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NONPOEMS

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AMERICAN MANIFESTO

I left the communist totalitarianism and emigrated to the United States for **the freedom**:

Therefore, don't force any literary rules on me!
Or, if you do, I'll certainly encroach upon them.

I'm not a poet,
that's why I write poetry.

I'm an anti-poet or non-poet.

I thus came to America to re-build the Statue of Liberty

of the Verse, delivered from the tyranny of the classic and its dogma. I allowed any boldness:

.anti-literature and its literature

.flexible forms fixed, or the live face of the death!

.style of the non-style

.poems without verse

(because poems don't mean words)-

dumb poems with loud voice

.poems without poems

(because the notion of "poem" doesn't match any definition found in dictionaries or

encyclopedias)-poems which exist by their absence

.after-war literature: pages and pages bombed by filthiness, triteness, and non-poeticity

.paralinguistic verse (only!): graphics, lyrical portraits, drawings, drafts...

.non-words and non-sentence poems

.very upset free verse and

trivial hermetic verse

.intelligible unintelligible language

.unsolved and open problems of mathematics like

very nice poems of the spirit-we must

scientificize the art in this technical century.

.impersonal texts personalized

.electrical shock

.translation from the impossible into the possible,

or transformation of the abnormal to the normal

.pro Non-Art Art

.make literature from everything,

make literature from nothing!

The poet is not a prince of ducks! The notion of "poetry" and its derivatives have become old-

fashioned in this century, and people laugh at them in disregard. I'm ashamed to affirm that I create lyrical texts, I hide them. People neither read nor listen to lyrical texts anymore, but they will read this volume because it's nothing to read! However, the Paradoxist Movement is neither nihilism, nor despairity.

The book of non-poems is a protest against art's marketing. Do you writers sell your feelings? Do you create only for money?? Only books about crimes, sex, horror are published. Where is the true Art?

In begging....

You may find in this book of uncollected poems everything you don't need and don't like: poems not to be read, not to be heard, not to be written at all! Enjoy them. Only after nuisance you really know what pleasure means. They provide a mirror of everybody's infinite soul. Art, generally speaking, is pushed up to its last possible frontiers toward non-art, and even more...Better a book of blank pages, than one which says nothing.

A very abstract and symbolic language is further used, but very concrete at the same time: non-restrictive verse from any form or content. It takes advantage of cliché against itself.

EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE, THEREFORE: THE IMPOSSIBLE ALSO! Hence don't wonder about this anti-book!

If you don't understand it, that means you understand all. That is the goal of the manifesto. Because Art is not for the mind, but for feelings. Because Art is also for the mind. Try to interpret the uninterpretable! Your imagination may flourish as a cactus in a desert.

But, The American Manifesto of THE PARADOXIST MOVEMENT is especially a revolt of the emigrant to the United States who doesn't speak English, against the language-an anti-language book written in more than broken English (the American speech of Tomorrow?)...

Florentin Smarandache

UPSET-POEMS

FUTURE OF THE FUTURE

I may can not may
but I can not may
to be in agreement
with
their disagreement.
I ~~assure~~ the offensive
take the defensive.

Dear deer,
- Hear, here!
Buy, by
our hour,
four fore
pears pairs!
- Sun son,
no! Know
two, too!
- Hi! Hie!

DIALOGUE OF DEAF PERSONS

- Are you an American?
- No, I am another.
- Are you a tourist?
- No, I am two ones,
for I'm not alone but with me.
- What o'clock is it?
- It is seven o'clock hen.
- Yes, it's seven o'clock at
my sock.

CHARACTER

Billy is a Johnny

Johnny is a George

George is a Jack, namely

George Jack Frost.

Peter is a Michael son

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Caesar was not a Caesar

but

a Judas.

Jimmy is a Tommy.

His artist will be an

artiste . . .

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A JUDAS.

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IN A FEW DAYS WILL BE AN

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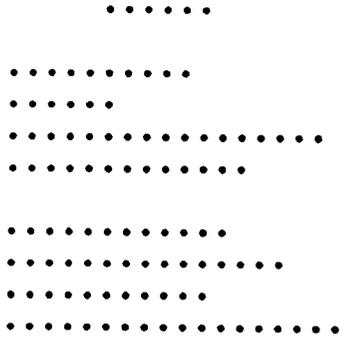
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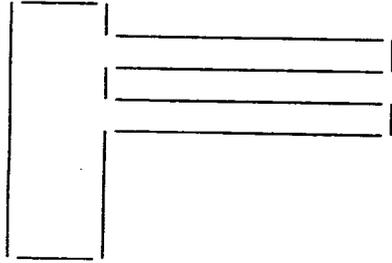
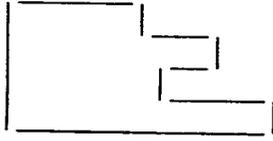
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Graphic-Poems





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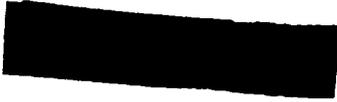
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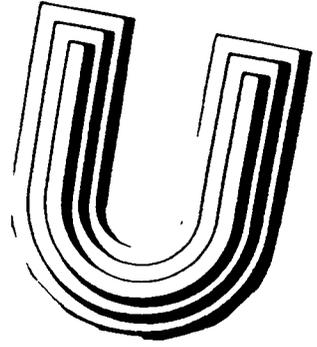


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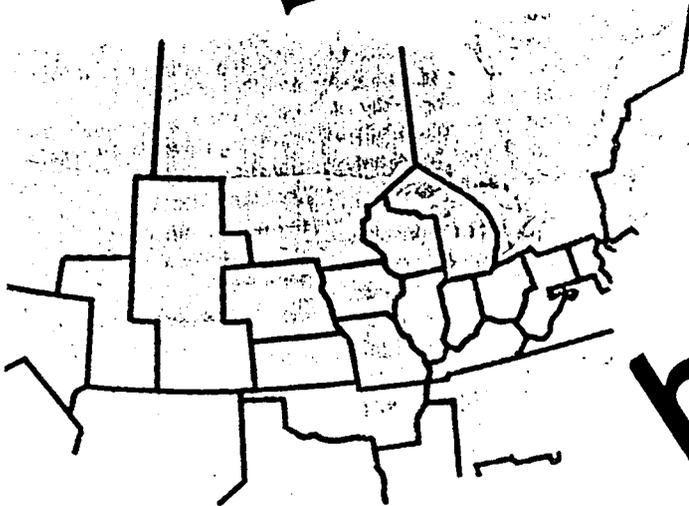
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## POEMS in Pirissanorech<sup>1</sup>

(<sup>1</sup>Language spoken in the South-West  
of the United States by a single  
person)

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Pptjnbmk fhgbvnnmm,  
sdxcprrr nvbhgngghfb m-n h gt'k  
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trfdt hfgtb ! Ppkpklm g gfgf fgfg  
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dhgfbvgctr cnvbvh.

