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☑ Things to do today

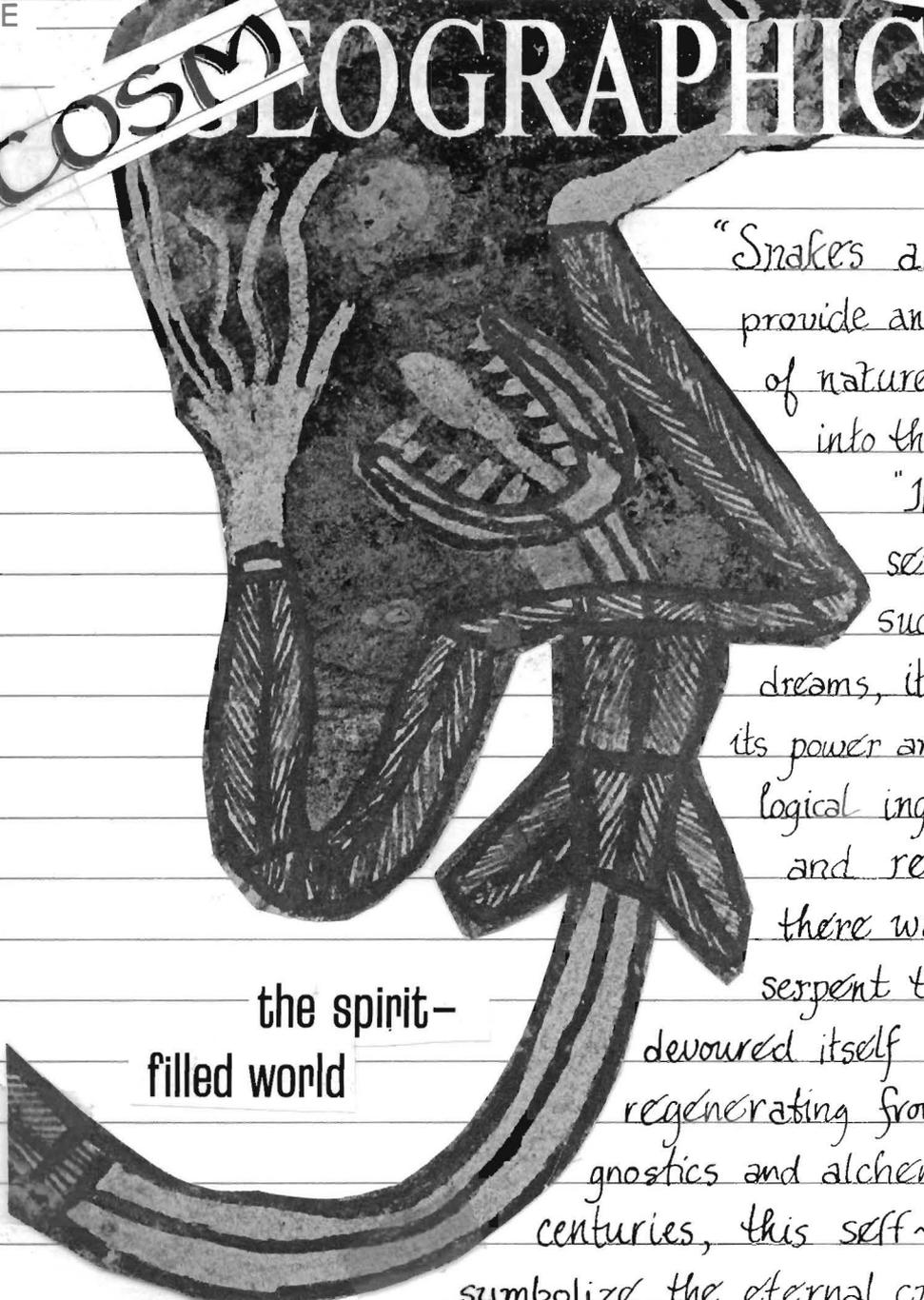


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COSMOGRAPHIC February "00"
Volume 1 # 2



the spirit-
filled world

"Snakes and dream serpents provide an example of how agents of nature can be translated into the symbols of culture... The tendency of the serpent to appear suddenly in trances and dreams, its sinuous form, and its power and mystery are logical ingredients of myth and religion. In Greece there was Ouroboros, the serpent that continuously devoured itself tail first, while regenerating from the inside. For gnostics and alchemists of later centuries, this self-cannibal came to symbolize the eternal cycle of destruction

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Things to do



DATE Ice Age the Gravettian Period, 30,000 years ago.

