



SPHINX MOUNTAIN

YOU ARE FACING THE MADISON MOUNTAIN RANGE, ON THE SKYLINE TO THE EAST- PART OF THE BEAVERHEAD NATIONAL FOREST. THE MOUNTAINS ARE GRADUALLY BEING FORCED UPWARD BY GEOLOGIC FORCES, SUCH AS THE EARTH-QUAKE OF AUGUST 1959. SPHINX MOUNTAIN AND THE HELMET ARE CARVED ALMOST ENTIRELY FROM SPHINX CONGLOMERATE, LIKE THE SPECIMENS EMBEDDED IN THE BASE OF THIS SIGN. THE CONGLOMERATE IS ABOUT THREE THOUSAND FEET THICK. IT WAS PROBABLY FORMED UNDER WATER NEAR AN ANCIENT MOUNTAIN FRONT AND LATER FORCED TO ITS PRESENT POSITION. ITS COLOR COMES FROM GRAINS OF RED SAND WHICH COVER THE LARGER PEBBLES.

BEAVERHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

Sphinx Mountain sign on Virginia City Hill, explaining the beautiful panorama beyond. Scientists almost verify local legend which has it that China (or Sphinx) Mountain exploded upward from the other side of the earth in some ancient cataclysmic geologic disturbance similar to the 1959 Madison earthquake. Between Jinnis and West Yellowstone, Mont.



Dear Mike, Love at
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Post Card

Marlie Stevens
 6 W + Wash,
 Oreg City
 Oregon

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