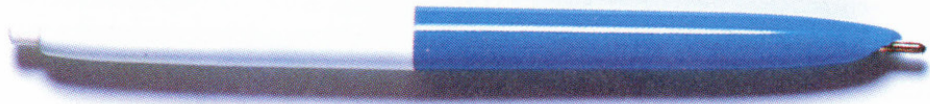
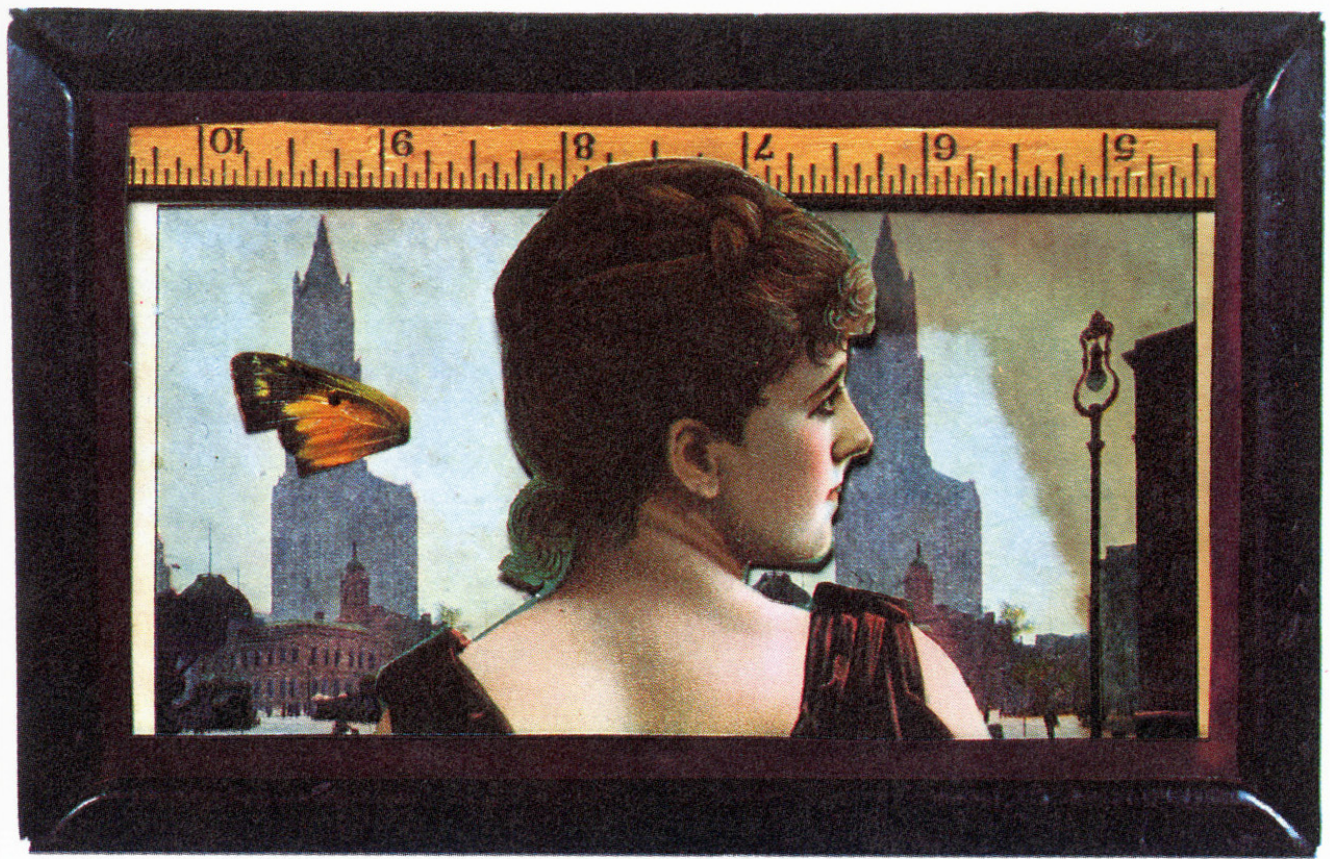


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Only when you begin
to read this does it
begin to find joy in
being lost.



