

## Outside Dwellers

## Internal Suffering

The hour was night... when the star called my attention  
I hadn't seen it before... since it was covered by a large rug  
Finally, I saw it was a star of five points of big size  
Decorated with ornamental designs... kind of cabalistic drawing!

Then, I took a chalk and copied carefully the whole design  
I sat within it and expected something to happen...  
So I recalled invocation rituals but nothing took place...  
...several minutes later I remembered the words and spoke them gravely...:

"PH'NGLUI MGLWINAFH CTHULHU R'LYEH WGAH'NAGL FHTAGN..."

Instantly, the most astonishing phenomenon occurred...:

"I found myself looking upon a nocturnal landscape...  
...desert vegetation... sandy rocks... the place was spare-  
of caverns... snow capped mountains  
...a landscape that couldn't have been found anywhere..."

Life seemed to be going on within this weird aliens world...

Rattlesnake crawling...  
Sharp-eyed hawk soaring overhead...  
The Gila monster!

In the meanwhile, bats came out of the caverns' mouth  
... then, a kind of human being made its appearance...:

"Rough of skin - emaciated...  
abnormally eyes and ears...  
ribs showing through its skin..  
Outside Dwellers!!!..."

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another - half a dozen!  
An eldritch head showed dimly...:

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"I realised the thing had a great perception  
for it saw me from the beginning, fixed its eyes  
upon me and began to move rapidly towards me  
through the darkening landscape... total paralysis...  
was this the ultimate illusion...?"

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