1 and recreation of the world... In the Aztec pantheon, Quetzalcoatl,
2 the plumed serpent with a human head, ruled as the god of the
3 morning and evening star, and thus of death and resurrection... Tlaloc,
4 god of rain and lightning, was another serpentine chimera with
5 humanoid upper lips formed
6 from two rattlesnake heads.

7 Such apparitions could only
8 be born in dreams and
9 trances."

10 -Edward O. Wilson -

11 CONSCIENCE ~ THE UNITY

12 OF KNOWLEDGE, p. 87-89.

13 Vantage/ Random House, NY:

14 1998 ISBN 0.629 76867 X

15 To the Ice Age artists, every available
inch of rock was their canvas,

Where the Past and Present Meet



Here the calcite-
encrusted ceiling swoops down and forms a pillar, site
of one of the most extraordinary images in Lascaux.

Scholars' pages

bomb earrings

KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, N.M. (AP) — Souvenir earrings with tiny silver replicas of the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 are being sold through the Internet something that praises the unit that dropped the atomic bomb,

at the National Atomic Museum,

which is run by the U.S. Department of Energy at this Albuquerque air base.

The earrings are shaped like the "Little Boy" and "Fat Man" atomic bombs developed during the war at Los Alamos, north of here, under the Manhattan Project. They sell for \$20 a pair at the museum.

LOS ALAMOS — Survivors of the 1945 atomic bombings in Japan spoke at Los Alamos National Laboratory on Friday — the anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima by the weapon developed at this northern New Mexico lab.

Wilfon, president of the Atomic Projects and Production Workers Metal Trades Council, speaks for striking union members.

LOS ALAMOS, N.M.

(AP) — For most of his career at Los Alamos National Laboratory, metallurgist Richard Mah hardly gave a thought to working with beryllium, a hazardous metal used in nuclear weapons.

Now his work is almost entirely focused on sparing fellow and future workers the deadly consequences of beryllium exposure.

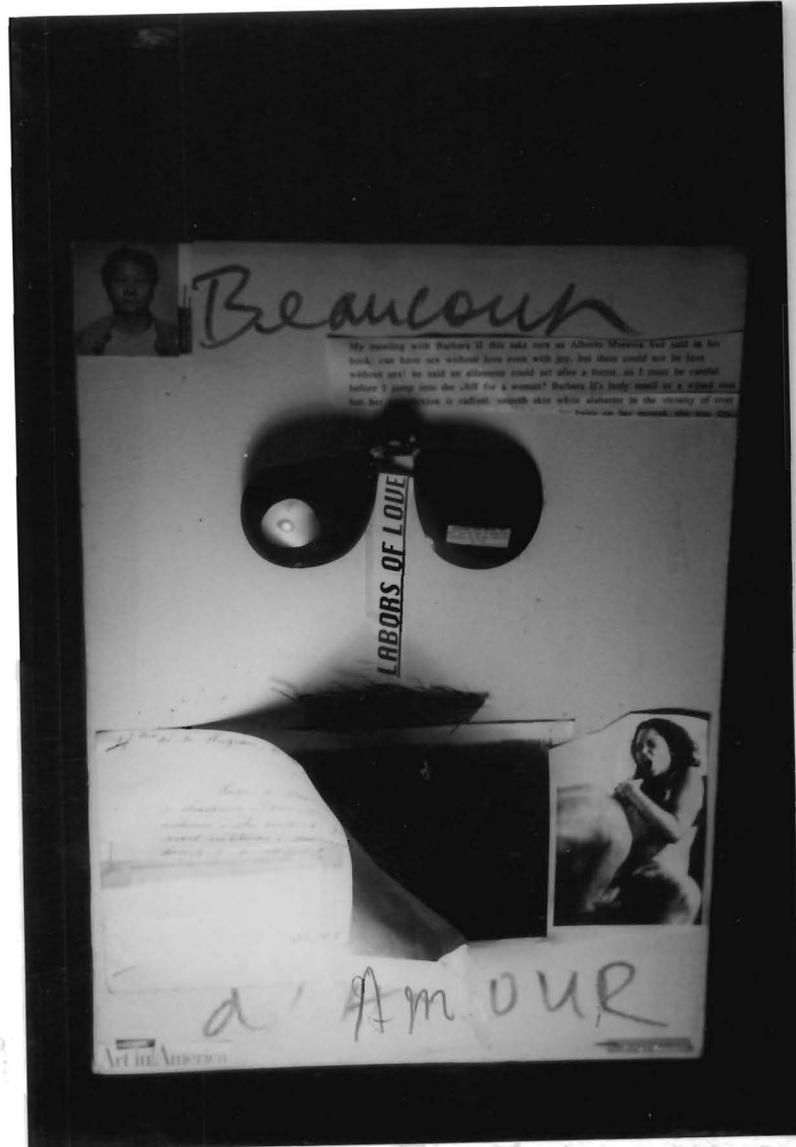
Also taking a cue from recent criticism that DOE and its national labs poorly manage construction projects.