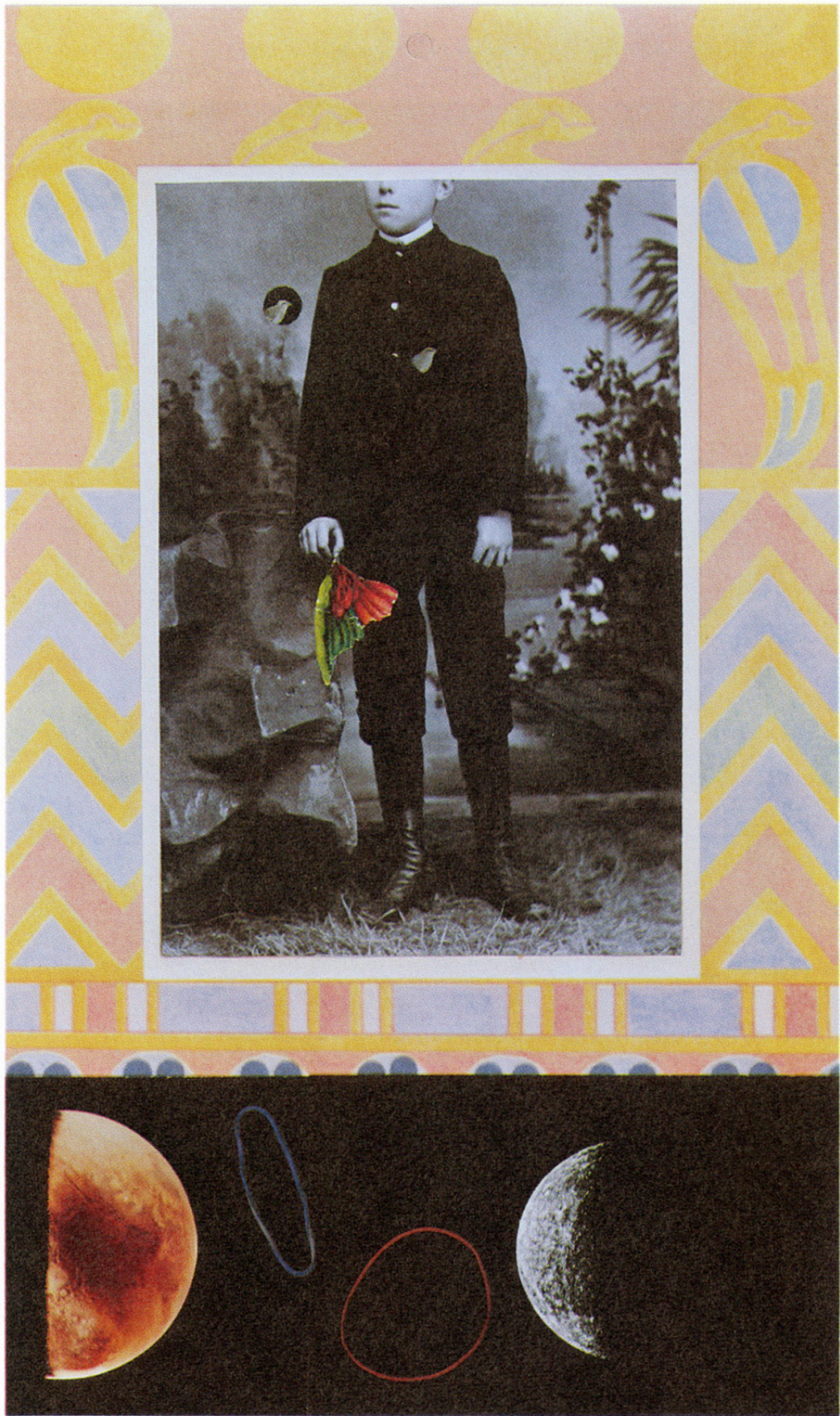
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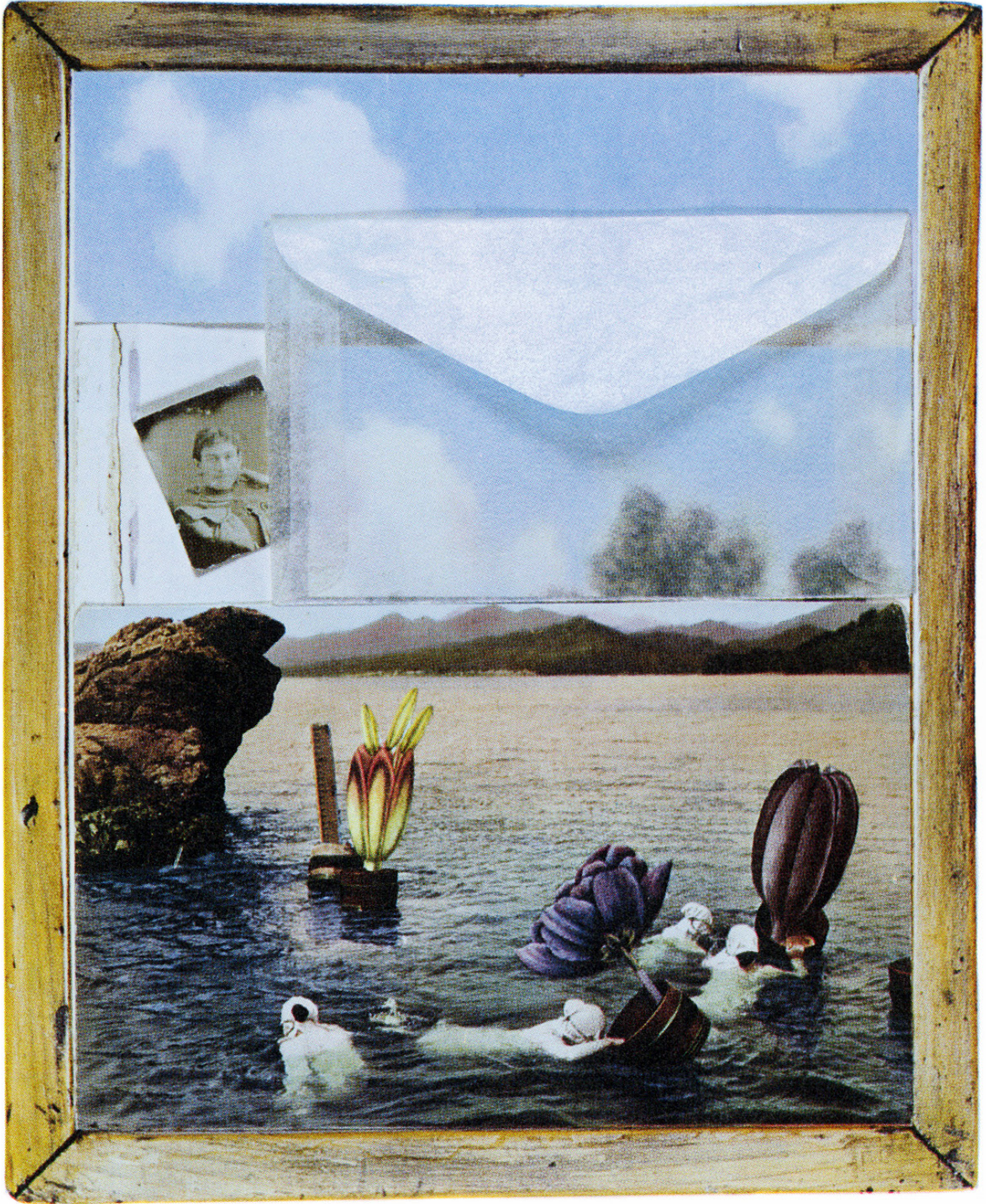