( Translated from English to  
Pirissanorenych by the author )

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$$\left( 1 + \frac{1}{n-1} \right)^n > 2$$

$$\left( \frac{n}{kn-1} \right)^n > -1$$

$$y = \frac{m}{n} \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \mathbb{Z}, \quad m \neq 1$$

$$1/x^{1/n} + 1/n = \lfloor x \rfloor$$

$$h(x) = x^{\frac{1}{n}} - x + 1 - \frac{1}{n} < 0$$

$$x = a^n, \quad a \in \mathbb{Q}.$$

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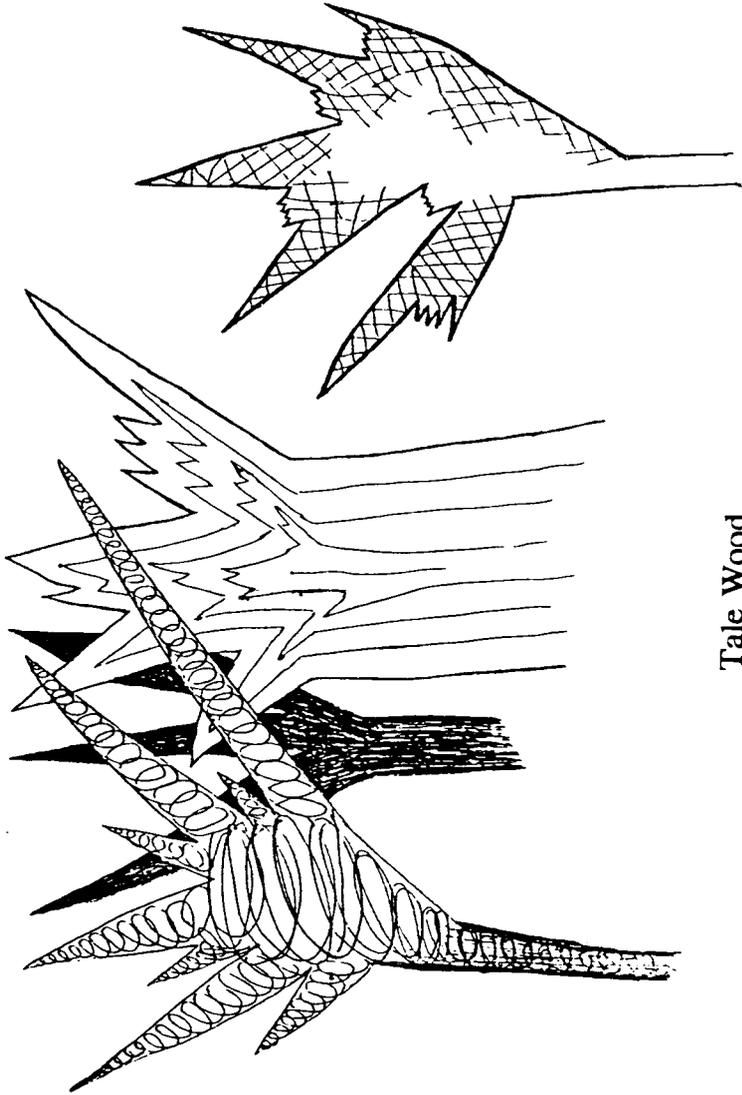
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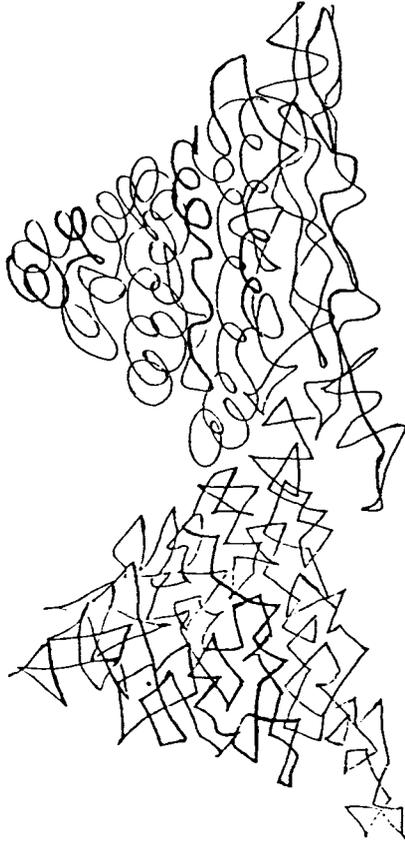
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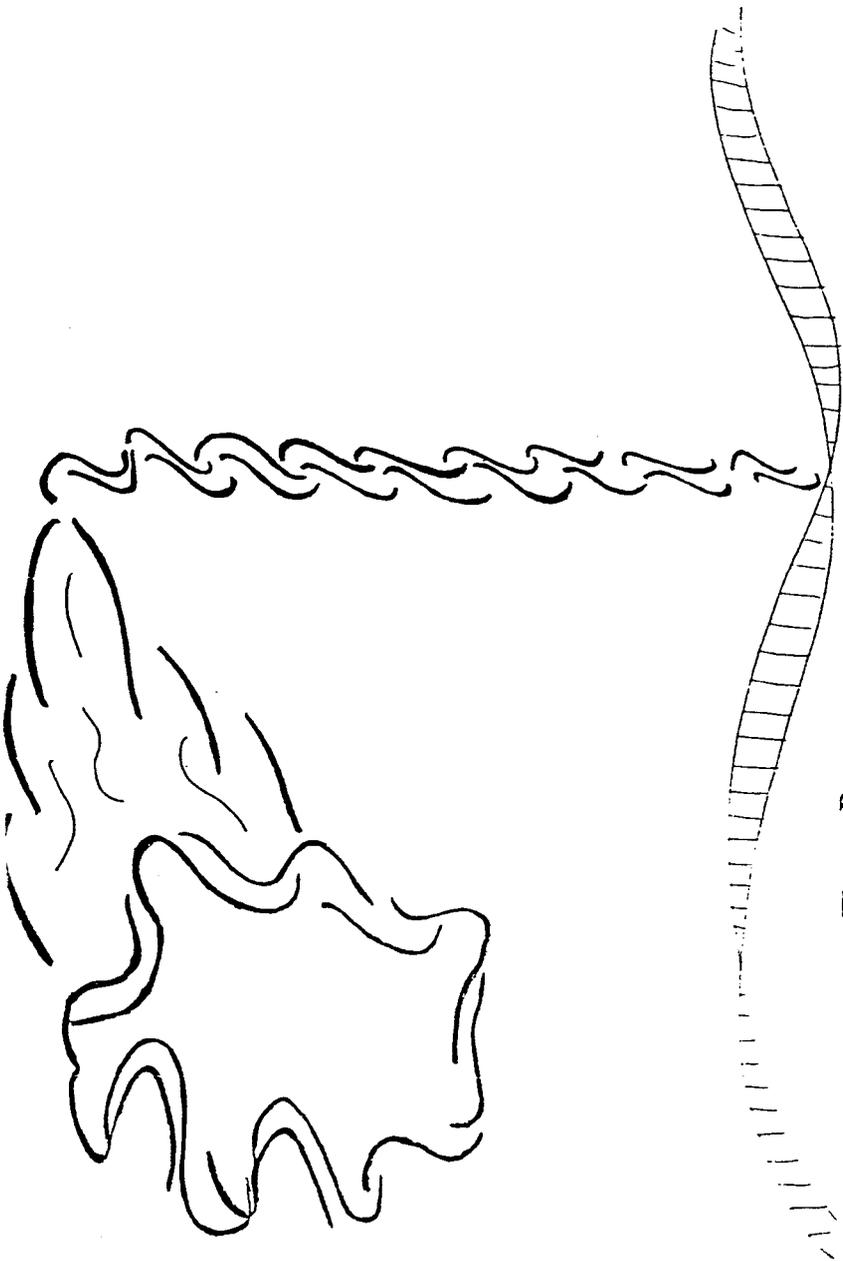
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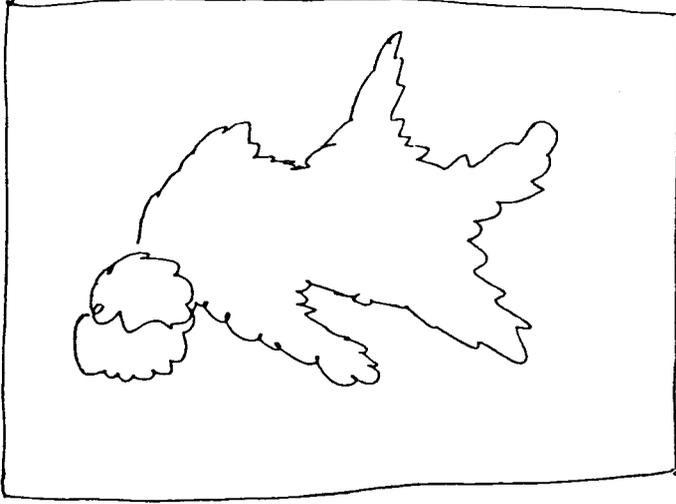
Tale Wood



