

LEGENDARY KOKOWEEF CAVERNS

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"THE SECRET OF PATIENCE IS DOING SOMETHING ELSE IN THE MEANWHILE"

When some unknown philosopher wrote these words, it was as if he was talking directly to us.

As an investor in the Legendary Kokoweef Caverns, you have been patient and faithful; you have persevered through our successes and our stumbling blocks. But the road to changing our stumbling blocks into stepping stones is the way we use them. That is the primary purpose of this Newsletter.

The Legendary Kokoweef Caverns Newsletter will be coming to you every other month to add continuity to our Company. You will be kept informed on a regular, on-going basis as to how your investment has - and is - being used and to propose a course of action for the future to speed up the completion of our venture.

Over the years, many articles have been written about the Lost River of Gold in the Mojave Desert. In this and future issues of our Newsletter, we will be telling you about the history of these gold-laden caverns.

This hollow-gold-filled mountain, called Kokoweef Peak (which is an Indian word for "Dripping Water"), was known to have existed for countless generations by Indians in the region. Legend has it that a few very hardy and exceptionally daring Indians managed to go down to the underground river and bring back considerable amounts of its golden treasure.

Earl P. Dorr grew up on a pioneer ranch near Kokoweef Peak and was entranced by the Indian legends. In 1917, several young Indians who worked on his father's ranch showed Dorr where the Cavern entrance was and explained how to follow the chimney-like cavern down to the underground entrance. It was to be another decade, though, before Dorr felt he was ready to try the decent down to the River of Gold. In 1927, he and a mining engineer known only as "Morton" spent four days in the Kokoweef Caverns. When they exited, legend has it that Dorr sealed the entrance to the cavern now known as Crystal Cave.

For the next seven years, what Dorr and Morton discovered in their nine-mile journey through serpentine passages deep in the bowels of the desert, would remain a secret. In 1934, Dorr signed an affidavit before a notary public which contains the only "facts" of the River of Gold and the now-Legendary Kokoweef Caverns. Here, in its entirety, is that document.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that there are located in San Bernardino County, Calif., certain caverns. These caverns are about 250 miles from Los Angeles, Calif. Traveling over state highways by automobile, the caverns can be reached in a few hours.

Accompanied by a mining engineer, I visited the caverns in the month of May, 1927. We entered them and spent four days exploring them for a distance of between eight and nine miles. We carried with us altimeters and pedometers to measure the distance we traveled, and had an instrument to take measurements of distance by triangulation, together with such other instruments convenient and necessary to make observations and estimations.

Our examinations revealed the following facts, viz:

1. From the mouth of the cavern we descended about 2000 feet. There we found a canyon which, on our altimeter, measured about 3000 to 3500 feet deep. We found the caverns to be divided into many chambers, filled and embellished with the usual stalactites and stalagmites, besides many grotesque and fantastic wonders that make the caverns one of the marvels of the world.
2. On the floor of the canyon there is a flowing river which by careful examination and measurement (by triangulation) we estimated to be about 300 feet wide, and with considerable depth. The river rises and falls with the tides of the sea - at high tide, being approximately 300 feet wide, and at low tide, approximately 10 feet wide and four feet deep.
3. When the tide is out there is exposed on both sides of the river from 100 to 150 feet of black beach sand which is very rich in gold value. The sands are from four to 11 feet deep. This means there are about 300 to 350 feet of rich gold bearing placer sand which averages eight feet in depth. We explored the canyon sands a distance of eight miles, finding little variation in the depth and width of the sands.
4. I am a practical miner of many years of experience and I own valuable mining properties nearby which I am willing to pledge and put up as security to guarantee that the statements herein are true.
5. My purpose in exploring the caverns was to study the mineralogy in order to ascertain the mineral possibilities and actualities of the caves, making such examination in person with my mining engineer necessary to determine by expert examination the character and quantity of mineral values of the caverns, rocks and sands.
6. I carried out about 10 pounds of the black sand and "panned" it, receiving more than \$7. in gold. I sold it to a gold buyer who offered me the rate of \$18. per ounce. Two and one-half pounds of this black sand I sent to John Herman, assayer, whose assay certificates show a value of \$2145.47 per yard, with gold at \$20.67 per ounce.
7. From engineering measurements and observations we made, I estimate that it would require a tunnel about 350 feet long to penetrate to the caverns, 1000 feet or more below the present entrance which are some three miles distant from my property.
8. I make no estimate of even the approximate tonnage of the black sand, but some estimate of the cubical contents may be made for more than eight miles and the minimum depth is never less than three feet. They are of varying depths - what their maximum depth may be we do not know.

