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An Ode to Dr. Deardorff

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NICOLAS HEATH

"Make it new!" Those are your words—
—Though not exactly yours.

I think they belong to Pound
But same kind of difference

Minus the fascism of course
But add a summer school polo

And wire rimmed spectacles
The pea coat that envelopes you on

The long walk from Ambassador
May I say I'm happy you make the journey

Taking us on a tour through
Wharton, Fitzgerald, Stein, and Hughes and

Springsteen.

"Make it new!" Those are your words—
—And may I say, you do just that.