and beaches crowded, the cemetary not so -Memorial Day.
- 134. Nothing now remains for her but to watch mallards returning in pairs
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  135. Spring graduationfirst crayoned mother's day card
- p- hidden in my purse
  136. Waiting, his musket cradled in trembling fingers-Memorial Day
- 137. She fingers the name among names carved on the plaque —  $M^{(5)}$  Memorial Day
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  - 138. in old uniform he stands a little straighter ----- $N(\lambda)$  Memorial Day

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- 139. Still at the headland most of wrecked sailing vessel departing spring day
- 140. Mail delivery boat arrives at the lighthouse isle approaching summer
- 141. submarine appeared fluttering national flag against the May breeze

Non-Teikei-Haiku

- 142. Sun, U bolt orange, Configure yur GREEN changes, <u>FRAME</u> the rose !!!!!!!
- 143. Oh bluebird ! Sweep me to luv sweetness ! A brite harbinger !!!

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- 84. The ghosts of pear trees in spring flood of delta isle dream of ripened fruit.
- 85. Old orpheum brick resisting spring wrecking ball my shattering dreams
- 86. Many years later parades, speeches and picnics; memory of dead dreams.
- 87. Fledgling orioles overflow their hammock nest, chirp consternation.
- 88. Trees burst into leaf Birds build nests and lay their eggs, song warns intruders
- 89. Tumbling grey clouds fishermen with bait and line the bleak, spring ocean
- 90. Heels flatten dry grass clouds scurry across the sky pale autumn--full moon
- 91. Memorial Day dandelions by fresh grave a cock crows again
- 92. Old men still marching--Memorial day parade.. The legless youth sneers.
- 93. First windstorm of Spring.. branches knock at my window, but no one answers
- 94. One eye still showing, Toad digs deeper in the mud, Hearing the children
- 95. The spring sea darkens... from glass eye of the lighthouse a more intense gaze
- 96. Forget-me-nots for the bowl before his picture... Memorial Day
- 97. The old Indian puts on his feathered headress--Memorial Day
- 98. An unknown bird cry and beat of wings overhead through the drifting mist
- 99. Just a boy and girl hand in hand strolling the sand-halo 'round the moon
- 100. Memorial Day a parade of bright flowers adorn the old graves.
- 101. Sunday an old man places roses on new grave sits alone on bench

- 102. Shadows on the porch mockingbirds song fills the air porch swing slowly rocks.
- 103. fife and drum sounds fade into the distant green shade; Memorial Day
- 104. Memorial Day; Old doorman in tuxedo salutes a soldier.
- 105. Girl buys a red rose in the hospital gift shop-keeping Mother's Day...
- 106. May Day in the park: The boy gets out of his car to dance in light rain...
- 107. Memorial Day on window of empty house a faded gold star
- 108. Fragrant marsh grasses edge the lake with sharp May blades-a crane rises clear.
- 109. Magnolia bush glossy under the spring moon rocks split by root strength.
- 110. Soft ginkgo seedlings carpet the concrete driveway-infant forest dies.
- 111. Decoration Day the jar of blue irises beside the white cross
- 112. In his first parade, small drummer-boy out of step--Memorial Day
- 113. This May thirtieth: someone has placed a small flag in the angel's hand
- 114. Trembling hands hold wreath Memorial Day honor old woman bows head
- 115. Single flower in vase Memorial Day token this year, her birthdate
- 116. Almond-blossoms scent Japanese garden wedding waterfall music
- 117. Colorful carp flags flutter high above farm house how many boys there?
- 118. Memorial Day even the flagpole fittings clang as marchers pass
- 119. Memorial Day air-force veteran watching wind dissolve jet stream
- 120. Memorial Day motorbikes scarring the slope where battle once raged
- 121. In a color dream in and out of the green leaves she's picking cherries
- 122. On a cobweb thread a single spruce needle hangs twirling in the wind

124. Memorial Day: shadows intrude with shadowsthe wind with voices 6

- 125. Small beaks full of twigsthe sparrows, so diligent... the cat, so watchful
- 126. graveyard graver still fifty stars at every cross -<sup>M</sup>emorial Day
- 127. lepers left by war under light of broken sky Memorial Day
- 128. across the gravestone Memorial Day comment whispered web design
- 129. This May Day parade only reminds me of him in memorium

- 130. Beside her tombstone I lay the pink peonies--How Mother loved them!
- 131. My small granddaughter-with a smile and a rosebush on this Mother's Day.
- 132. No place to sit down, benches and beach sites taken; Memorial Day.
- 133. Parks and beaches crowded, the cemetary not so -Memorial Day.
- 134. Nothing now remains for her but to watch mallards returning in pairs
- 135. Spring graduationfirst crayoned mother's day card hidden in my purse
- 136. Waiting, his musket cradled in trembling fingers-Memorial Day
- 137. She fingers the name among names carved on the plaque — Memorial Day
- 138. in old uniform he stands a little straighter — Memorial Day
- 139. Still at the headland most of wrecked sailing vessel departing spring day
- 140. Mail delivery boat arrives at the lighthouse isle approaching summer
- 141. submarine appeared fluttering national flag against the May breeze
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- 142. Sun, U bolt orange, Configure yur GREEN changes, <u>FRAME</u> the rose !!!!!!
- 43. Oh bluebird ! Sweep me to luv sweetness ! A brite harbinger !!!

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#### Mr. Teruo Yamagata's Comments:

I feel it is necessary (I may say essential) for a judge of haiku to have an all-encompassing knowledge. I have visited many museums and churches in Italy and other European countries, and I keenly felt that I would not have been able to understand or appreciate the famous paintings and other arts without a knowledge of Christianity and its history. In the same way a judge of haiku should be widely read and well-educated.

Even if one has tried hard to learn one's knowledge will be still limited. In 95 and 101 there are short explanations which are very helpful for us, although I have heard so much of "Okei" (first Japanese immigrant to the United States) before.

It has been said that selecting haiku is much more difficult than writing haiku.