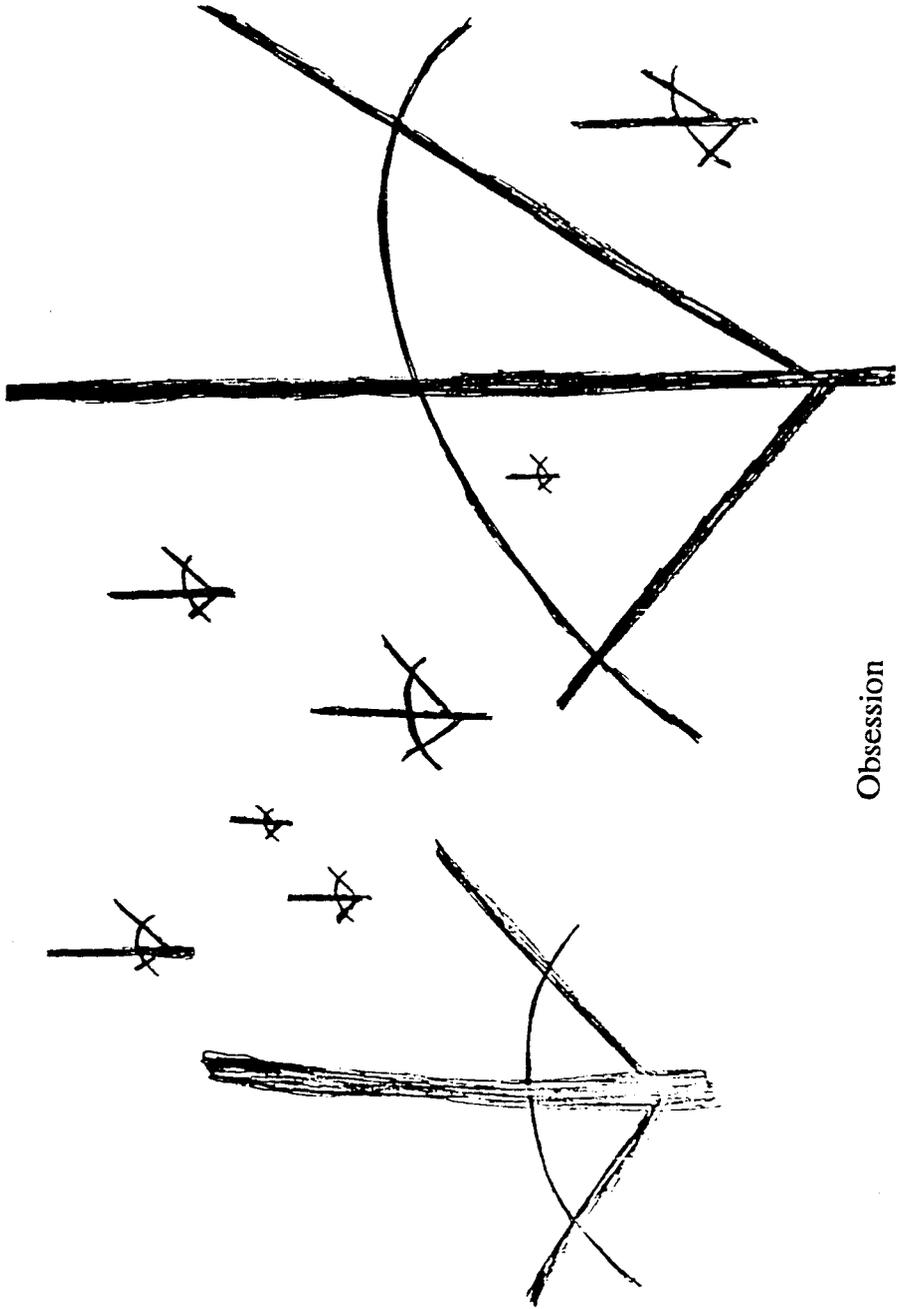
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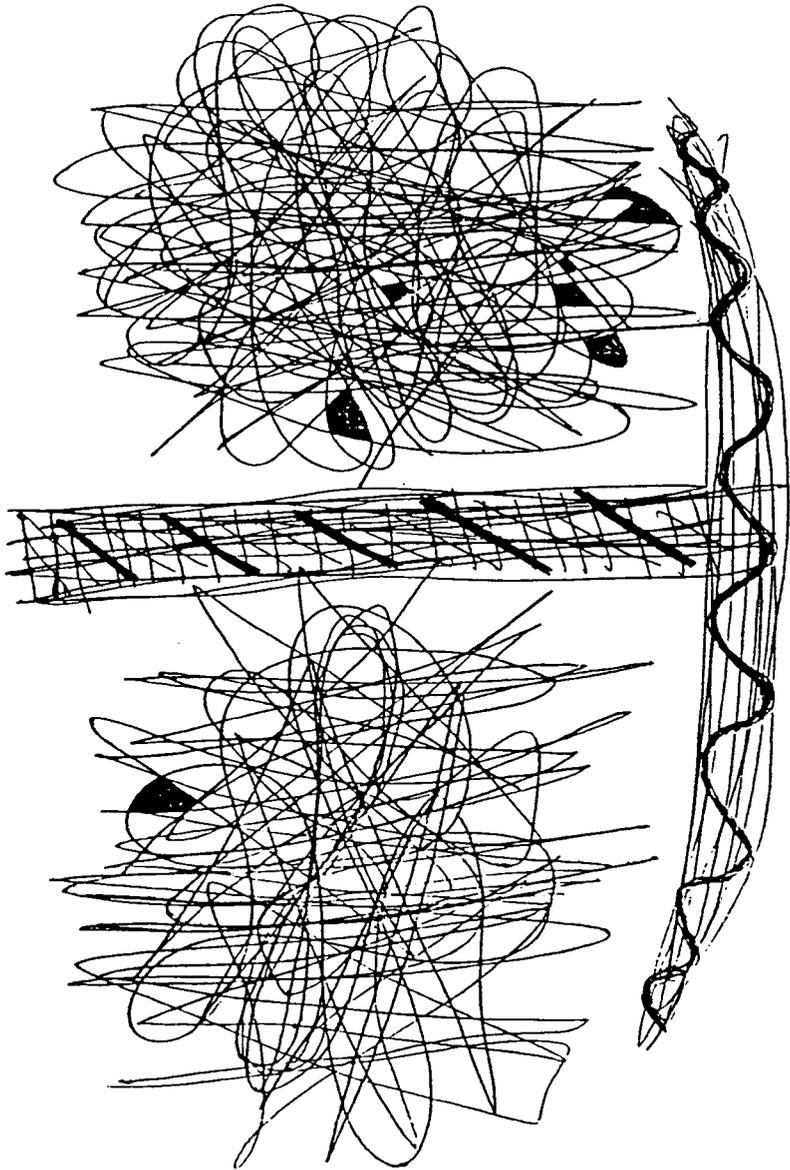
Flower-Poem