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Lost like sitting in
a window.




Lost like the distance
you dream.



Lost like stars are.

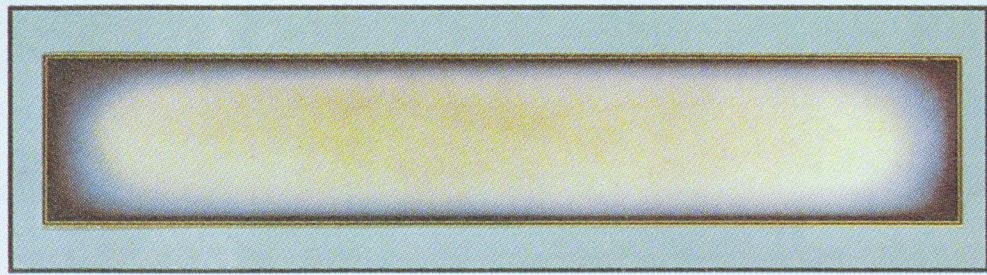




And when what exists returns
to possibility...



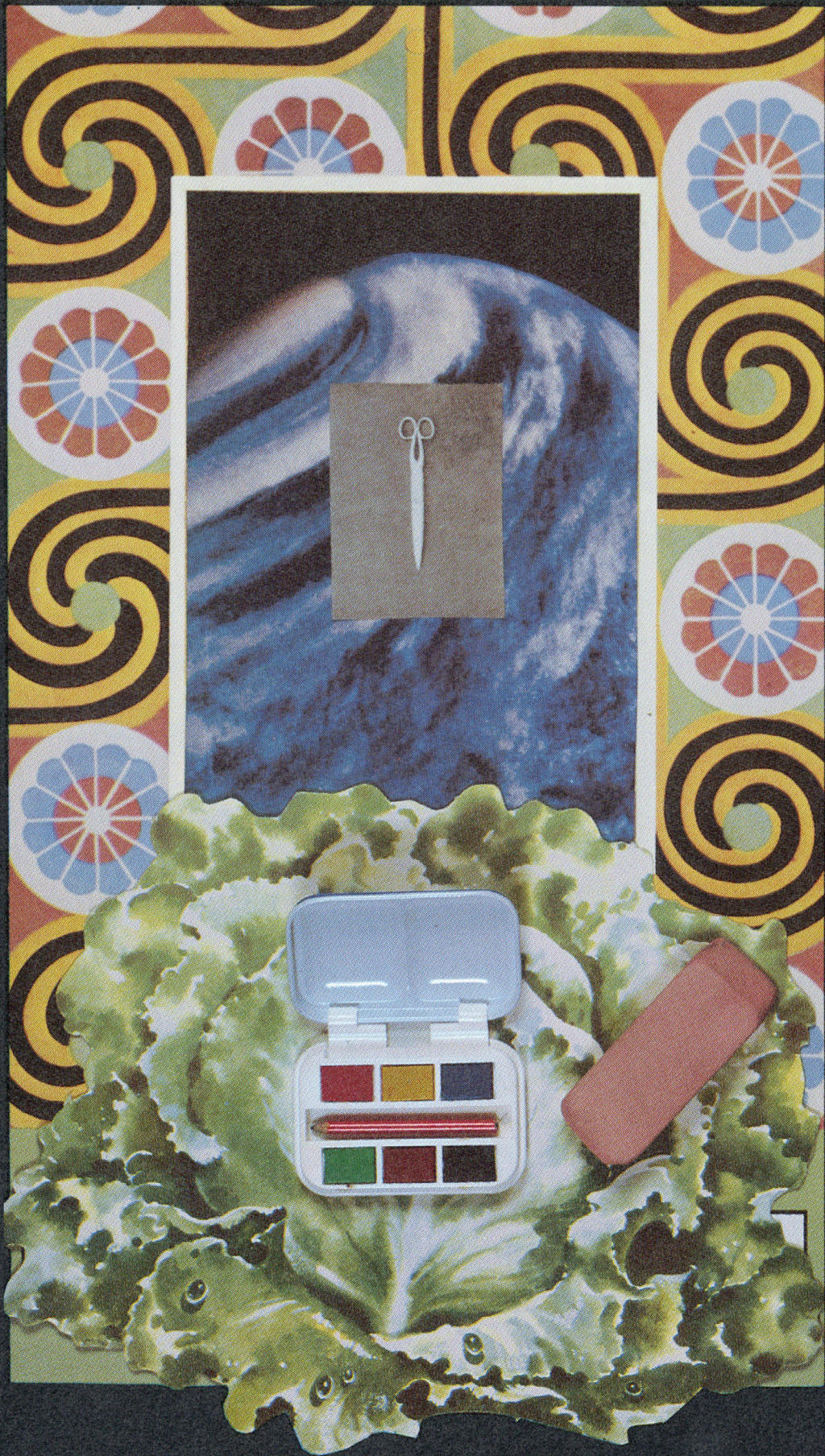
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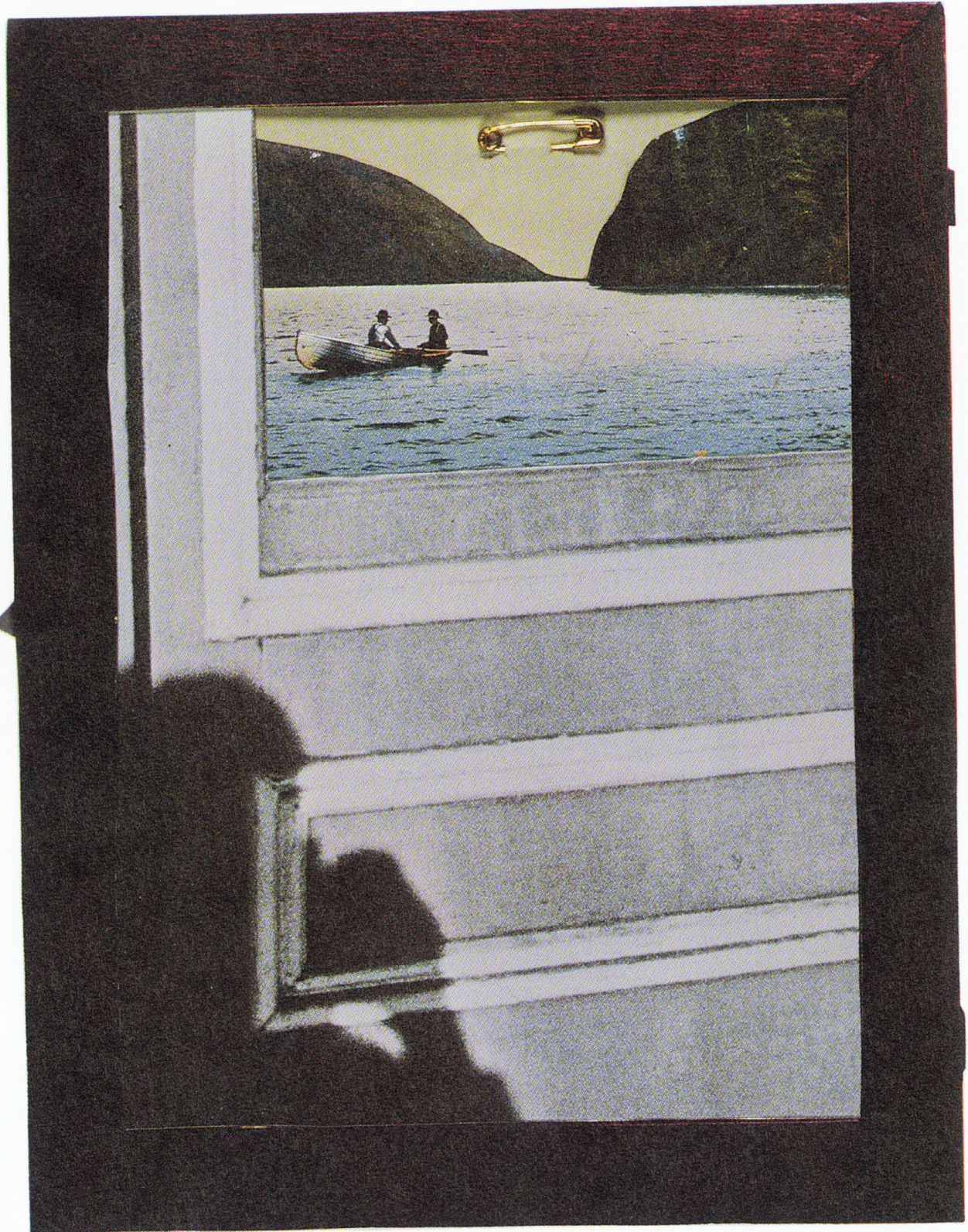
suddenly you know why it moves,
why with your fingerprints you
feel it so well: it is yours to
keep whole.



And where are you the hands of
a mirror?



Where absence remembers.



And how long have you been
the language of a story
that could be true?



99	98	97	96						87	
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Look now and erase
with your new hand
the proof and think
again and say, "now—
any star, any gauze."



For wherever you are you hear an honest request. By listening you know you are born. By reflecting it back and adding it to itself you live as a friend of zero.



