



" Seventeen thousand li to Peng Lai through a connected land " suggests that Sheng Zhou would be in northern part of United States. "Jie" in Chinese indicates that Sheng Zhou and Peng Lai are connected and therefore they should belong to the same continent.

Fusang, Fang Zhang are perhaps too distant that it was difficult to estimate how far as to their distance according to navigation period. Therefore there is no information recorded for distance.

However by direction that Peng Lai is located to the northeast of East Sea and Fusang is located to the east of East Sea. If Peng Lai were located in the northwest of United States, then Fusang should be located in Mexico.

Fang Zheng is located in southwest of central East Sea, then Fang Zhang should be located in New Guinea or Indonesia etc.

Summary of Chapter 2

<< Hai Nei Jing(海内經) >> in volume 18 of << Shan Hai Jing(山海经) >> has a record about the boundary between East Sea and North Sea as follow :

" In East Sea to the corner of North Sea locates a country named as Chao Xian(朝鮮, Korea) "

Thus the latitude of northeastern coast of East Sea is about on the boundary between East Sea and North Sea and therefore it should be in north of Chao Xian which would be about N 43 degree. In the other coast of North America, it would be located in Oregon of United States. This suggests that Peng Lai(蓬萊) is in Oregon.

The geographical features recorded in << Hai Nei Shi Zhou Ji (海内十洲記) >> and << Shi Yi Ji (拾遺記)>> were found in Oregon and that these geographical features cannot be found in Japan or other locations, so that Peng Lai would be verified to be located in Crater Lake and its surrounding area in Cascades.

Summary of Chapter 3

The description of geographical features for Fusang in <<Hai Nei Shi Zhou Ji >> suggests that Fusang is in Mexico. These records are as follows :

" Fusang is in the eastern coast of East Sea, straight coast navigated land. Ten thousand li from the coast in the east there is also a green sea. The sea is wide and narrow. The great lot of sweat are the same as those of East Sea. The water are not salty and green in colour, it taste good sweet. Fusang is in the green sea with area of thousand li. There is Tai Emperor Palace, the home for the father of Tai Zeng East Emperor. Forests and trees are abundant and the leaves are as same as Song. There are also Zheng tree, the longer one can be several thousand zhang as high and with circumference of 2 thousand wai. Trees grow in twins in the same root and close each together and therefore has name as Fusang. The god people eat its zeng fruit. The whole tree is gold in colour, stand high as flying in sky. Although the tree is large, the leave is zeng as the song in China. There is few zeng and the color is red which become fruit once in 9 thousand years. It is sweet in taste and has good smell. The lands are full of purple gold jade pills, as shape of masonry in China. "

As regards to the record " straight coast navigated land ", if interpreted as adjective phase, it would mean the coast is very straight, a land which can be accessed by walking. If interpreted as verb phase, it would mean walking straight from the coast to the inland.

" Ten thousand li from the coast in the east there is also a green sea " means that walking east from the coast for ten thousand li would see another green sea. If based on each side of 5 thousand li for the square-like peninsular of Fang Xhang as comparison, then 10 thousand li would be twice of this each side in length. Converted based on modern map standard, it would be twice of the estimated 25 kilometres. This is 50 kilometres, if allowed the error as estimated for 2 to 3 times, then ten thousand li would be estimated from between 50 kilometres to 150 kilometres.

"The sea is wide and narrow, great lot of sweat are the same as those of East Sea. " means that this another sea has the shape of wide but narrow. Then it would be a rectangle of narrow side. The longer side is very wide but the shorter side is very narrow. Great lots of sweat represents large sweat water, then it would be sea water. Therefore " Great lots of sweat are the same as those of East Sea." would mean sweat of sea water is the same as those of East Sea. Then this green sea would be connected to East Sea and sea water come from East Sea.

Thus this green sea is a bay of wide and narrow.

Then the land between East Sea and this green sea, surrounded by sea water from East Sea to this green sea must be a peninsular. Furthermore it also appears as a rectangle of wide and narrow. The wider side is the same as this green sea but the shorter side would be estimated from between 50 kilometres to 150 kilometres based on " ten thousand li from the coast in the east " .

According to the geographical features of this wide and narrow peninsular, it is obvious that Fusang should be located in Lower California Peninsular of Mexico because this peninsular is as long as one thousand and two hundred kilometres but only has width of about between 50 kilometres to 150 kilometres.

Therefore another green sea should be California Gulf. The peninsular is surrounded by sea of Pacific Ocean and California Gulf. This is so called "Fusang is in the green sea"

Trees grow in twins in the same root and close each together and therefore has name as Fusang and other features suggests that these trees are the giant Saguaro Cactus in cactus family.

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Summary of Chapter 4

Ignore the controversy on Fusang

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Summary of Chapter 5

The other Chinese legend book "Records of Strange Regions"( 異域志 )

Although many records on Fusang ignore the climate of Fusang, there is << Records of Strange Regions >> by Zhou Zhi Zhong in the end of Yuan dynasty shows the condition of sunlight in Fusang. The record is as follows :

"Fusang

In south of Japan, the east of Tai Han. There is no wall to form a city. The local people construct plate room to reside. The customs are no different as in ancient times. The people have no bad ideas in mind. They live with David's deer. By eating their milk, the local people will get longevity and seldom get illness. This is caused by the sun to heat the air( "qi" in unusual form ) as broiling( "zhi" ) the environment with smell as roasted bread ( "xun" ). The east of Fusang is extremely clear, the sunlight can enable everything in the air to be prosperous even for grass and wood, not to say human being.

This record shows that the air of Fusang under the sunshine is very hot. It is because "qi" in this unusual form is the same as the common form "qi" for air and therefore this "qi" represents air. "Xun" represents warm wind with smell as roasted bread. "Zhi" even represents broiling or heating by fire. Then the sunlight of Fusang should be very strong and therefore is described as broiling.

"But it is very clear in its east" represents the air in the east of Fusang is very pure and clear with no pollutants. Then it would mean that the air in the east of Fusang should have less vapor and therefore the visibility is very high. The place of less vapor should be very dry, combined with the very strong sunlight would mean that this eastern coast of Fusang should be the desert and the weather is very clear.

These features can be found in Sonora desert of Mexico but not Japan.

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Summary of Chapter 6

Examining from satellite images for details (can be downloaded from <http://www.satellitescience.com/>, this site no longer provide images, google search for satellites image, Baja California and also Japan for comparison), it is not difficult to compare the difference between the sea color for surrounding areas in Mexico and Japan. The color of seas for eastern and western coasts of Japan are almost dark but those for north over California Peninsular are exactly yellowish green in color as the color mentioned in << Hai Nei Shi Zhou Ji >>.

Therefore according to sea color, it is not possible for Fusang to be in Japan, then it can only be in Mexico.

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Summary of Chapter 7

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Investigate into the geographical features of the border regions for Fusang