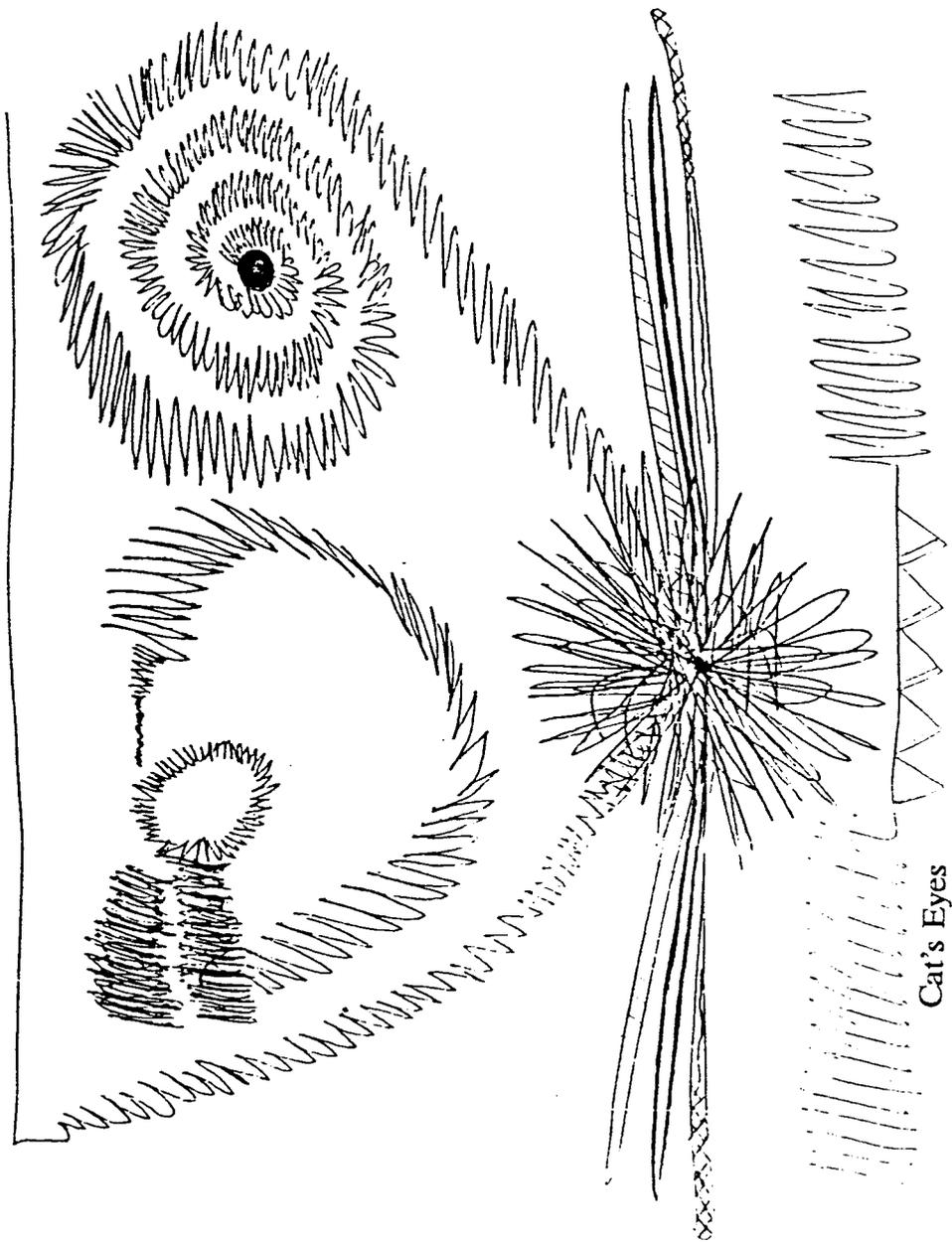
**Dream from Alaska**



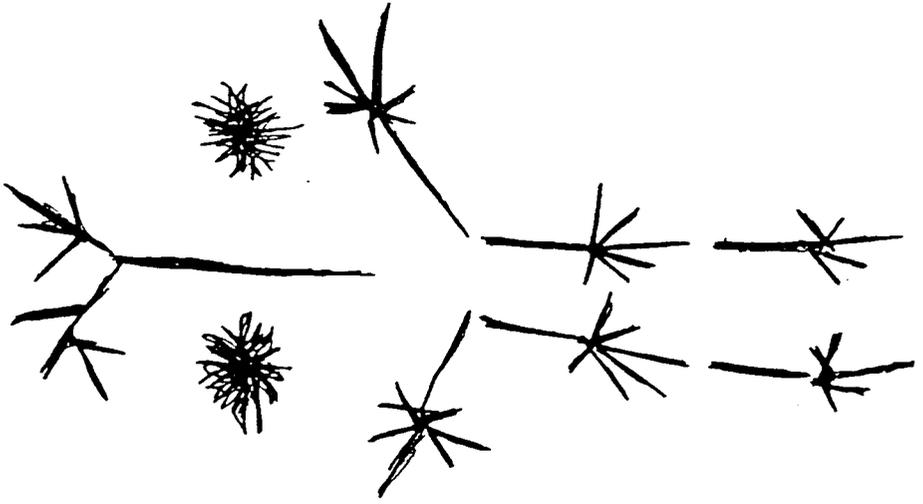
Obsession



Boat of Noe



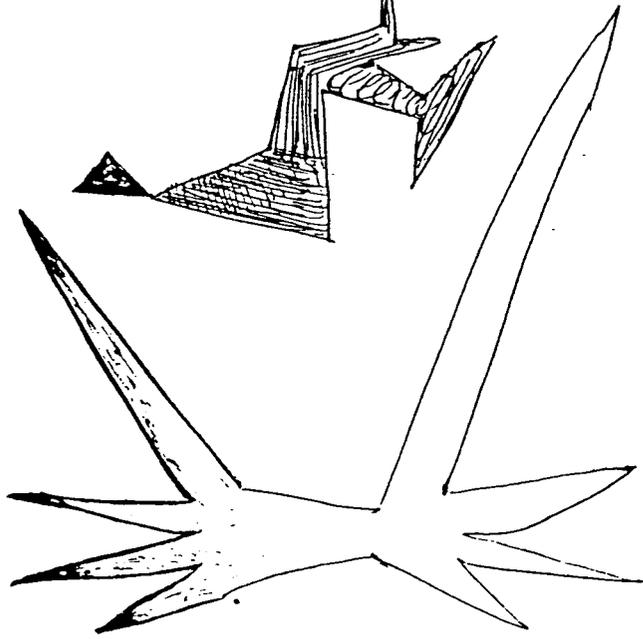
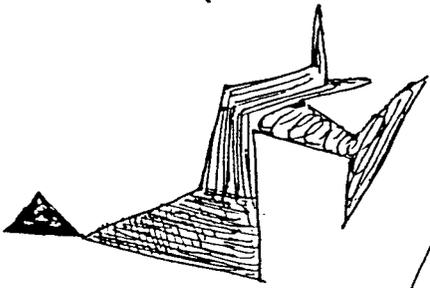
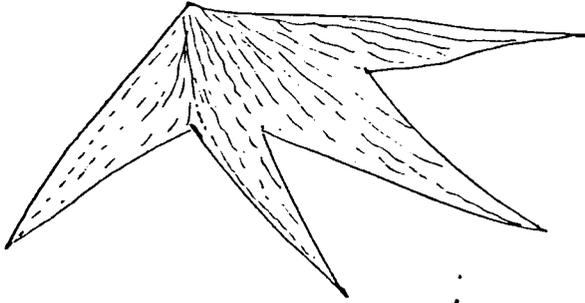
