

Founder

one seed
 didn't sprout
and another

the horse died
 then the cow
the land became a development
 sprouting sidewalks

found one boy
 a dan
 de
 lion
 breaking the concrete

he played the cello he grew words
 into
 corn
 and
 wheat

 and he fed his people

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