South west living



Katherine Donithorne

MAINE



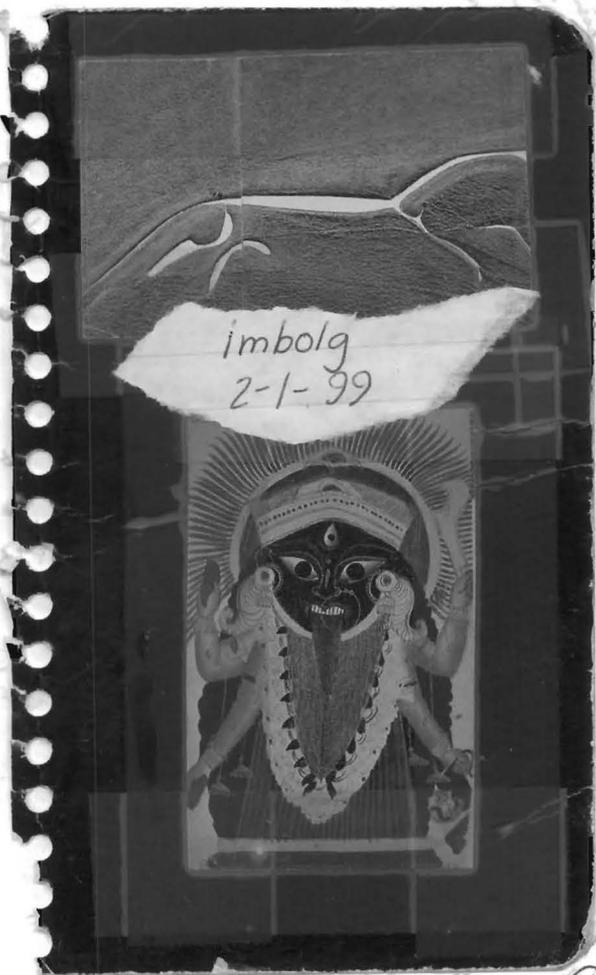
Nguyen Ducmanh

In America, you are not required to offer food to the hungry. Or shelter to the homeless. In fact, one of the nicest things about living here in America is that you really don't have to do anything for anybody.

"If there is anything vitally important to the happiness of human beings, it is that they should relish their habitual pursuit." —

— John Stuart Mill (1806-73), British philosopher and political economist.

SUBMITTED BY KATHERINE DONITHORNE



" suddenly I feel... young and vibrant, and full of the energies of spring - OESTARA!

Walking through Powelton this January morning, I found myself envisioning and experiencing the West Philly of spring and youth -

crocus
daffodils

bloomed in my mind - and then as I walked, I saw with my physical eyes... forsythia blossoms entwined in an iron fence!

youth, love, rebirth, resurrection, Shaktipat all seemed omnipresent, lurking, hiding, waiting to spring forth...