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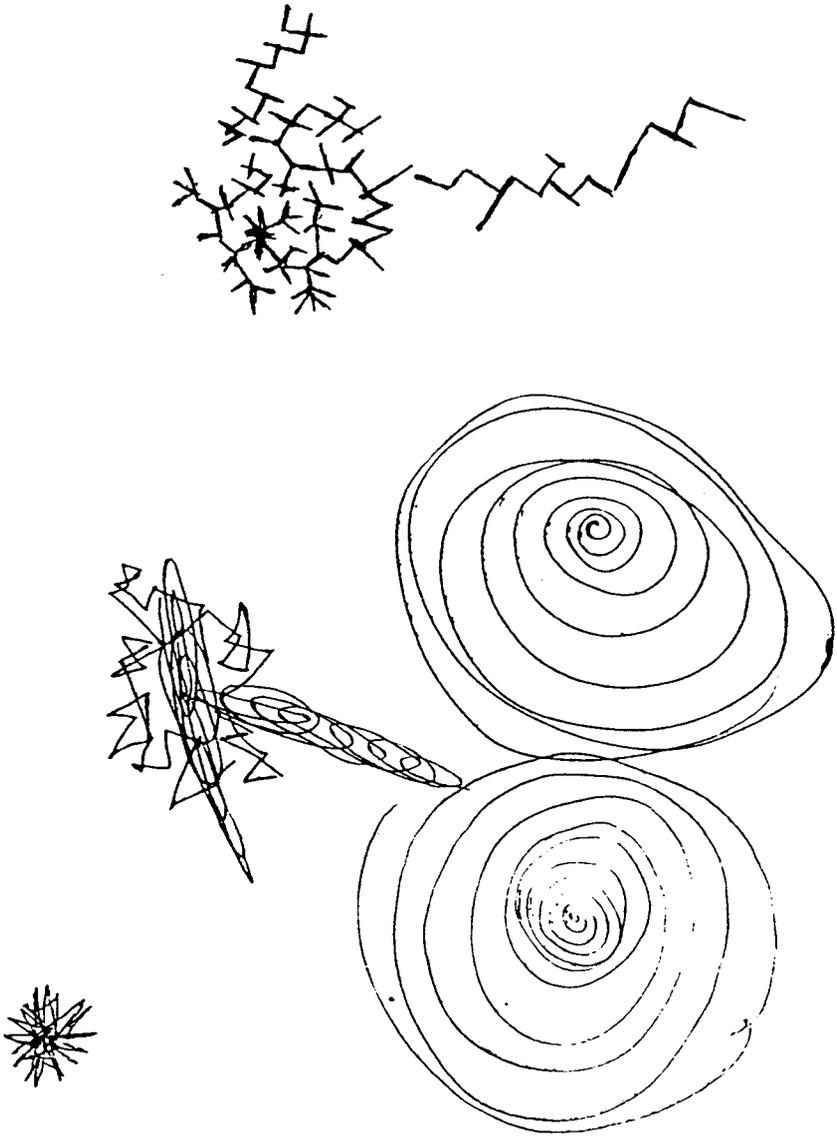
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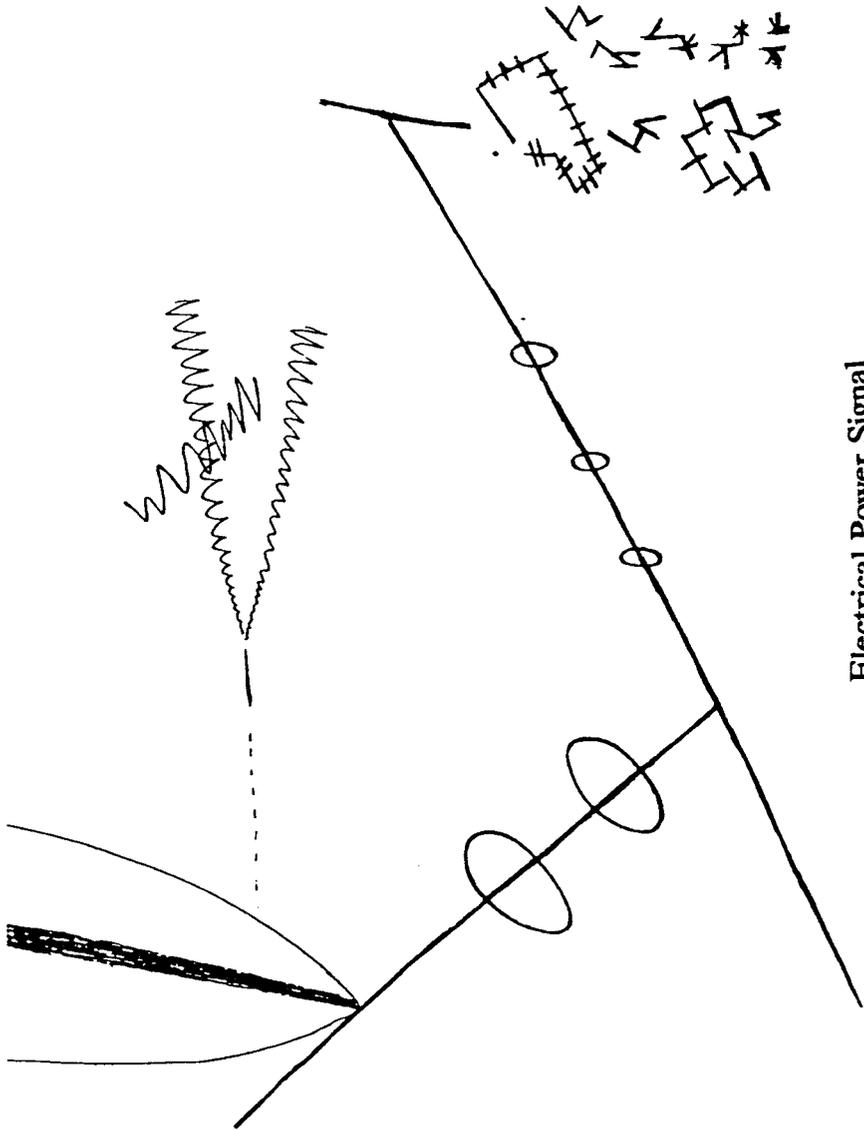
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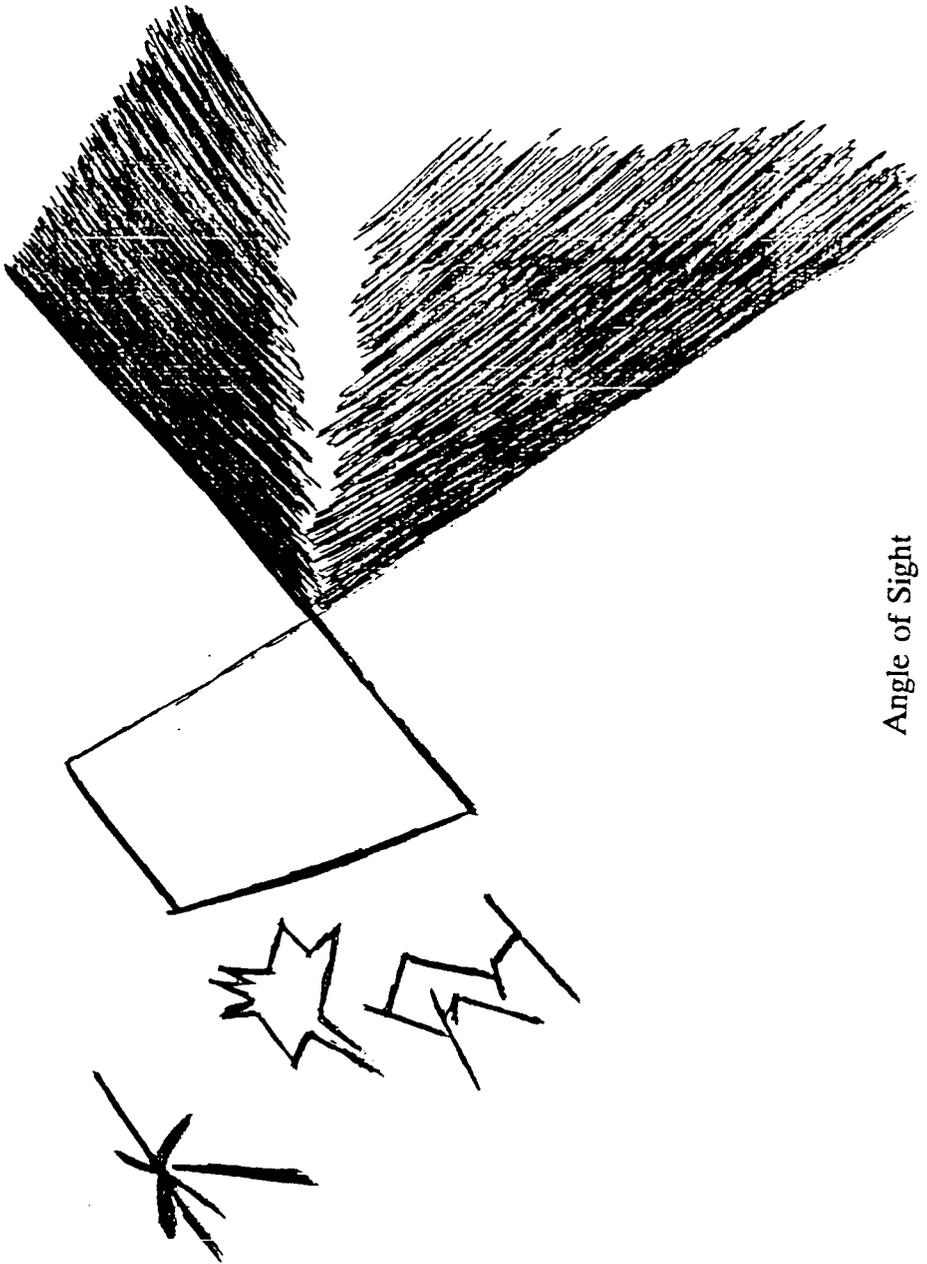
**Future Man**