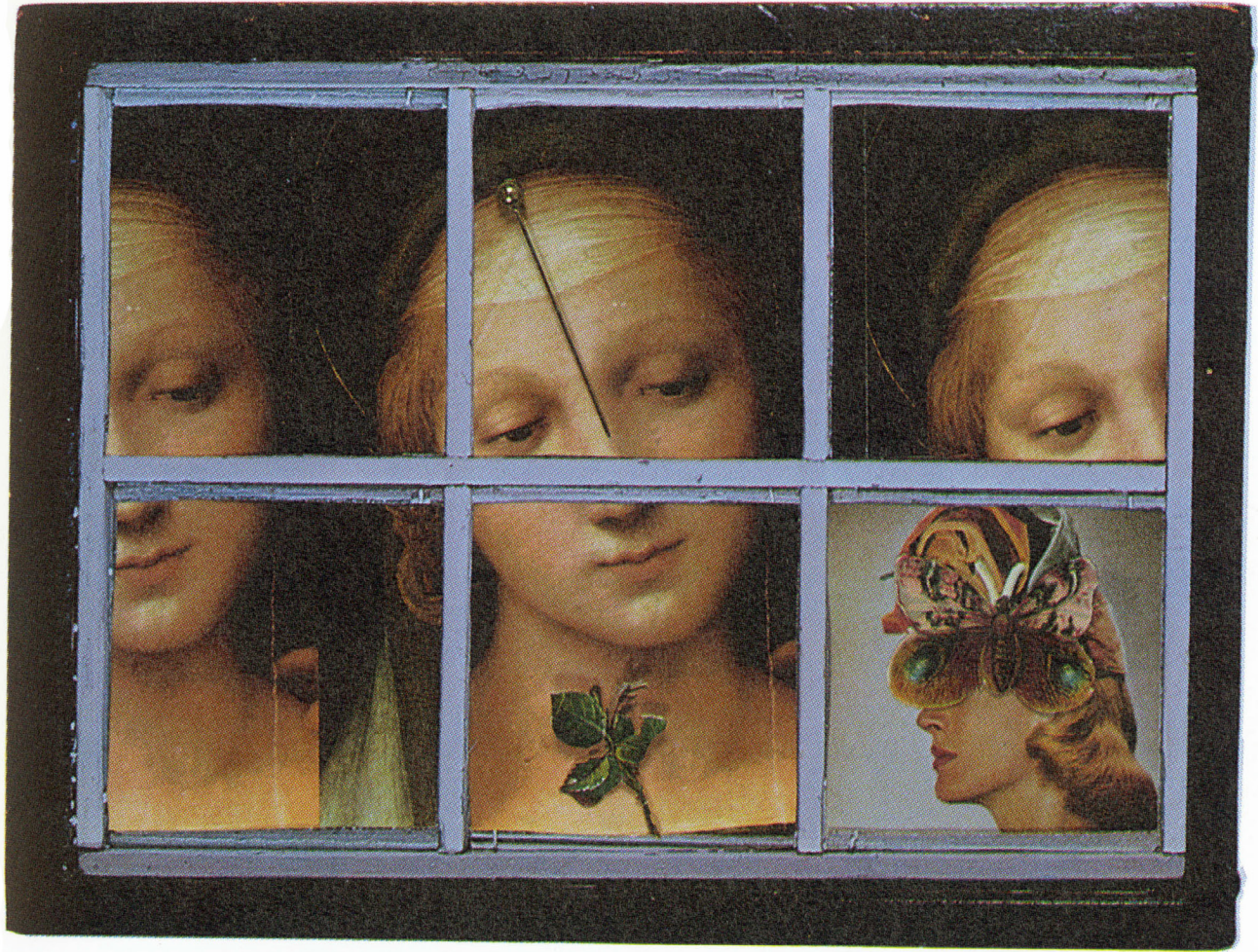
And then you see why everything
is needed.



Quietly needed as you tell
yourself something you want
to pass on to others. Others.

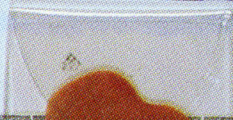


Even the invisible still vanishes.