SWORN TO BY: E. P. DORR, 309 Adena Street, Pasadena, Calif., on November 16, 1934

THESE ARE THE FACTS AS WE KNOW THEM.

In future issues, we'll tell you about Dorr's relentless quest for a grubstake and of the other individuals who started companies to mine Kokoweef. You'll also meet Dorr's nephew and brother and hear their views on this legend.

BUT NOW, YOU HOLD THE KEY TO PLANS FOR THE FUTURE OF KOKOWEEF.

Over the years, our Company, The Legendary Kokoweef Caverns Inc., has had its ups and downs because of cash flow. When there was plenty of money for digging and drilling, enthusiasm was high; when the cash-flow dwindled, even for the necessary living expenses for our volunteer "miners," we faced a low ebb.

As business people, we all understand the primary concept that money makes things happen. Once we have cash in the bank, we won't have to wait for one or two people to get things going again. This is our Company - our future! Instead of just a handful of people carrying the bulk of this financial load, we are soliciting the support of our entire small family of investors. The sooner we reach the Caverns, the sooner we'll all reap the benefits of our River of Gold.

With a steady cash flow, we can find the channels, dig deeper into the Caverns at a much brisker pace. Nothing is so frustrating than to be so close to one's objective and then not have the necessary funds to complete the job.

WITH THE MONEY WE HAVE HAD TO DATE, WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED A GREAT DEAL:

1. We are currently putting in a tunnel 200 feet from the entrance, bearing right 20 degrees along Snard's Fault leading directly underneath the Crystal Rooms through which Dorr claimed he passed on his way down to the River of Gold. We must investigate below Snard's Hole and the bottom Crystal Room because we feel strongly that there are passageways beneath one or both of these very important areas which could lead us deeper into the mountain bringing us closer to our dream. This is based on sound geological evidence from ground-penetration radar put in two years ago by a Stanford Research team out of Menlo Park, Calif.

2. We have begun drilling a water well which could reward us with contracts for supplying needed water to other residents in the area who must also truck in their water supplies. This would ease our own expenses in trucking water to our site. Currently, we are forced to buy water at Mountain Pass and truck it over rugged terrain, up 2000 feet to our campsite. These trucks break down constantly, costing us valuable time and money. We have contracted with a drilling company out of Las Vegas, Nev. (which is less than 70 miles from Kokoweef), to drill the well which should give us an abundance of water for not only our own personal use and contracting out, but also to continue our drilling and tunnelling projects.

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IMMEDIATE FUTURE PROPOSALS, IN ORDER OF PRIORITY, INCLUDE:

1. Taking seismographic readings of about two linear miles of the Kokoweef area to determine possible new drilling locations with cavern activity closer to the surface.
2. Starting a drilling program once-twice-three-times a year, or whatever we can afford, to investigate each new possibility.
3. Continuing our tunnelling within the mountain along and beneath Snard's Hole and the Crystal Rooms.
4. Beginning work towards creating a tourist attraction out of the Kokoweef Caverns by ~~dressing up our campsite, adding to it and generally upgrading the area.~~ This can become a financial investment for us in the furtherance of our exploration.

BUT ALL OF THIS WILL TAKE MONEY.

In this issue, you will find a self-addressed-stamped envelope for your participation in sustaining our operation. This newsletter will be sent to you every other month to keep you posted on how your money is being used and the progress we are making. Once each year, you will receive an annual report with a notorized, detailed accounting of income and expenditures, and a note for your total calendar year investment.

If you elect to help on a semi-monthly basis, please return a check for whatever amount you feel you can afford after receiving each newsletter. All investments go towards your equity in Kokoweef, and you will receive a personalized receipt along with a current progress report in your next newsletter.

If you elect to participate on a semi-annual or annual basis only, please indicate so in a return letter using the same self-addressed-stamped envelope. You will continue to receive your bi-monthly newsletter update and an annual report.

If you should receive too many return envelopes, please use one to indicate your thoughts on Kokoweef and the type of information you would like to see in future newsletters.

In future issues, you will meet some of the dedicated people who are volunteering their time and talents to further our challenging venture. We will also share with you more information on the Legendary Kokoweef Caverns.

We invite you to personally visit Kokoweef at any time. Also, we are just as close as your telephone or a 20 cent stamp. We want to hear from you, that's why we've started this newsletter and included our Nevada Operations Office address and phone number on the cover page. Use it to communicate with us. And remember:

"WE CANNOT DO EVERYTHING AT ONCE, BUT WE CAN DO SOMETHING AT ONCE"

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