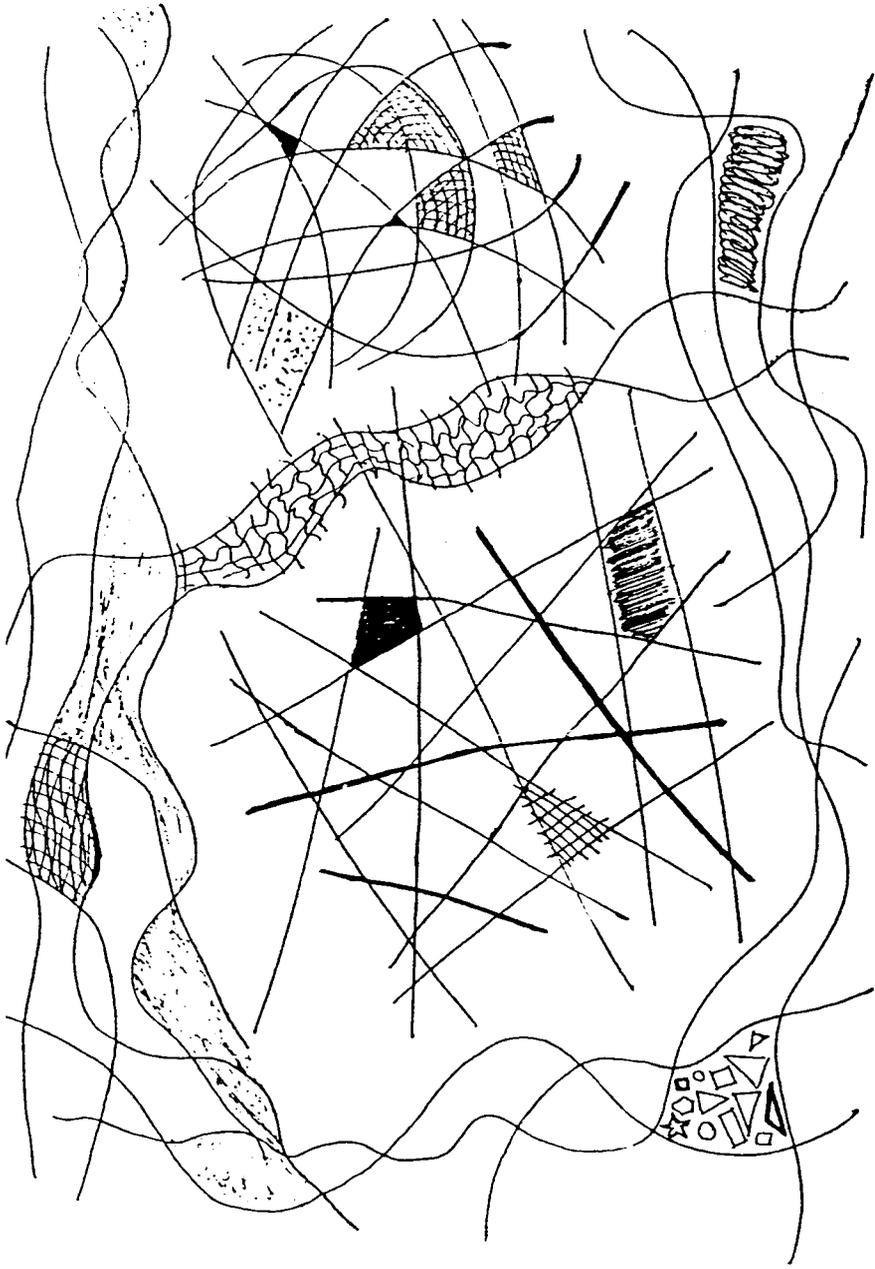
Genius Twinkle



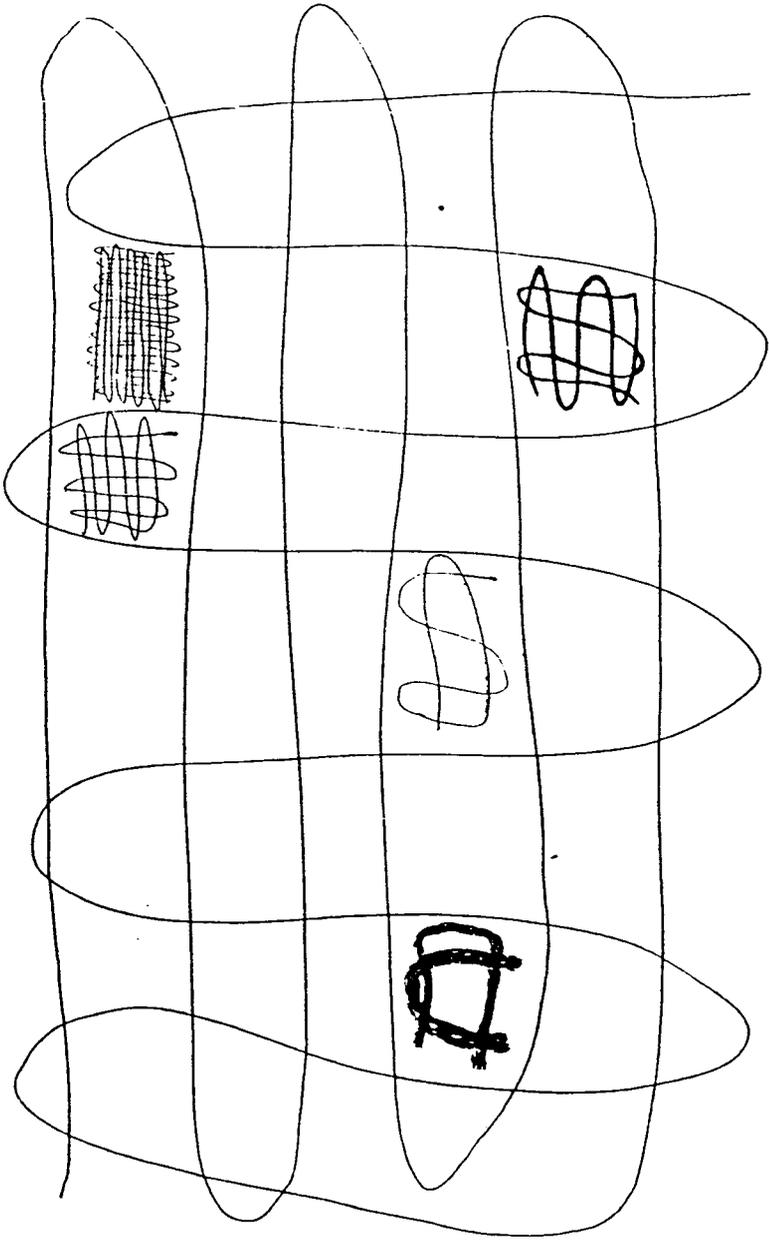
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Angle of Sight

