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Once again there has been a delay in getting an issue of WONDER into your hands, and, once again it is "owing to circumstances beyond our control" Still, better late than never! Here is the Shaver Mystery issue we have been promising you, and we think you will find the articles in this issue give plenty of food for thought-and comment!

By the way, WONDER is not either "for" or "agin" the Shaver Mystery we welcome articles disproving Shaver's claims PROVIDING those articles are based on facts. So far, all the "anti-Shaver" articles we have read are made up of the writers' personal opinions of Shaver, his claims, and his stories. Any dope can write an article saying he thinks Shaver is crazy and he doesn't like his stories, but that is not proving him wrong!

Ralph M. Holland is a member of the Fortean Society and edits an independent Fortean magazine "VOICE FROM THE GALLERY" Ralph's article gives the complete outline of the Shaver Mystery, something which is long overdue.

This issue is entirely non-fiction. This doesn't mean that we not be running any more fiction. We have plenty of good manuscript on file, but we plan to produce more articles, and cut down on fiction to some extent. We have magazine length stories coming to balance these, you will be getting more non-fiction issues as this. A new article on the "Flying Saucer Mystery" will appear either in the next issue or the following one. Until then.....MT

SUBTERRANEAN SHAFTS

by RON T. DEACON

Throughout the world there are mysterious shafts, caves and tunnels which could not have occurred naturally, but must have been built and inhabited by unknown beings who have vanished into the mists of time.

In a remote part of Tibet, Theodor Illion, playwright and world traveller found a mysterious shaft and an underground city devoted to evil which he describes in his book "DARKNESS OVER TIBET" (Rider & Co. London).

He received a letter of introduction and directions from a Tibetan occultist and was allowed to enter the city. It consists of seven underground buildings which drop at least 14 storeys below the surface, and are built around an apparently bottomless shaft which is surrounded by a thick wall. The several hundred inhabitants are under the rule of a Prince Mani Rimpotche who has absolute power over them. No one is allowed to leave the city without permission.

The city is apparently the headquarters of a widespread secret organisation with agents throughout the world. Illion discovered the concealed evil nature of this city which poses as good; he refused to become an agent and escaped after a long, uncanny pursuit.

Since 1750, Shipping masters in the Indian Ocean have been reporting huge wheeled constructions, slowly revolving, and either entering or leaving the sea. Details of a number of these reports will be found in the "BOOKS OF CHARLES FOE". A check of records reveals that a large proportion of these reports, limited as they are to the Indian Ocean area, have been off the western coast of India. Beneath the sea in this region it is believed that the remnants of the legendary continent of Mu exist.

Near Acapulco, Mexico, is a sheer rocky cliff

in the face of which is an artificial tunnel, which is regarded with superstitious dread by the natives. It was obviously made by some prehistoric race; it has never been fully explored and appears to go into the earth for an enormous distance.

The walls are very smooth and are decorated with inscriptions which have never been translated. It has been known to the Indians for years, but they avoid it and tell stories of strange lights which are seen near its mouth.

In Oklahoma U.S.A. is a stretch of lonely country road known as the Devil's promenade. Anyone on a clear night can observe mysterious lights there, and in spite of many investigations, no explanation has been produced to account for them.

These are just a few of the many unexplainable things that are going on in our world today. We can't explain them, but obviously there is an explanation for them. Someday, someone will come up with the answers. Until then, those of us who are interested can try to figure out the answers for ourselves.

NOTES ON THE SHAVER MYSTERY -1

By Peter L. Russell

The purpose of this and future articles is to bring to light evidence from sources which are entirely independent of Shaver, but which seem to back his claims and theories. In this article I am going to deal with Shaver's claim that the human race is being attacked, tormented, and sometimes killed by "Rays" from the caverns.

If Shaver alone claimed this and there was no evidence for it anywhere, we could dismiss his claims as pure fantasy. There is, however, plenty of evidence, not only that we, the human race, are being attacked, but also that some of the types of ray machines mentioned by Shaver could be built by scientists AT THE PRESENT TIME! I will

deal with the latter statement in a later article. For evidence of attacks on the human race, we need not look any further than THE BOOKS OF CHARLES FORT.

In July 1894 there was a panic in a large vineyard near Fresno, Calif. Somebody dropped dead of "heart failure" - Somebody else dropped dead - A third victim dropped and was dying. The rest of the people believed that something uncanny was occurring and fled!

