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The Air Force says that it has no **PHYSICAL EVIDENCE** (physical meaning 'something you can touch') that such things even exist. In the words of Capt. Edward J. Ruppelt, retired, who served three years at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, as Chief Investigator for Project Bluebook **WHAT CONSTITUTES PROOF??** — Does a UFO have to land at the River Entrance to the Pentagon, near the Joint Chiefs of Staff offices? Or is it proof enough when a ground Radar Station detects a UFO, sends a Jet up to intercept it, the pilot sees it, and locks on with his Radar, only to have the UFO streak away at a phenomenal rate of speed? Which is **PROOF?**

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## REHILL SAW 'EM, NON'T BELIEVE IT

12/6/59 by Gene Miller - Herald Staff writer

Joseph John Rehill is a skeptic who thinks stories about little green men from Mars and flying saucers are pure bunk.

"Who me? I'm no bug. Don't call me nuts."

Rehill, 39, a U.S. Navy pharmaceutical-aviation technician, is also the man who was focusing a camera at a vacant parking lot at Baker's Haulover at 8:30 a.m. last Sunday when he caught a glimpse of a "sudden flash."

Saturday, six days later, the color transparencies from his Argus C-3 came back from the processor.

There, on a perfect blue cloudless sky, were five white spots - one of them disc-shaped followed by a faint streak.

The transparency itself was undamaged. There was no evidence whatsoever of any monkey business with the original film.

"It was cool and I thought the empty parking lot would make a good picture," said Rehill, of 450 NW 135th St. "I was facing the Miami side and I put the camera on the car hood to steady it.

"When I first saw the flashes, I figured it was a 707 (jet) or something. When I looked again there was nothing. I didn't say anything because I didn't want people saying I go around seeing things.

"So you tell me" said Sailor Rehill. "I don't believe in things I can't feel, see, touch, or taste."

The U.S. Air Force, the U.S. Weather Bureau, and the International Airport Air Traffic Control offices weren't able to help much either.

Said Capt. Alva Smith, of the Homestead SAC base: "No B-47s were up at that time. The Air Force receives unidentified flying object reports from all over the world and it has been researching this matter for eight years or so without finding any scientific support.

"Sometimes an airplane with four engines will reflect light from all four engines."

Said Walter Davis, assistant Weather Bureau Chief: "We had no reports whatsoever. As far as we know, there was nothing on the radar screen."

Said I. M. L. Hanson, deputy chief of the Air Traffic Control Center: "We saw nothing unusual on our radar, but we don't check everything. Reserve flight squadrons, for example."

"Sometimes temperature inversions in the air make images on the radar screen. I Don't know what the spots are."

In fact, about the only people who knew for certain were the Miami Flying Saucer Club members. They knew it all along. Little green men.

(Credit Miami Herald, Sunday, December 6, 1959)

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(Ed. Note) I tried immediately to contact Navy Pharmacist Mate Rehill, but was unable to contact him until 5:00 p.m. He was out and his Mother, with whom he was spending his Navy leave, did not know when he would return.

I told her of my interest, left my name and phone number and Rehill returned my call at 5:00 p.m.

In the course of the conversation with him, I learned much. More in what he did not say, than in what he did. He did admit that he had just had a session with Air Force Intelligence Officers.

His answers to my questions were in complete accord with the policy of AF Regulation 200-2 and Department of Defense, Office of Public Information Release No. 1053-55. He refused my request to interview him by tape-recording for my coming Saturday night radio broadcast. It was apparent that he had absorbed his briefing very well.

His attitude was one of ridicule toward the very thought of Flying Saucers and Little Green Men from Mars. Yet, at the same time he admitted to me that the Air Force Officers had examined his Argus C-3 camera, the other transparencies on the roll and the frame with the UFO's and had found no evidence of monkey business. He further emphasized that he was preparing to take a picture of the parking lot (empty yet), saw a flash of light in the sky, snapped a picture and then when he looked back at the sky--saw nothing. Upon interrogation at that point, he said that he did not look around the sky to see where the lights had disappeared to.

This man has 19 years in the Naval Aviation

Service! Can you imagine a man so dead as to see what this man photographed, and did not check further visually??--I cannot--the story does not ring true--this is on the prepared follow-up!