all stem omnipresent
lurking, hiding,
waiting to spring forth

youth
Love Art

Sex

Poetry

Flowers

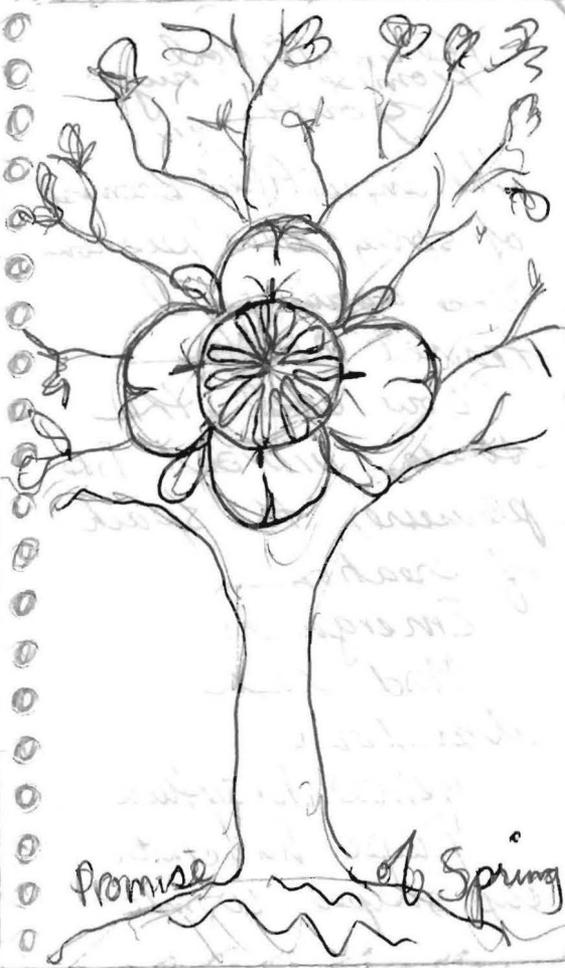
Fragrant spring
damp earth

the Goddess OESTARA

Promise.

"The Promise of Spring"

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the unfulfilled promise of my youth... The unfulfilled promise of spring now beckons once again as I travel north...

Love and the senses, vibrant life, pleasure, the spark of creation,

Emergence,
Mad, rash abandon

(cont) →

yellow forsythia
purple hyacinth

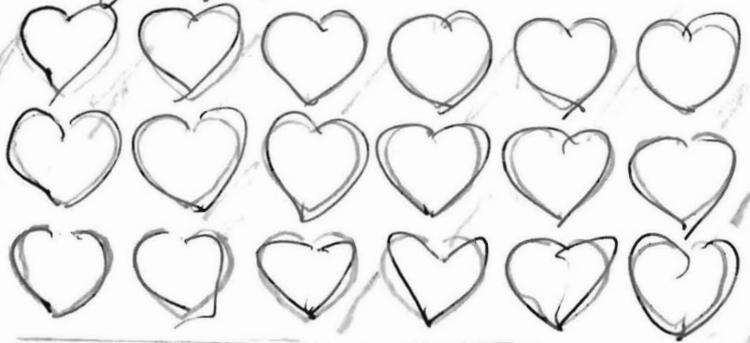
cup-shaped womb-shaped flowers hug the earth...

Earth turning, Kalachakra, Great Wheel of Time
cycles of the year, circle of life, sacred circle
turning turning

turning earth
spade + hoe

pen + brush

lips + loins:



Our medium,

The Great Turning
Transformation - 1000

years ON NAMAH

SHIVAYA

This land

This dream

This land

The hand

of He, the gesture

and She is

Blessed

among

women

IMBOLG:

The feast of the Bride

The Virgin

The Bride

The Bride in her Bower

The Maiden

In whose womb

rests the Promise

of Spring.