During 1893, nineteen soldiers marching near Bourges, France were struck by an "unknown force". Some of the men were killed, others were struck insensible. At the inquest it was stated that there was no sign of a thunder storm and nothing had been heard.

The BOOKS OF CHARLES FORT are full of accounts of mysterious deaths by burning. Bodies have been discovered burnt to a cinder but surroundings have been untouched, sometimes even the bedclothes have been untouched when a body has been found burnt in bed. This happened in the case of Elizabeth Clark, who was found covered with burns the bed being unscorched, and no fire or light in the room. This from the Hull Daily Mail Jan 6 1904. Read all the other cases up in THE BOOKS and in case you are feeling snug in that the incidents quoted happened many years ago, let us just mention a recent one. A Manchester woman, Mrs E.K. Coutres was burnt to death on 14th Dec. 1949. Her clothing still smoldered when she was found but there was no sign of fire in the house not even in the stove. (Report from DOUBT, The Fortean Society Magazine)

Now we come upon something which is ideal for this article. An incident in which there was mystery and which couldn't be explained away as "heart failure" for the simple reason that some one lived through it - Lived to talk.

Sept. 1903, in a coal mine, near COALBRIDGE, Scotland, miners came upon the bodies of three men. There was no coal gas. There was no sign of violence of any kind. Two of these men were

dead, but one of them revived. He told that his name was Robert Bell and that with his two cousins he had been walking in the mine, when he felt what he described as a "SHOCK". No disturbance had been felt by anyone else in the mine, and there was NO electric wiring in that part of the mine!

There WAS a deadly discharge of unknown force which killed two men.

Here's another very interesting incident- in which the victims lived to tell about it:-

This report taken from THE BOOKS, appeared in the NEW YORK HERALD Jan 23 1900. John Harding was crossing Fifth Avenue at Thirty-Third St. when he felt a STINGING SENSATION upon his chest. There was no sign of a missile of any kind. Then he saw near by a man who was rubbing his arm, looking around angrily. The other man told Harding that something unseen had struck him. Charles Fort says that if the force had been intense enough to kill the "explanation" upon finding the bodies would have been that they died of "heart failure". I don't need to add a thing to that statement!

Many persons have died by "unknown" means and some have lived to describe what happened to them. Charles Fort thought that the human race was being attacked by unknown beings or forces.

On July 24, 1924 F/Lieutenant W.T. Day and Pilot Officer D.R. Stewart were flying over a desert in Mesopotamia. They should not have been absent more than a few hours but they did not return. Searchers found the plane in the desert. Why it landed was a mystery. There was fuel in the tank and there was nothing wrong with the plane. It was, in fact, flown back to base! But the men were missing. In the sand, around the plane, were the footprints of the missing men. They were traced side by side for some 40 yards from the machine THEN THE FOOTPRINTS CAME TO A DEAD STOP!

Nowhere beyond that point were any other tracks whatsoever found although the search was carried on for days by planes, armoured cars, Mounted police and Tribal Patrols. Charles Fort comments "There may be some way, at present very exclusively known, of picking an aeroplane out of the sky..." and he continues "...there may be some such way of picking men out of a desert!"

THE SHAVER MYSTERY

By RALPH. M. HOLLAND

FOREWORD

Late in 1944, Richard S. Shaver wrote what later became known as the "Shaver Alphabet"; a list of the meanings of sounds used in speaking. This, he said, was "Mantong" The language of the ancient "Elder Races" who inhabited this planet long before the present human race appeared, and the basis of all spoken languages in the world today. By its use the correct meaning of many words could be found. It applied to any language but the more ancient the tongue, the better it would respond to analysis by Mantong.

Raymond A. Palmer, who was then editor of AMAZING STORIES became enthused about the "Alphabet" and published it. The reader response was quick and voluminous. Some challenged his claim that he had secured the information from the telepathic 'thought record' tapes of this ancient people. Others verified the fact that Mantong did correctly interpret almost any word in any language, and demanded more details of the 'Elder Races'. The result was a series of stories which both Shaver and Palmer claimed were either based on some actual fact or were typical descriptions, which were written up in fictionalized style. The subject was too unbelievable to be presented in any other manner they said.

The readers became sharply divided into two warring camps. On one side were the supporters of Shaver and Palmer. On the other were the pseudo-scientists and the members of many cults, 'ists' and 'isms' to all of whom Shaver's claims were the rankest heresy. The owners finally gave way to the latte groups. The 'Shaver Mystery' was banned from all of the Ziff-Davis chain of magazines and, a short time later, editor Palmer left to manage his own chain.