To my request to examine the transparency, project it, and make a print from same, I received the answer that he was very busy, and it was his last day of leave---sorry that he would be unable to have me come across town and spend some time with him. But he said I could write and ask for a copy of the picture at his base. Reason being that the Miami Herald still had his transparency, and were going to mail it to him. That I should contact him at the U.S. Naval Air Station, Glenview, Illinois---via the P.I.O. (Public Information Officer)---all of course in accordance with AF Regulation 200-2!!!

Checked the following day, with the Miami Herald to endeavor to obtain a print from the negative that they had made from the color slide. Bert Collier, Science Editor of the Herald informed me that they could not release the print without the permission of Rehill. And there the case remains----

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'BALL OF LIGHT' CHASES CAR ON LONELY ROAD

STATESVILLE (UPI)-Nov. 3, 1959. Driver: "I sure was afraid." A frightened motorist told police today that a "ball of light" with a blue glow at the outer edges chased his car down a deserted highway for several miles before veering off into the pre-dawn darkness.

Robert L. James of Taylorsville said the "strange object" came within several yards of his car. He said it hovered over the vehicle "just above tree-top level" and moved alternately at slow and very fast speeds.

"I stopped six times and it stopped six times," James told officers. "I don't mind telling you, I was scared to death." Carl Campbell, riding with James, a used car dealer, corroborated the story.

Police said that a check with other officers over a police network brought reports from highway patrolmen that a similar object had been sighted by persons in the Hickory and Salisbury areas this morning.

James said he first noticed the object about 4 a.m. while traveling east on N.C. 90 near Statesville. The U.S. Weather Bureau at Raleigh - Durham Airport said it had sent up a

weather balloon that "might glow in the sun" at 6:00 a.m., some two hours after the incident near here.

James said the object did not resemble the description he had read of "flying saucers. It appeared to be a ball of light with a blue glow at the outer edges rather than flat", he said.

He said the object moved from left to right as it chased the car "and got so close to the ground at one point that I thought it had crashed." James said he passed no cars during the chase. (Raleigh Times, Raleigh, N. C., November 3, 1959, Credit Bernard Haugen, Cary, N. C.

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ICE DELIVERED HERE BY 'ICEMAN' IN THE SKY

By Ivan Swift -- Herald Staff Writer -- Nov. 23, 1959 for Mr. and Mrs. Harry Garber, 2909 S. W. 2nd St., Sunday was like the old days in Pennsylvania when the iceman delivered a chunk every few days.

Only the delivery they got was airborne - and unordered.

Mrs. Garber found a good sized block of ice outside their house a couple of hours after hearing a strange thud on the awning.

The Garbers weren't the only ones to get free ice Sunday night. About 9:45, Mrs. Joyce Smith, of 705 N.E. 24 St., found a slab nine inches wide by six inches thick in the yard.

"It's very clear - as clear as a diamond", she said.

"It's incredible."

Garber, 57, said a little flustered by it all, said he was taking a nap when the ice arrived. His wife was working in the kitchen. Mrs. Garber thought the thud was a normal noise - a car door shutting maybe - and she didn't investigate.

The couple ate supper and when Mrs. Garber went out to throw the scraps in the garbage, she found the block of ice.

"It was about the size of a toaster", Garber said. "We put it in the refrigerator", he explained, but after several trips out for inspection it had melted down to about a cupful.

Garber called the Federal Aviation Agency office to find out if any planes had flown over his home about the time the ice came. An employee told him there were no flights in the area at the time.

"It looks like it's got crystals in it, and it tastes plain", he said.

If a University of Miami chemist wants to run an analysis of what is left, he's welcome

to it, Garber said.

Recently there have been other reports of chunks of ice falling from the sky in different states.

(Credit Miami Herald, November 23, 1959)

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DID COMET DROP ICE? POSSIBLY.. 11/25/59

The "meteoric ice" which thudded onto two Miami lawns Sunday night might have come from a comet, a leading meteorologist said Monday.

Leonard G. Pardue, chief meteorologist for the Miami Weather Bureau said the comet ice theory is "certainly a possibility". But he added that he didn't really know what caused the ice.

It was found by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Garber outside their home at 2909 S.W. 2nd St., and by Mrs. Joyce Smith, in her yard at 705 N. E. 24 St. Both said they heard thuds prior to discovering the ice.

Pardue said one group of meteorologists has advanced a theory that chunks of ice reach the Earth greatly reduced in size following the breakup of a comet. He discounted the possibility that it had fallen from a plane after forming on the wings. (Credit Miami Herald, 11/22/59)

'ANGEL HAIR' SWEEPING INTO GEORGIA AGAIN

SYLVANIA, Ga. - (UPI) Angel hair falling from the sky? That's what residents here reported. The stuff variously described as angel hair and cobwebs, looked like silk. It clung to wire and trees and fell on the rooftops of homes.

