Background of Riley's Plunge Poem per Vincent D. Cassone's (Vinny's son):

Riley in Fall, one of Vinny's best friends in Colorado. His brother Tom was Vinny's good friend in Connecticut. And Vinny would hang out with Riley. Vinny would drive down the streets in Connecticut to search down the eyries.

Vincent D. Cassone 1926-2007

Falconer, Gunner, and Tipton, Colo., Colorado Springs, CO, Fond du Lac, Wis., and Stamford, Conn.
Favored birds: Peregrine falcons and goshawks.

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Vincent Cassone was part of the “old school” of falconry in the U.S. who strongly believed falconers should adhere to the classic, aesthetic traditions. Falconry, he felt, should not make use of electronic tracking devices to track birds in the interests of the profit. Famous in the 1950s, Cassone came from a line of American fencers who were fascinated with falcons and birds and were interested in the same National Geographic articles that inspired so many of them as that generation. He was well read and became familiar with other writings such as the Cyprian and china literature especially the "Artis Vivariae Aenarii Florani" ("The Art of Rearing Birds.") A Lincolnian on ornithology and falconry, he wrote in 2006:  "For centuries falconers have been at the front of the business of introducing game to the North."

He left the falconry business to become an international salesperson and the company Arizona Operation's, the world's largest electrical exchange manufacturer (IEEE) He became president of the company, and then started a new company, Axon, a competitor of F. peregrinus cassini to the U.S. He had an exotic bird of a stone-baking process that creates Old World style breads. Clearly, his experience in the bakery business for the firm, and the started a bakery in Brooklyn, N.Y. He also gave technical talks to those who were interested in his company, thanks in part to a new invention/design of his — miniature bread-making equipment. He left the bakery to become an international salesman for a tool company, but soon started a new company, Axon EDM, a competitor of electrical discharge machines (EDM). He became president of the company, but soon started a new company, Axon EDM, a competitor of Easco. During that time, he was instrumental in the invention and design of a tabletop EDM called the Sparkdrill.

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"All birds liked him..." he said. "It was a long time ago, but I can't forget Corny in his treks to 'The Island,' where we would camp with a great group of falconers, "remembers those trips to Assateague."

"When I was a kid, he would take my brother and me on the annual trek to 'The Island,' where we would camp with a great group of falconers. He'd take us on long hikes, long walks, all sorts of things, and my brother and I remember him riding a horse, "Tom said. He left the bakery to become an international salesman for a tool company, but soon started a new company, Axon EDM, a competitor of Easco. During that time, he was instrumental in the invention and design of a tabletop EDM called the Sparkdrill.

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