Plans were made by both Shaver and Palmer to handle the Shaver Mystery on a factual basis

for the benefit of those who were trying seriously to evaluate it. Shaver announced his intention of publishing a series of non-fiction books.

Palmer made plans to handle it on a non-fiction basis in FATE magazine. The plans of both were brought to naught by a series of misfortunes so strange that many of Shaver's followers are convinced that some sinister unseen influence does not intend to let the facts be made public.

Shaver himself is, of course, the logical person to sift the fact from the fiction in his stories. However, he is clearly unable to do so at the present time. Therefore, I am attempting to do the job temporarily in order to answer numerous inquiries from my friends. The material has been taken from Shaver's stories, and from other articles and material to which he has given at least tacit approval by publishing it in the Shaver Mystery Magazine. In so far as I was able, I attempted to omit any expression of personal opinion, and confine myself strictly to the task of reporting. The following does not, therefore, necessarily represent my own personal opinion or belief in all details. R.M.H.

Many ages ago when our solar system was young - long before any of the present human races had appeared - its planets were colonized by the space travelling 'Elder Races'. There seems to have been at least three different groups of these people, but all allied to some degree. Their sciences were far above ours of even today. By means of medical rays they had conquered disease and were able to extend their lives to unbelievable spans - thousands of years. Since it is an inescapable law of nature that nothing can remain stationary, but must either grow or decay, their great age was also accompanied by great size which continued to increase as long as they lived.

Synthetic foods, clothing, and all other desired articles were made by fully automatic machinery ('mech') This robot mech was so well made that it required very little, if any, attention and

was practically indestructable. A sort of super television could pick up three dimensional images and sound from any place, in natural colour, and despite many miles of intervening rock. A reversed variety of this mech, the 'teleslidograph' could project sound and images to any point.

For defense purposes, these ancients had several weapons. "Stun Rays" would temporarily paralyze persons without doing any permanent harm. Other rays could act upon the brain and circulatory system to cause the death of persons at great distances by inducing a 'stroke' or 'heart attack'. "Blast Rays" would cause explosions at distant points, while 'dis guns' and 'dis cannon' would destroy persons or objects by disintegrating them into pure energy.

In addition to their many medical and healing rays, they also used "stim rays", which could play upon the emotions, thus accomplishing by direct means what we seek to do with music, literature and plays. Perhaps the most important of their rays was "telug", which picked up, amplified and transmitted telepathic thought radiations.

This was originally used as a means of communication between persons and could be recorded on tapes for later "scanning". It is from these tapes that Shaver claims to have secured most of his information about these people. Telug could read the thoughts of a person at a distant point, or implant the thoughts of the sender into another's brain without his knowledge, altho the ancients apparently considered this unethical, and had strict rules against it. In the latter days of the Elders, however, after they had become degenerated, corrupt rulers used a variety of telug as "control ray" to control the thinking of the people and thus keep themselves in power.

The various mech was powered in different ways. Some of it cut the magnetic lines of force of the earth to secure power. Other varieties tapped into the cosmic flows of energy which permeate all space. Some types of wheeled vehicles were

gravity powered. "Gravity", according to Shaver, is not a mass-attraction, as we have been taught, but the flow of energy which the ancients called "exd". This flow could penetrate and pass through any object, but the denser the object, the greater the resistance to its flow, and the greater the "weight". This flow could be diverted so that one side of a wheel would have zero "gravity" and the other side double "gravity", thus causing rotary motion.

The Elders apparently spent very little, if any time on the surface. It may have been that the surface was unsuitable for habitation at that time. There is also mention of certain radioactive rays in the solar radiations, to which they seem to have been particularly sensitive, and which could be successfully filtered out only by considerable thickness of earth. Others have deduced that persons of such gigantic size may have had trouble existing under surface gravity, and wished to go down to a point where its influence would be decreased. Whatever the reason, they began to burrow into the ground, disintegrating the rock with rays, and then packing the energy into the walls and roof where it rematerialized, making a substance harder and denser than anything which we know today. Huge caverns were carved out many miles below the surface of the earth, far below the unstable surface rock strata. In these they built their cities, connecting them with tunnels which ran under the seas as well as under the land. Eventually, the surface area of this "underworld" was much larger than the surface world, and it included a great many different levels. After the first ancestors of the present human races had appeared, each of the huge underground cities had its surface "colony city" which was reached by elevators. Apparently, no mech was permitted on the surface, all necessary services being taken care of by the under-city mech.

