



**Small Worlds Around Us**

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**Caveman Got Out of Rain Only by Copying Animals**

Intellectually retarded as he was, the caveman was human-like enough to adopt the easiest way of doing things. So instead of trying to build any sort of a shelter, he moved into a hole in a hillside. A natural cave was easy to come by and he probably didn't have sense enough to know how to knock together some logs, or tree branches, to make himself a shelter anyway.

How long the family lived in some sort of cave is an unanswered question, but one of the boys, perhaps a little brighter than his fellows, may have observed a woodpecker drilling out a cavity in a tree one day, and an idea was born.

Even to our hero's dull intellect, the woodpecker nest must have appealed pretty strongly, for the bird's nest was high and dry. The caveman must have wished he could find a tree large enough in which he could dig a compartment and be as comfortable as the woodpecker.

**Notes**

One or more of the more observant cave dwellers must also have noticed the bird nests built of sticks. So he, too, began to mess around with sticks, observing at the same time the birds also used mud to seal the cracks and crevices. He must have marveled, too, at the mound of water weeds and sedges piled up by the muskrat, in the center of which was a snug, cozy nest.

With his stone axe, he may have hacked trees into sections, assembled the pieces in a square and found he had walls; he may even have had brains enough to provide an opening for a door. At the same time, he probably thought the bird was pretty stupid, to build a nice, soft, comfortable nest and leave the top open. So, he assembled all the material available and made a roof to keep out the rain.

Copying the techniques of the birds, the beaver and the muskrat, he plastered mud on the cracks. He, being at least sub-human, had the typical conceit to think he had thought of the roof idea all by himself.

When he had some sort of shelter, he felt superior to those others of his kind that still clung to the cave idea; they probably watched a kingfisher dig a hole in a sand bank and copied it, or saw a rabbit or some other small animal dig a burrow in the ground.

Of course, the hole in the ground, or the cave, was damp and chilly, so once again the caveman imitated the animal formula.

**Made Clothes**

He figured the animal is comfortable mainly because it has a fur coat on, so he killed animals and made skin clothes for himself. He was probably feeling pretty proud of himself. Like his modern counterpart, he took all the credit for thinking of the idea. But his skin clothing left something to be desired; he still needed a shelter.

Prowling the woods, forests and the plains, he must have seen the bald-faced hornet. He may have destroyed the nest in hopes of finding something to eat in it, but was amazed at the structure itself. Seemingly, it was made of waterproof material, and inside were rooms, corridors, compartments and storage rooms all made of wood pulp. The insects had all the comforts of home, and were indeed high and dry; that was indoor living at its very best.

It took several generations of birds, and men, to develop a suitable shelter that could be called the ultimate in living, but the real originators were beings lesser than man; they had the idea first.

**Sportsmen May Air Views on Deer Issue**

Salem — Sportsmen who have complained that Oregon's deer and elk problems are dwindling will be able to tell the Senate State and Federal Affairs committee about it Tuesday night in Salem. The committee will hold a public hearing on a bill to set up an interim committee to study management of wildlife resources in Oregon.

**EXPOSE PROBLEM**

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