

# Places for folks who really want to get away

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College who has been exploring caves since 1949.

In them, he says he has found previously unknown fossil species as well as new living specimens — among them, cockroaches that live only underground.

Immense uncharted caves are hidden by the jungle on the neighboring island of New Guinea. "The greatest potential for finding undiscovered caves is in limestone regions of the world with no surface water, where people wouldn't live," said Russell Gurnee, an American who

**Nearly 500 years after Columbus, there are still some places where man has never set foot.**

develops caves for parks.

**SOUTH AMERICA.** A great salt flat in southwestern Bolivia contains huge expanses that have never been crossed, says Loren McIntyre, a veteran photographer of South America. So does an icefield on the border between southern Argentina and Chile.

The Parima Mountains straddling Brazil and Venezuela have been traversed at the eastern and western ends, but many of the peaks in between haven't been, McIntyre says.

Along the Andes in southern Peru and northern Chile, summits not high enough to break records

have not been scaled. The once inaccessible Amazon region "has had people traveling all through it," but much of it still has not been studied scientifically, particularly in northern Brazil and southern Colombia, he says.

Elsewhere, there may be a scored mountain in Iran, a stretch of desert on the Arabian Peninsula, or some steppes in China that have not been trod upon.

The adventuresome may never run out of unexplored places, because, over time, new land

continually appears on earth.

In 1963, for example, the rocky island of Surtsey erupted from the volcanic sea bottom off the coast of Iceland. After a 1971 storm in the Bay of Bengal, a muddy spit of land popped up between India and Bangladesh.

And in a few thousand years, the Lohi Seamount will become another Hawaiian island.

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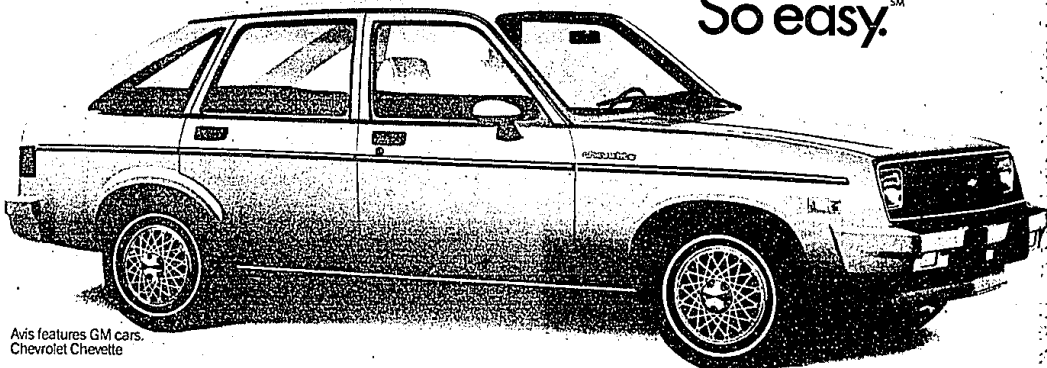
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