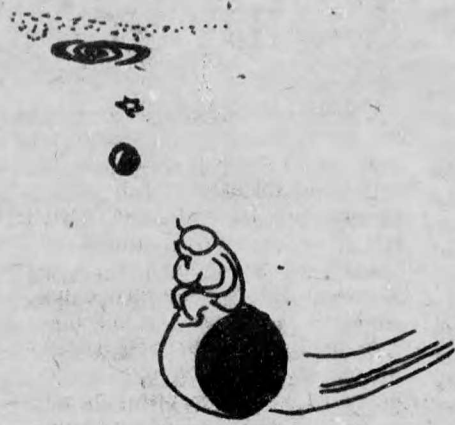


A PSYCHOLOGICAL TIP

Whenever you're called on to make up your mind, and you're hampered by not having any, the best way to solve the dilemma, you'll find, is simply by spinning a penny.

No — not so that chance shall decide the affair while you're passively standing there moping; but the moment the penny is up in the air, you suddenly know what you're hoping.



I'D LIKE —

I'd like to know what this whole show is all about before it's out.

LOSING FACE

The noble art of losing face may one day save the human race and turn into eternal merit what weaker minds would call disgrace



CONSOLATION GROOK

Losing one glove is certainly painful, but nothing compared to the pain of losing one, throwing away the other, and finding the first one again.

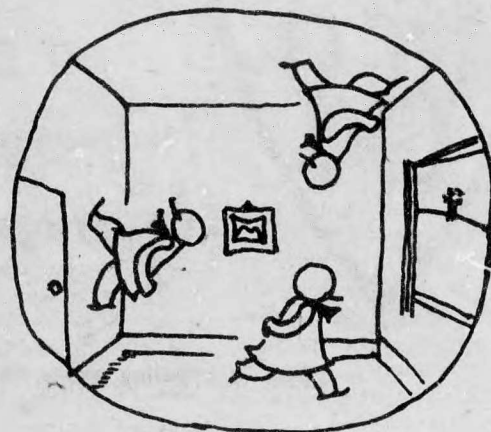
THAT IS THE QUESTION [Hamlet Anno Domini.]

Co-existence or no existence.

OMNISCIENCE

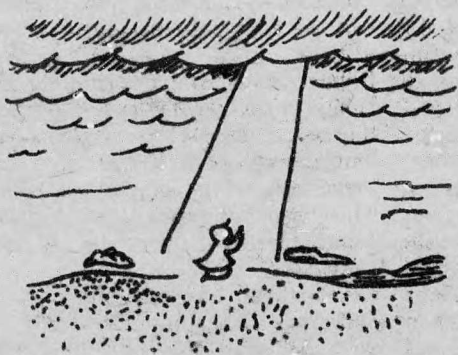
Knowing what thou knowest not is in a sense omniscience.

poems by PIET HEIN from his book GROOKS 1



GROOK ON LONG-WINDED AUTHORS

Long-winded writers I abhor, and glib, prolific chatters; give me the ones who tear and gnaw their hair and pens to tatters: who find their writing such a chore they only write what matters.

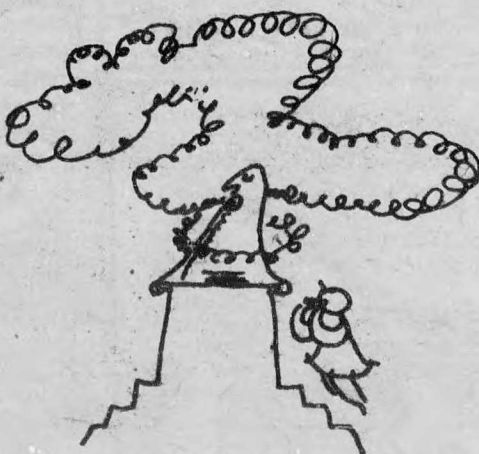


PRAYER [to the sun above the clouds.]

Sun that givest all things birth, shine on everything on earth!

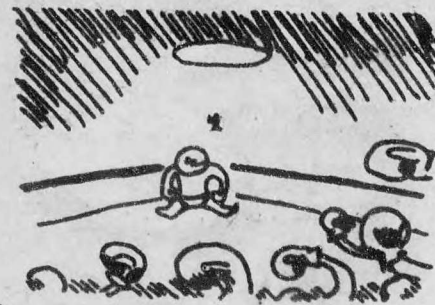
If that's too much to demand, shine at least on this our land.

If even that's too much for thee, shine at any rate on me.



THE CASE FOR OBSCURITY On Thoughts and Words I.

If no thought your mind does visit, make your speech not too explicit.



PROBLEMS

Problems worthy of attack prove their worth by hitting back.