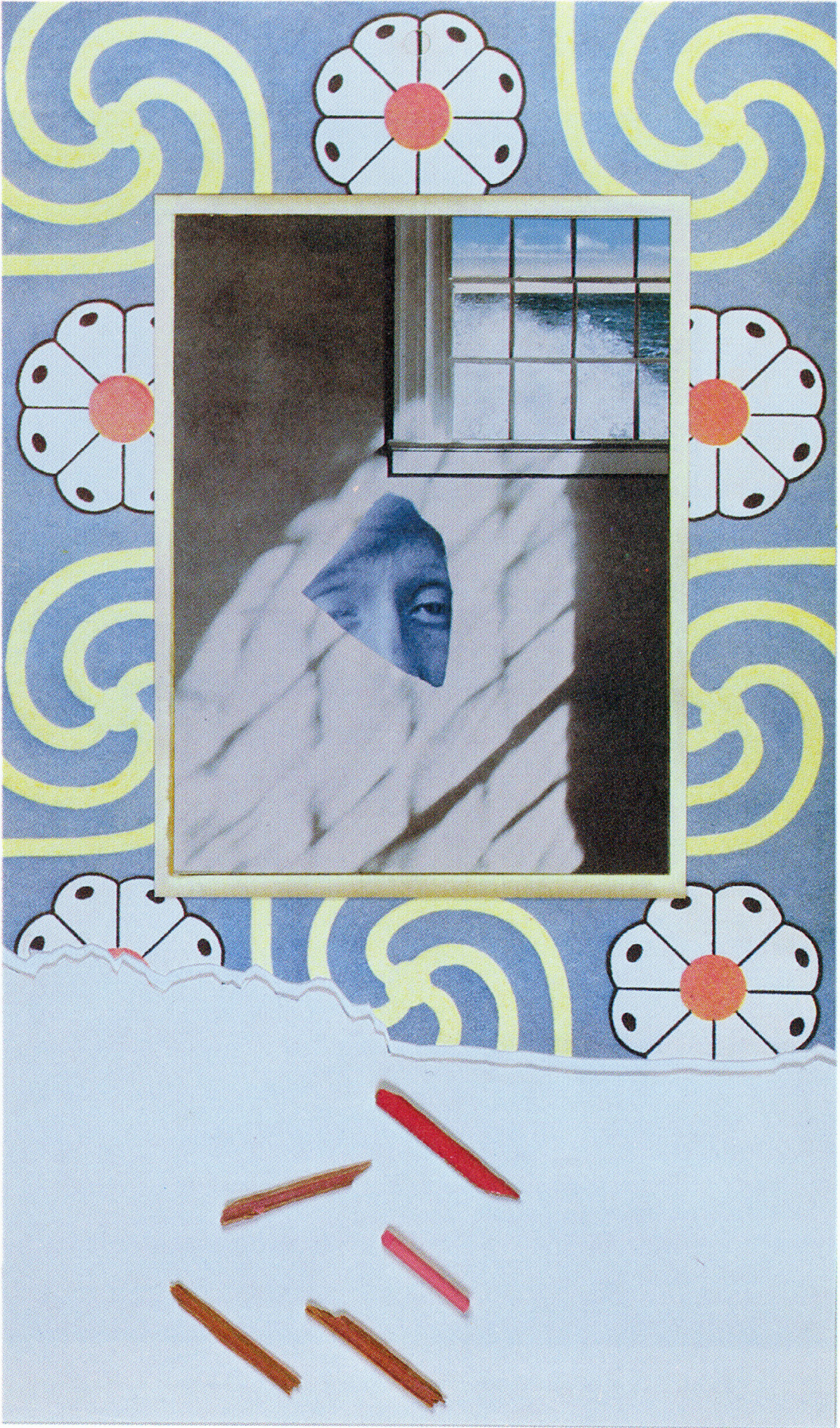
Now your wings beat fast,
the ones attached with
paste and bandages...and
you want to help.



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1	0	8	1	0	2	9	0	8	9	1	0	9	0				
3	0	9	8	9	0	0	6	1	0	6	1	9	9	7			
2	6	5	0	9	5	8	0	9	2	2	6	2	5	9			
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You comfort yourself
telling yourself how
you love the darkness
shaped as you let go.

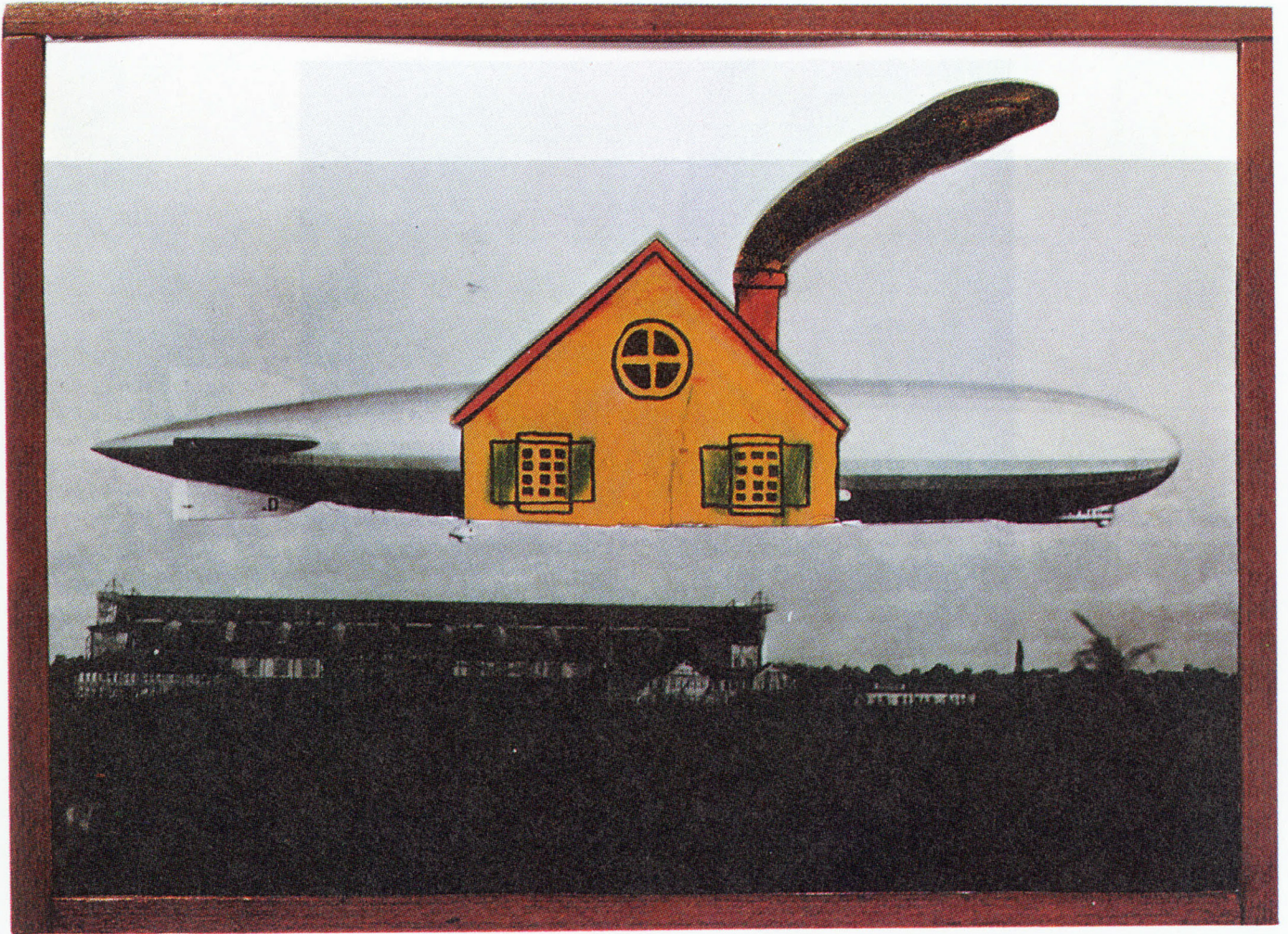
And you are not alone in
making the unknown exact.