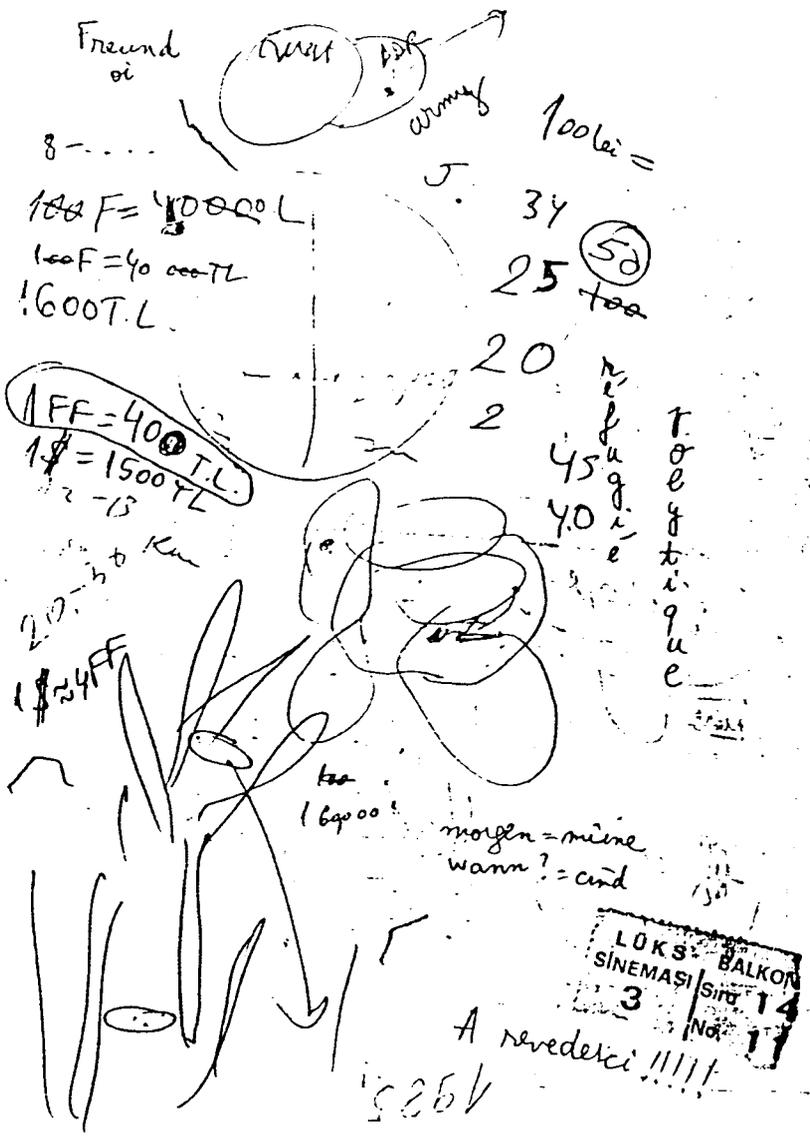


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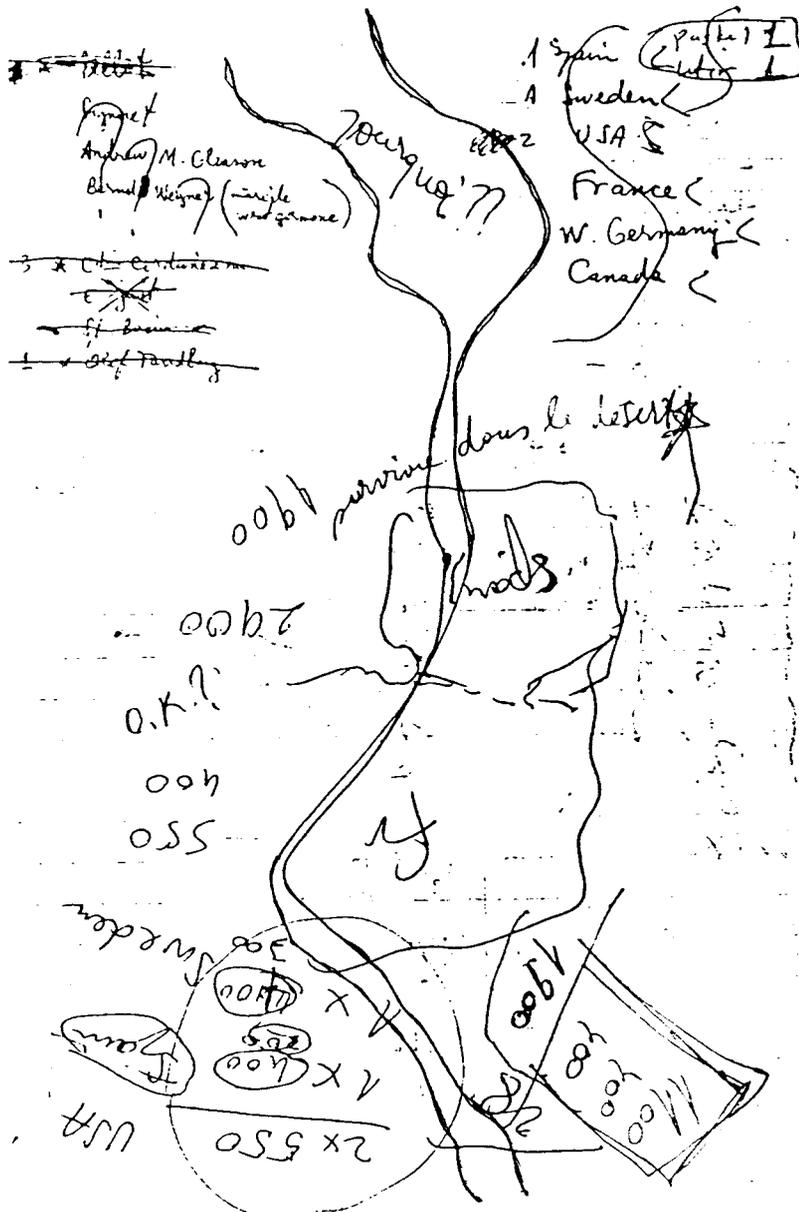