According to some thought record tapes, the present human races were bred in the biological

research laboratories of the Elders. They were constantly seeking to develop a better physical body...one which would be more resistant to the detrimental effects of the radioactivity in the solar radiations, and better adapted to the other characteristics of this planet. With the discovery of rays which would cause dissimilar genes to unite, innumerable cross breeds were developed experimentally. The many monsters of fable... The centaurs, the fauns, and others...are said to have actually existed. Like most hybrids, these were sterile, and thus incapable of reproducing themselves, so were allowed to die out. The only two successful crosses were the "Adams" and the "Pythons". The "Adams", ancestors of all the present races of man on this planet, were a cross between some man-like beast and the Elders. The "Pythons" were a cross with some reptile life form, probably a two-footed erectile animal rather than a snake, as we use the term today. This was considered a particularly desirable cross because reptiles are almost totally immune to radioactive poisons, and have exceptionally long life-spans.

Little is known about the "Pythons", except that there seems to have been bitter strife between them and the "Adams" from earliest times. This is indicated by the many legends which consider the serpent to be the source of all evil. Actually their morals and ethics were as high as those of the "Adams", according to the tapes, but their thinking processes and customs were alien even to the Elders who sired them. It is said that "serpent peoples" still exist on other planets, but they disappeared from Terra at an early date, either as a result of mass migration or a bitter campaign of extermination.

The science of the Elders was so far beyond the understanding of these early ancestors of man that they were regarded as supernatural beings. They are the "Gods" of classical mythology, and the prophets of our own Bible. The earliest parts of the Bible are, in fact, regarded as distorted accounts of the Elders, the ancestors of present man

not being far enough advanced at that time to be worth writing about. The Biblical account of the creation of "Adam" is regarded as a symbolic account of their actual creation by the Elders; the "lump of clay" mentioned in some of the accounts symbolizing the base brute from which man was made. The Elder Race is mentioned in many places in the Bible, beginning with the passage in Genesis: "There were giants IN the earth in those days."

These early humans were apparently quick to pick up knowledge from the Elders, who feared that they might also learn the secret of indefinitely prolonging their life. They did not want them to know this at that time because they considered the humans to be in a low state of development, and did not wish to "fix the type" at that stage. The name "Adam" when analyzed by Mantong, reveals their opinion of the early humans: "A de animal-man"... "de" in Mantong having the meaning of defectiveness. So the humans were sent up to the surface, away from the mech. "Behold: the man is now become as one of us...now lest he take also of the tree of life...and live forever...the Lord God sent him forth from the Garden of Eden."

The Elder Race finally began to die at much earlier ages than formerly and a particularly vicious form of insanity, marked by sadistic orgies, began to appear. Their scientists determined that both of these were being caused by increased radioactivity in the solar rays, which penetrated even to the great depths of their cities. A more benevolent sun was discovered in far space, and the "gods" left for their new home on a distant planet which they called "Heav'n"

The great mech was not destroyed, but was sealed against discovery. Some of the "gods" wanted to make their secrets available to the humans before they left, but they were opposed by the others. After a bitter struggle, of which "Prometheus" is the surface symbolism, those who wanted to share their secrets with the surface humans were defeated. A few of the "gods" did stay behind to help guide the development of their wards for a while, however:

and they are said to have visited them at various times since as "messengers".

Also left behind, due to lack of space to take all of them, were many of the lesser members of the Elder Races, as well as a few "gods" whose insanity had reached such a stage that the others would not associate with them. Certain of the less important mech was left unhidden for the benefit of these abandoned "ros".

Freed from the restraining influence of the saner members, the evil activities of the "de-viles" and "de-men" became unlimited. They kept their scanning rays almost continually on surface scenes, thus admitting the deadly solar radioactivity to the caverns in ever increasing amounts and adding to the degree of their insanity. With their various rays, they began to interfere more and more in the affairs of the surface men, taking great pleasure in the pain and suffering which they could cause.

They began to engage in even worse sadistic orgies, in which the poor victims (usually surface people lured into the caverns by some ruse) were subjected to every torture which their mad minds could devise while being kept alive by use of the medical mech in order to prolong their suffering. Tales of these orgies, filtering back to the surface, are the basis of the present ideas of "Hell" and the underworld became a place of evil in the minds of surface dwellers.