We too may dream.



Forgetting names...



reading lips.

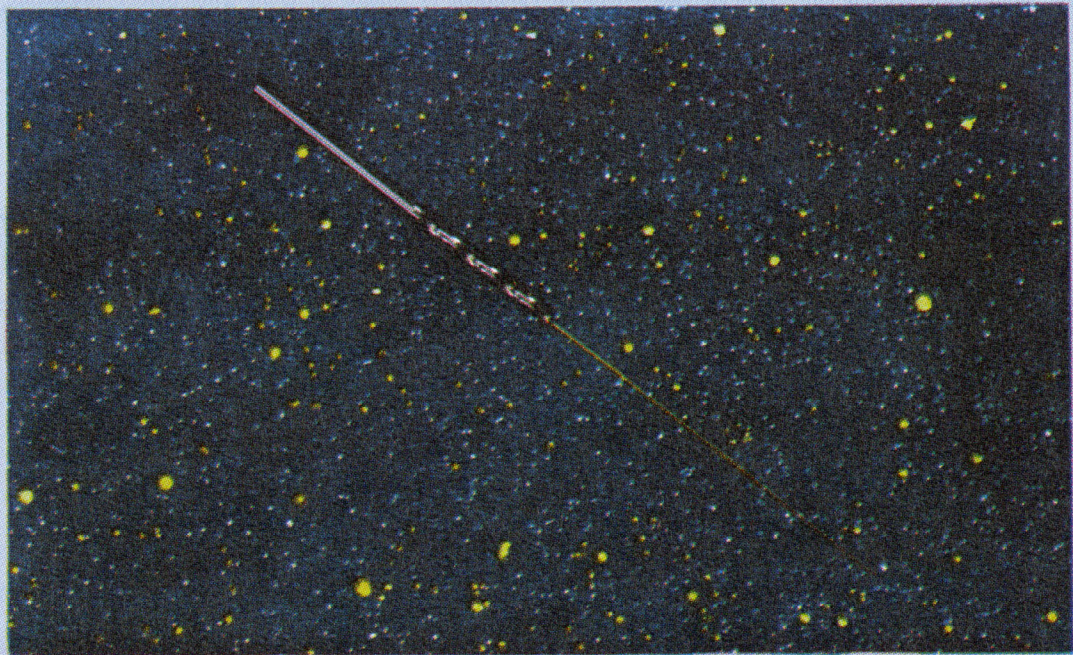
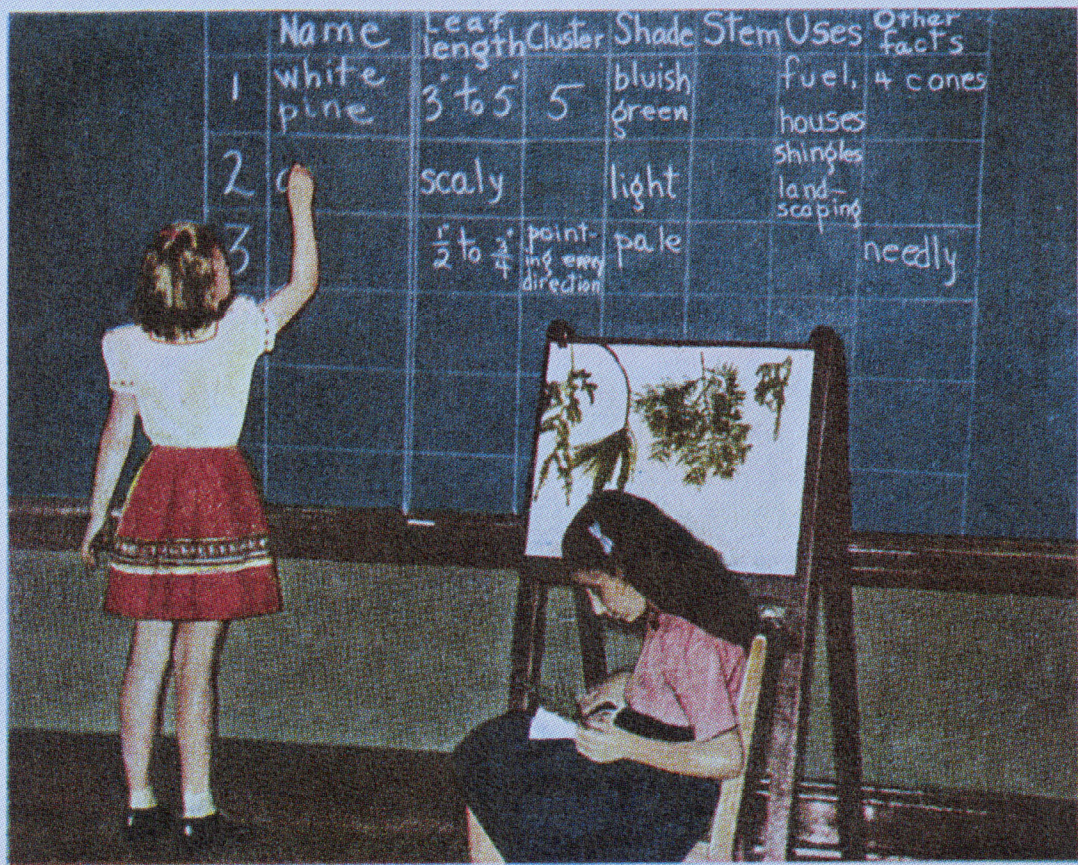