Connexions

## Poem-Drafts



Thinking Spider



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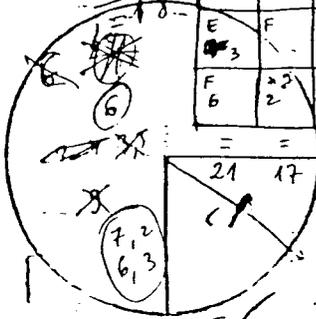
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### Digit Dictatorship

You are beautiful

Kochan cię

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Maika:

roots must be equal, with value  $z$ , say, where  $z$  is  $\sqrt{2}$  KOCHAN CIĘ

I Love You Maika

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1 man → 4 wife

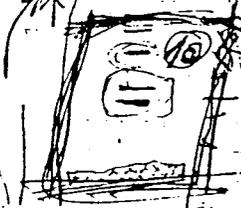
1 wife → 4

and the equation is  $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$

~~Moon walk~~

~~Ami Vega~~

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Je ne t'aime pas

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Idea Anarchy

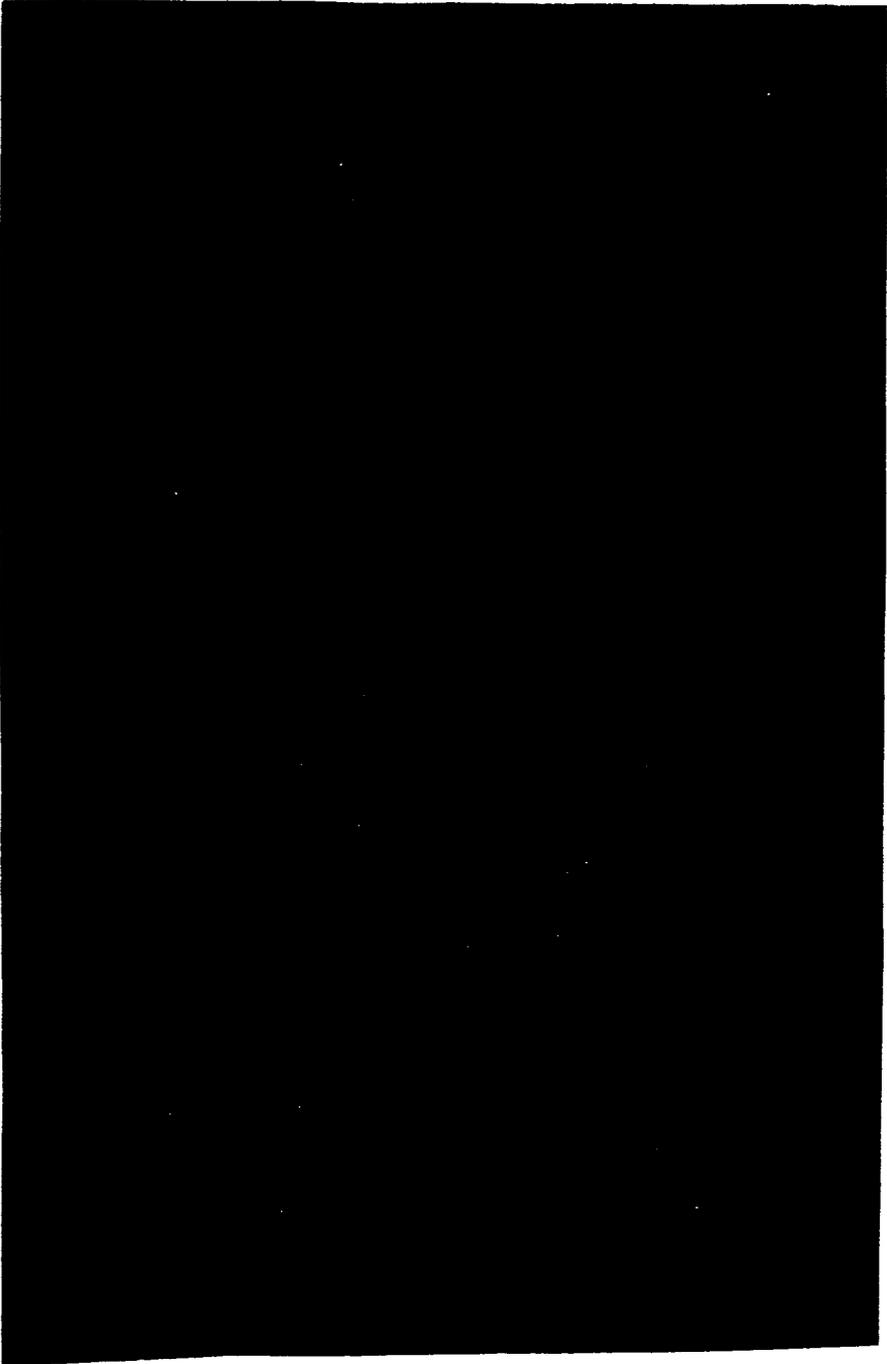
Self-Portret Poem



Twenty one Poems-Without-Verse

## Blank Verse

Black Verse



## Haiku Poem

## **Reductio ad Absurdum**

# Tabula Rasa

## Null and Void Hymn

## Introspection

# Meditation

(the reader can imagine anything)

## Transcendental Sense

# Universality

## **Absolute**

# Perfection

# Eternity

# Infinity

## Spirit

( Translated from Sanskrit  
to English by the author )

# Time

( Translated from Tocharian  
to English by the author )

# Space

( Translated from Celtic  
to English by the author )

# Abyss

( Translated from English  
to English by the author )

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## **Seven Poems-Without-Poems**















**American Manifesto : THE PARADOXIST MOVEMENT**

UPSET-POEMS

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DIALOGUE OF DEAF PERSONS \_\_\_\_\_ 5

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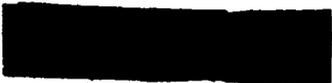
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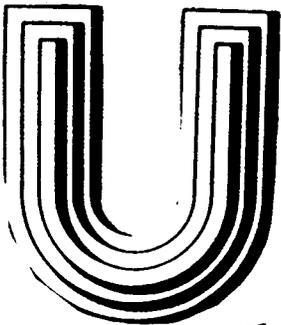
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