Spring lamb

Blood ESTRUS

Cronos

Crowe

Maiden

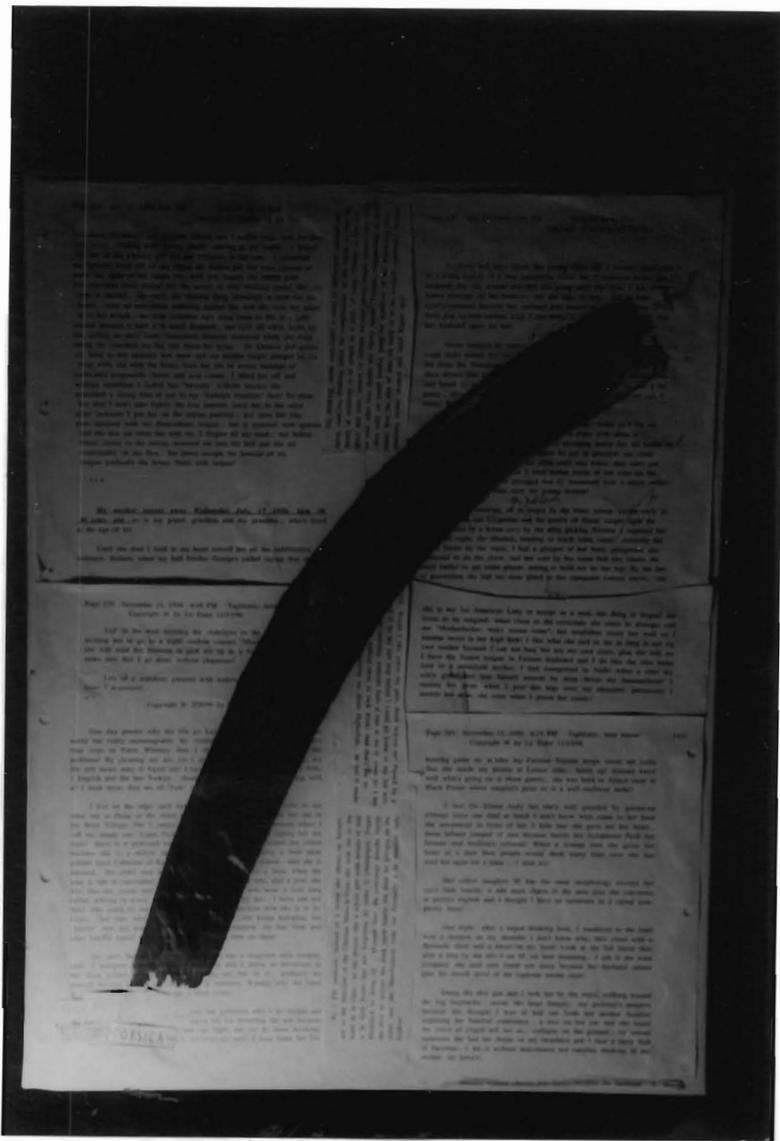


Mother

Return Return Return, Feast of BRIGITA, full moon,
Magick, marsh weeds, water, the sea, The pleasures of
the harbour, NJ scrub pines, Manhattan Skyline...

"Justice and youth... Whatta combination... Even the
stars scream a yellow curse... will not allow... think about Love..."

S. Holtz + A.R.L.



Nguyen Ducmanh

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LIEBESTRAHLUNG

Without the mind
The eye is blind
But the heart too
makes its own kind
of light.

Then teach me to see
in this space without signs
what every mother looks for
what every lover finds:
How each thing softly glows
with new spectral lines
And the more that you love it
the more that it shines.

