

The Dr. Seuss That Switched His Voice

“He switched to the Anglicized pronunciation because it ‘evoked a figure advantageous for an author of children’s books.’” *Louis Menand*

The Dr. Seuss
that switched his voice
did not rejoice
“a flag of truce!
constant misuse
by the obtuse -
stop that abuse!

i’m Dr. Seuss! ”
His German voice
was much too moist
so Dr. Seuss
made a choice:
“like Mother Goose
now i’m Seuss
as American Seuss
as apple juice!
not Rolls or Royce
not *Dr. Soyss*
just call me Sewss!
no more excuse
for making noise
about my voice
so now i choooosh
to introduce
not Bruce or Zeus
but Dr. Seuss!!!

The American muuse
found Dr. Seuss
but goosed
the voice
of Doktor Seuss.

~ *Joe Dolce* ~
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