Although the main entrances were either sealed or destroyed, small groups of surface peoples also began to find their way into the caverns through secondary entrances. They roamed the almost deserted underworld in nomadic fashion, discovered some of the hidden mech, and learned to use it by trial and error.

At this point the tale of the caverns begins to get confused. The record tapes vary greatly, and there is no way to tell which are true and which are false. There are long gaps during which no records at all can be found.

At the present time, most of the vast underworld still exists, and is thinly populated by the

descendants of its original inhabitants, plus former surface dwellers who have found their way into it from time to time. The descendants of the original "de-viles" and "de-men" still live in reduced numbers. They are termed "Dero" by Shaver, but are usually known to the other cavern dwellers merely as the "mad ones".

The deros do not seem to have any formal organization, not much, if any contact between groups. They wander through vast expanses of the caverns in loosely organized groups, stopping for indefinite lengths of time at any spot where they find conditions to their liking. They will usually tolerate others of their own kind, but will kill and eat any stranger on sight.

The close inbreeding and other unfavourable factors of their environment have resulted in a hereditarily insane group, often of monstrous appearance, and usually afflicted various inherited diseases. As a normal person will, by instinct, tend to do good, the deros will do evil at every opportunity, being completely devoid of any moral sense.

They have become particularly adept at operating the telug mech. Many of them spend practically all of their time at this mech, keeping themselves alive by means of "ben ray", which transmits life-energy into their bodies. In time they become so much a part of their mech that they are physically helpless idiots, incapable of any independent activity if they become separated from it.

The deros are constantly tampering with the affairs of the surface people for the purpose of causing as much trouble and suffering as they can.

They derive great pleasure from the mental and physical anguish of their victims. Once they have selected a victim, they constantly bombard him with insidious mental urgings to evil. They seldom cease their persecution until they have either driven him insane, or have been stopped by some superior force. Shaver contends that most of the brutal crimes committed by persons of previously excellent character are the results of "tamper ray".

Fortunately for the surface people, the deros are the smallest group in the caverns from the numerical point of view, and their numbers seem to be slowly diminishing. But, as one cavern communicator said: "Their importance lies in their virulence, not their numbers. One mad dog in a large city would be a lot of mad dogs if you had no effective means of defending yourself against it."

Next on the ethical scale, and probably the largest single group in the caverns, are what might be termed the gangster groups. These are composed mainly of former surface dwellers who found their way into the caverns in early times. While they will not kill merely for the insane pleasure of the killing, as the real deros will do, they are very low on the moral scale, recognize no law or rules, and will unhesitatingly kill whenever it will serve their purpose.

The social and political organization of these groups is a sort of medieval feudalism centered around a "boss" who exercises life and death power over his subjects. These groups are said to be in active contact with certain criminal and corrupt political elements on the surface, and a fairly active commercial exchange is said to be carried on between the surface and cavern groups. Goods made with slave labour in the underworld factories are secretly brought to the surface and sold through agents. In exchange the surface groups send the underworld groups food and other desired items. Women, lured by fake theatrical and movie offers, find their way into the harems of the underworld bosses; and slave labour, recruited from various surface dives, is supplied for the underworld factories. If the surface police could enter the caverns, Shaver says, they could solve many of their "missing persons" cases.

Highest of the moral scale, according to Shaver, are the "Teros", or "good people" of the caverns. These are also apparently a relatively small group numerically. "Tero", Shaver admits, is a term coined by himself from the old Mantong. They usually refer to themselves merely as "friends". The

teros attempt to block out the tamper rays of the dero whenever they have an opportunity, and to undo the harm which has been done.

They frequently give great aid to our scientists and research workers by telepathically placing information in their heads.

The teros have ancient defense mech with which they can protect themselves, except for occasional sniping attacks by the dero. This mech is too bulky to be moved from its present location, however, and was placed by the ancients so that each installation is out of range of the others, thus ~~preventing~~ the possibility of using it for rebellion or civil war. Thus, each defense post check mates the other, and neither group can completely overwhelm the other. There is almost constant warfare between the two groups, but it must be carried on outside the range of the fixed defense posts with portable hand weapons.

In addition to the groups mentioned, there are many "isolationist" groups who seldom have contact with either the surface or other cavern groups. These usually center around some leader of incredible age who exercises autocratic, but usually benevolent, authority over his group. In the U.S.A., these include many western groups of former Indians who went underground when the first white men appeared there.