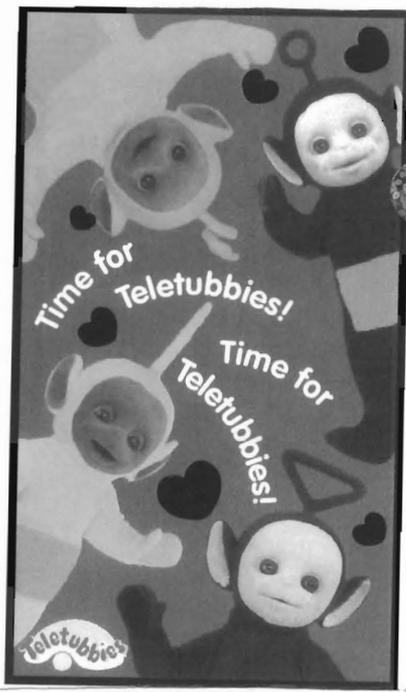
--DOCTOR JABIR

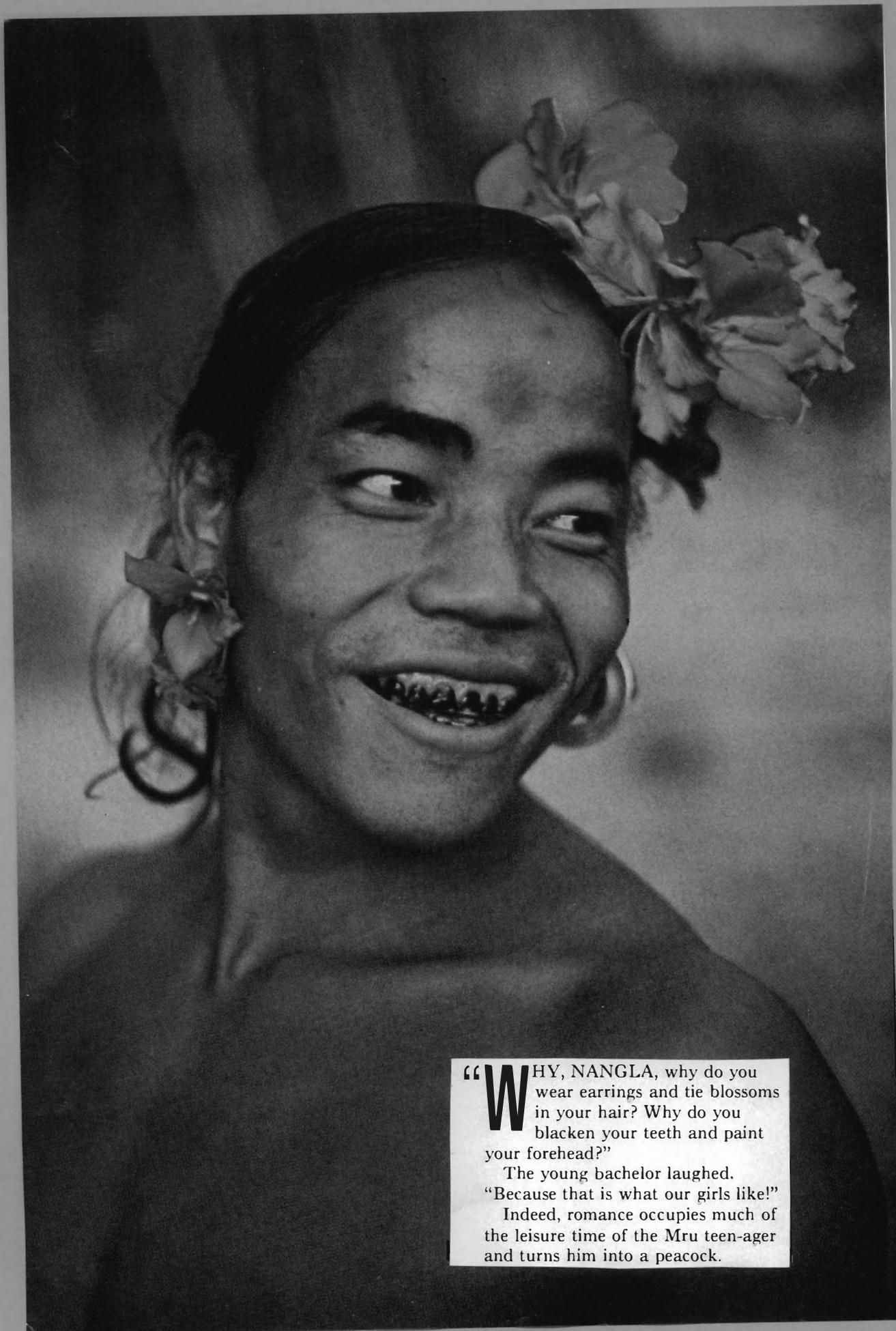
ORDINARY EXPERIENCE
is an ever-accessible message
in a thousand tongues
to each of the senses
in an easily breakable CODE
repeating i love you I love you
I LOVE YOU
in an ancient language
recognized by all civilized beings
everywhere in the cosmos.

DOCTOR JABIR

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Have a Happy
Valentine's Day





“**W**HY, NANGLA, why do you wear earrings and tie blossoms in your hair? Why do you blacken your teeth and paint your forehead?”

The young bachelor laughed. “Because that is what our girls like!”

Indeed, romance occupies much of the leisure time of the Mru teen-ager and turns him into a peacock.

Waging war on malaria, a traditionally garbed medical aide works at a Taqah dispensary, where she issues free medicines. Malaria strikes a majority of Omanis.



A SERPENT-HEADED Namarakain woman writhes on a wall at Cannon Hill (right); the 24-inch spirit figure fingers a loop of string that magically moves her from one sick bed to another. Spirits were common themes in art that attempted to explain the forces of nature.

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