

CRUDE CULTURE IN WORLD OF ANCIENT GIANTS

Archaeology Expert Believes People Merely Were Tall Race.

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(Written for the United Press)

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 19.—The sudden ending of our expedition to Sonora in search of remnants of a supposed race of giants has left me without direct substantiation of this matter, although indications at the excavation site were that several interesting discoveries were in prospect.

The body of a youth six feet, eight inches tall was our most important find. An examination of the skeleton showed it was that of a young male. It was the largest of ancient skeletons we found, but the other fossilized bones gave us important knowledge of the type of people that lived in that vicinity some 3,000 years ago.

We were unable to proceed farther toward the place where it was indicated the skeletons of more adults were buried. The unfriendliness of the Mexicans, who leased the land, and the attitude of the Yaqui natives made it impossible for us to stay.

People of Crude Culture

All pottery found was coarse gray or black ware in the shape of small urns.

These were all in strata in which we found cinerary urns and pockets of calcined bone ashes. With skeletons on lower levels we found a few flat shell beads, two shell pendants, made of petrified shells, also rubbing stones.

These people evidently were of an exceedingly crude culture. It is very likely that they occupied dugouts with brush coverings.

Cranium Foot Long

The shape of the skulls was a peculiar characterization. The craniums of some of the men were more than a foot long. This is a characteristic which indicates they were connected with the "Pithouse" people of Arizona, evidences of which have been uncovered before.

There is no question that we found a heretofore unknown burial ground and I believe the relics justified our expedition. No one can say whether we would have found evidences of a race of giants, but the discoveries gave rise to our hopes. I am sure the burial ground holds many important relics.

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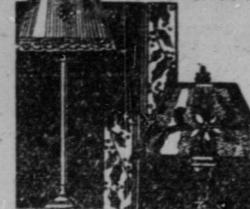
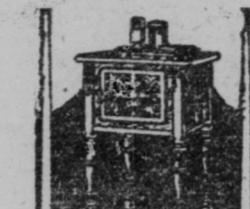


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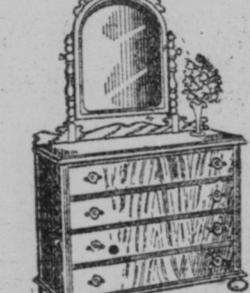


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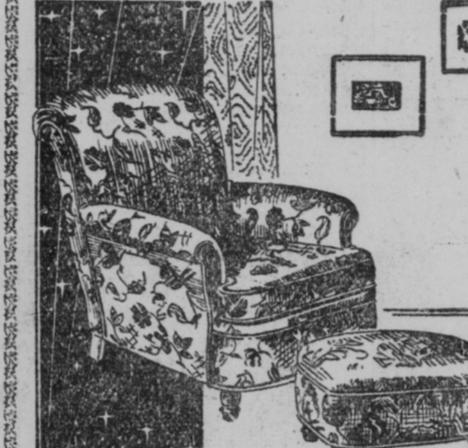


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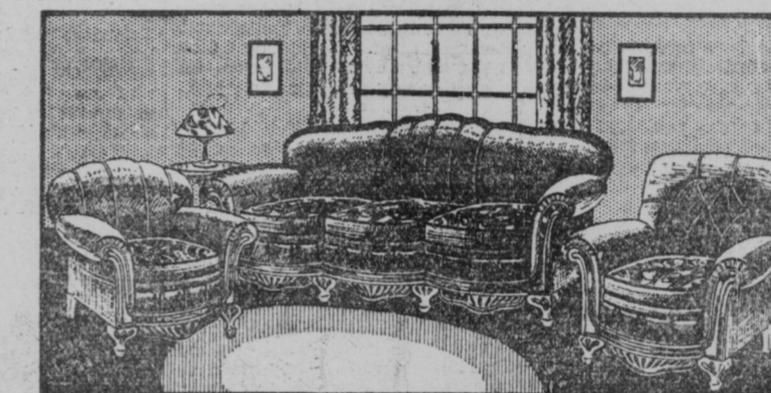
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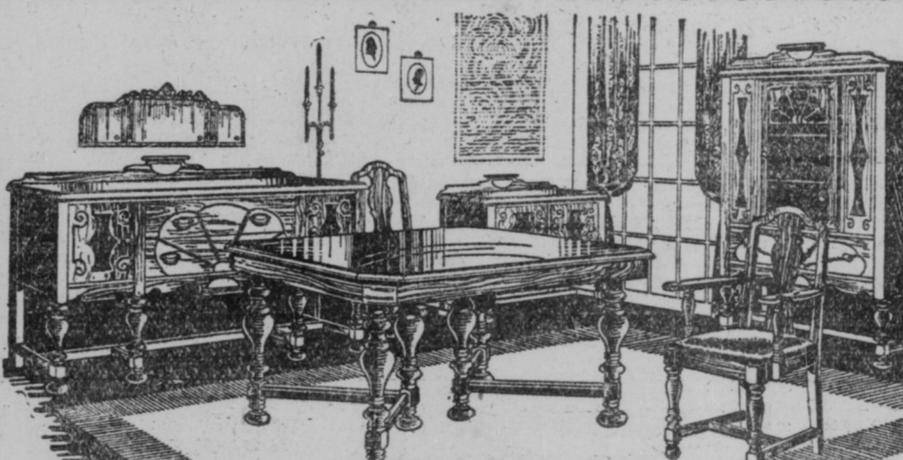
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