Shhhh.....

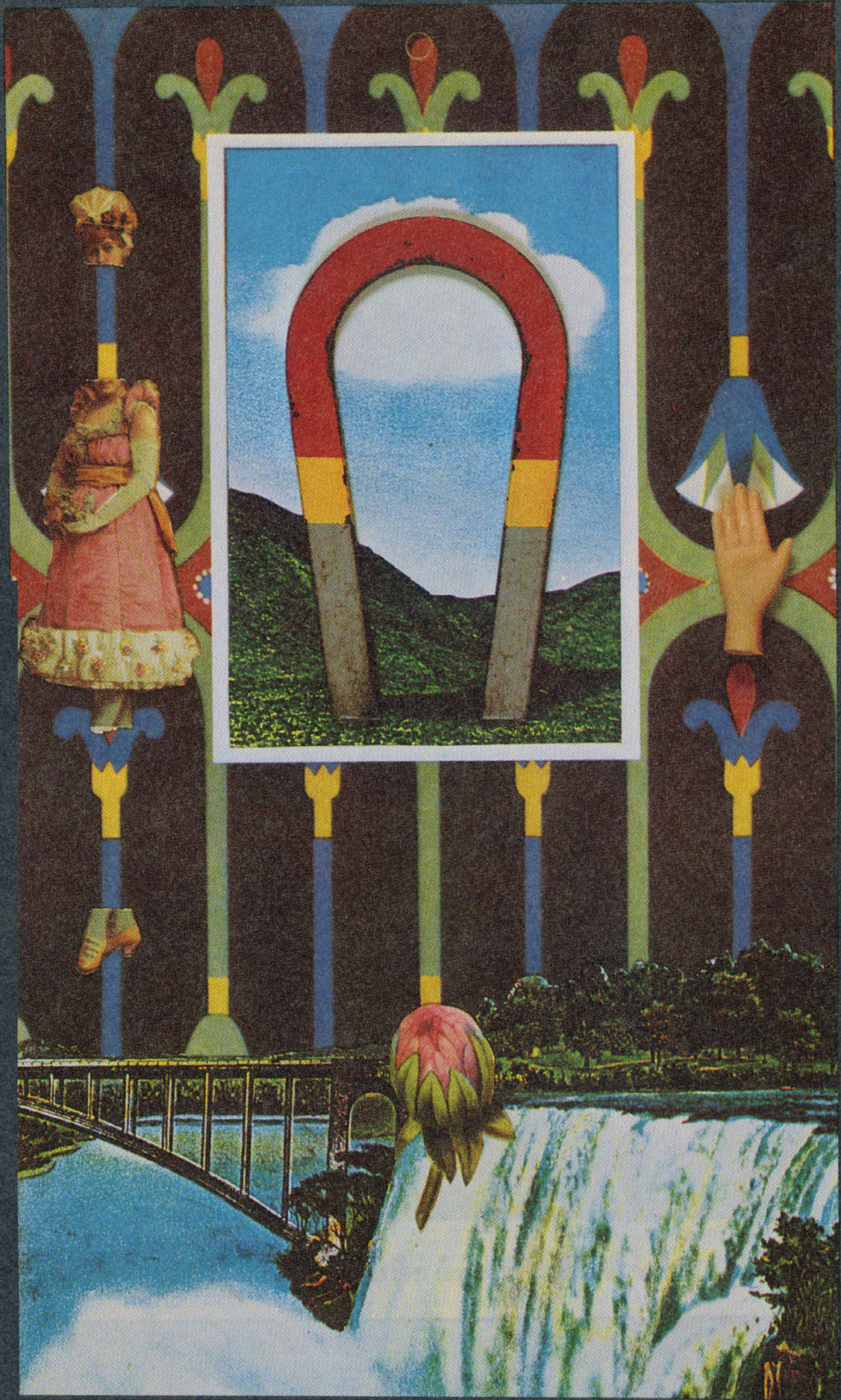


Seattle 1, Washington

Soon we will be lost...



to the next second
and making answers
obsolete.



thank you...

W.S. Merwin

Antonio Porchia

Richey Kehl

Joseph Cornell

Debora Greger

Susan Skilling

William Stafford

Henri Matisse

Sandra Darling

Harold Darling

...and the little

Wales school girl.