Also included in these "isolationist" groups are the many groups all over the world which might be termed "priestly groups". These have taken upon themselves the task of preserving and protecting the occult, metaphysical, and theological science of the ancients. Most of them have the avowed purpose of bringing this knowledge to the surface people at some future time when they judge the world ready to properly appreciate it.

Many of the tero groups long for friendly relations with the surface people. The vast expanse of the cavern world is now sparsely inhabited and they suffer from loneliness, and hunger for companionship. Here under the U.S. in particular, they have seen in their scanning mech the many luxuries

which we enjoy. They long for trade agreements which would give them access to our stores and factories.

They are held back by the ancient taboos against any relations with the surface peoples, and by their more cautious elders. They seem to have very little scientific knowledge or mechanical ability of their own. Their wonderful mech came to them by inheritance and, although they are able to use it, few of them have the knowledge to duplicate it. They realize that the surface technicians, on the other hand, do have the necessary knowledge and skill...that once they had learned the secrets of the mech they could not only duplicate it, but probably even improve upon it.

Once this came to pass, they would no longer enjoy their present security from the surface dwellers. We would then be in a position to force our will upon them if we so desired. Some of the younger teros seem willing to trust us. The older ones have a lower opinion of our morals and motives. Evil and corrupt interests would seize the mech, they say, and use it to force upon both us and them a system of terroristic oppression worse than anything we know. Therefore, for the best interests of both, they must deny us the secrets, they say. Others point out that physical contact between good groups on the surface and underground would be difficult even if an agreement could be made. There are few entrances left at the present time, and many of these are in the hands of either dero or gangster groups, and are defended with mech against which our weapons would be useless.

Shaver believes, however, that an agreement could be worked out with some of the better groups whereby we could trade manufactured articles which they want for some varieties of mech..particularly that of a medical nature. This would require on the surface a group which was large enough and powerful enough to be able to carry out their end of the agreements in the face of opposition from evil intentioned persons among us. His sole purpose, he says, is to bring the facts

to the attention of thinking people, and to arouse enough belief and support to make such agreements possible. All his stories, articles and other activities on the subject are intended to this end.

COMMENT: By the very nature of the subject, the only evidence which can be submitted either for or against Shaver's claims is circumstantial. A considerable mass of circumstantial evidence supporting him has been submitted in his stories & articles and in letters from various other persons. Whether or not this is strong enough to constitute actual "proof" is a matter for each individual to decide for himself or herself.

.....Ralph M. Holland.

T H E N E V A D A D E S E R T

M Y S T E R Y

By MICHAEL TEALBY

In 1931, caverns were discovered in the California - Nevada desert by amateur archaeologists who stumbled upon a tunnel when seeking burial mounds. This tunnel led to chambers hewn out of the solid rock. More than thirty of these were discovered, the vast caverns being fitted with stone bunks and each bunk contained a skeleton of a now non-existent race of giants!

These skeletons had an average length of nearly eight feet and there was evidence that they had lived underground for A VERY LONG PERIOD!

One of the most significant facts, however, is that the walls and roofs of the vast caverns had been blasted and seared by heat- heat so intense that the effects of it were exactly similar to the effects of the atom bomb tests in New Mexico!

The caverns were furnished for comfort- the occupants had also kept domestic animals in some of the caves. THE BONES OF THESE ANIMALS SHOW THAT THEY ARE OF A SPECIES WHICH DOES NOT EXIST TODAY!

A recent expedition went into the Nevada desert to investigate the theory that Atlantis and its

overseas colonies may have been destroyed by atomic war! This theory is finding increasing favour and this expedition had the mysterious Nevada-California desert caverns as its objective.

The explorers believe that a large city existed in the region about 80,000 years ago and that the caverns were used as atomic bomb shelters- the civilization going underground to protect itself from the atomic warfare.

Also in the Nevada-California region, explorers have found elaborately engraved figures which SEEM to be "picture puzzles". Some of these mysterious devices were discovered under old mineral deposits and must be extremely ancient. No-one, at present, knows their meaning!

Explorer-Archaeologist Harold T. Wilkins states in his book "Secret Cities of Old South America" that the high plateaux of Nevada, Utah and Arizona are some of the oldest parts of the earth! There is a picture of a TYRANNOSAURUS carved on a rock in North Arizona. An "eye witness" picture drawn more than 1,000,000 years ago!

What other exciting discoveries have yet to be made in this region? What other things are hidden in this, one of the oldest regions of the earth!

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