

STONE AGE SIGHTING 'ASTOUNDING'

Abominable cave men?

NEW DELHI (UPI) — Two U.S. anthropologists said yesterday an Indian Army expedition's reported sighting of naked cave men who never discovered fire and live in Himalayan snows is "astounding" and "inconceivable."

The scientists, however, said naked holy men and ascetics often tramp the frozen glaciers of the Himalayan mountains and could be living in caves near the Tibetan border.

Anthropologists Gerald Berreman, a professor at the University of California at Berkeley, and Joanna Kirkpatrick of Bennington College in Vermont, were commenting on an Indian Army expedition's claims to have seen Stone Age cave men and women eating raw meat because they never discovered fire.

The army said the cave people were living naked in the Himalayan snows near Tibet.

Indian Army Capt. C. Cauhan said his expedition

discovered the cave people with Mongoloid features in 15-foot snows in the lower Himalayas close to the Chetak Pass on the border of India's Arunachal Pradesh state and the kingdom of Bhutan, about 1,120 km northeast of Calcutta.

Berreman, one of the world's specialists in Himalayan ethnography, said however "it is inconceivable that there's any group of people in the world who have existed in the past 200,000 years that don't know the use of fire and don't know about cooking.

"The army must have been seeing the Yeti and not human beings," Berreman said referring to the name given to the legendary abominable snowman.

The anthropologist said in northeast India, "various groups of tribal people live, some of whom wear relatively little clothing" and added "but they

don't live in the snow."

He said "snow dwellers there would be the Lepchas, Tibetans, and Sikkimese who are all heavily dressed."

Perhaps the army expedition arrived when the cave people were not cooking food and mistakenly thought the tribe did not know fire, Berreman and Kirkpatrick said. The "raw" meat may actually have been dried, they said.

"Hindu ascetics," Kirkpatrick said, "might wear only loincloths or be naked living in the snow but they would not have families because they have renounced the world.

"On the other hand, Tibetan yogis sometimes have families and may live in caves but they always wear clothes.

"I think this is the most astounding story I've heard in the past 10 years," Kirkpatrick said.

U.S. HAS BODIES OF ALIENS: PHYSICIST

Legal battle over UFOs

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A nuclear physicist is going to the U.S. Supreme Court to try to prove that aliens and flying saucers exist.

Stanton Friedman, of Fredericton, N.B., hopes to show they have been seen over an armed forces base in Ontario.

The Supreme Court is the latest step in a legal battle for the release of 131 top secret UFO reports held by the U.S. National Security Agency.

A U.S. judge and a court of appeal has already declared that the documents should remain classified for reasons of national security.

Ontario sightings

Friedman, a U.S. citizen married to a Canadian, will also be involved in filing suits against the U.S. Air Force to release confidential documents that include the Ontario sightings.

The Supreme Court appeal is being lodged this month by the Committee Against UFO Secrecy. Friedman is one of its directors.

A veteran UFO researcher and lecturer, Friedman and his group have been pushing for years to get tight-lipped governments to release official flying saucer reports.

"There is no question that aliens are visiting us and that flying saucers are

real. I have evidence that the Americans have pieces of a craft that crashed in 1947 and bodies of aliens taken from it," he said.

In November 1980 U.S. district court Judge Gerhard Gesell said the 131 documents were so sensitive that their public release might endanger national security. Gesell did not review the documents. His decision was based on a 21-page top secret affidavit given to him in chambers by National Security Agency.

The three judges at the U.S. court of appeals hearing in October 1981 upheld his decision.

Writing book

"We filed our suits under the U.S. Freedom of Information Act and we are now going directly to the Supreme Court to remove the coverup and reveal the truth," said Friedman.

"We are also filing suits against the U.S. Air Force to release documents about sightings in 1975 along the border with Canada including some over the Canadian air command base at Falconbridge, Ont."

Friedman is collaborating with William L. Moore, an Arizona author, to write a book on the coverup.

"Personally I think we will all see aliens before 1990," Friedman said.



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"Flying saucers seen over Ontario"