High School Principal George Girard first reported the falling material. He described it as very light, airy stuff, silky and similar to cobwebs.

It was the third time in recent weeks that reports have been received of the unidentified material falling from the sky. Last week, Savannah residents reported "cobwebs" falling there. A week earlier, the stuff fell over a wide area around Washington, Ga.

In the latter instance, an Air Force chemist from Warner Robins Air Force Base examined it and reported it was silver halide, a chemical used to seed rainclouds. But at that time Georgia was experiencing its heaviest October rainfall in years and no planes were seen in the area.

(Credit Miami Herald, November 5, 1959)

(Ed. Note.) About the time of this report we received a sample in the mail from Coast Guardsman S. T. Watson, of Metairie, La. He and his wife and some neighbors had witnessed

a quantity of this falling from an empty sky into their yards. The sample was still complete and intact upon arrival at S. P. A. C. E. headquarters, and since I was already swamped with photographic work upon its arrival I had no chance to try to have an analysis made.

However, since it was in the fall of the year, and the time for "ballooning" spiders to migrate, and the sample did not deteriorate like the true angel hair seen to fall from hovering UFO's, we feel that this case undoubtedly was the work of migrating spiders.

A check with the encyclopedia turned up this information, "During the fall months the flying activities of spiders are especially noticeable. Ballooning carries spiders quickly into areas where they can begin new colonies.

The spider trails a dragline wherever it goes and thus covers soil, plants and buildings with silken lines. These are easily seen in the morning when covered with dew. Sometimes the wind picks up the thick covering of silk on our meadows and, carrying it for long distances, drops it in flakes and sheets."

SAUCER SIGHTERS RELAX, BUT AF IS ON GUARD

(By North American Newspaper Alliance.)

The United States Air Force which doesn't believe in Flying Saucers, reports that there have been fewer of them around in 1959 than anytime in recent years.

But the Air Force is getting ready just in case a real one should pop up.

These facts came to light with the issuance of a new regulation on the subject - AFR 200-2. It revealed that in 12 years of checking thousands of reported sightings not one unidentified flying object turned out to be a real flying saucer.

Signs are that 1959 will be a very bad year for saucer sighters. The Air Force reported it received only 143 flying saucer reports during the first six months of this year - a 50 per cent drop from the previous six months total of 296. Of the 143, Air Force investigations proved 140 to be balloons, aircraft, astronomical phenomena, birds, searchlights and hoaxes.

According to AFR 200-2, only three sightings, or 2.09 per cent, have not yet been identified at all.

The new regulation sets up standard operating procedure for dealing with UFOs. Main objectives are listed as: To guard the security of the United States, determine technical and scientific characteristics of any UFO and

explain and identify all UFO sightings.

While Air Force headquarters disclaimed any belief in existing operational UFOs, it is preparing air bases for any eventuality - including the "possible development of true unknowns." (Credit The Evening Star, Washington, D. C. 10/14/59)

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IT CAN HAPPEN HERE . . . . . OR CAN IT?

Alvin, Texas, Nov. 12, 1959. Police Chief Glen Sheppard started laughing early Sunday morning when a passerby delivered to him a message from the stranded driver of a gasoline transport truck: "A flying saucer flew over my truck and its powerful rays caused the truck to stop running. I need help!"

Alvin's genial chief stopped laughing when the passerby declared: "That flying saucer is still out there." "Out there" was just south of Alvin on Highway 35 so Chief Sheppard and Patrolman S. Garrett went out to see just what kind of help the truck driver needed.

The man's story might have been lifted intact from the pages of "Space Adventures". He told the Alvin officers and Wrecker Driver Mack Tower that the "flying saucer" had followed him all the way from Corpus Christi, some times descending from its great height to spray blankets of fog over the highway, causing him to become lost and six hours behind his scheduled arrival in to the Houston terminal. He added, plaintively, that every time the "flying saucer" hovered over the truck, the vehicle ceased to operate."

Saying absolutely nothing was a mechanic from the Houston office of the trucking company who came out to get the truck on its way again.

The Alvin officers satisfied themselves that the truck driver was not under the influence of any intoxicating beverages. They unwillingly admitted that, high in the sky, hovered an object which might have been a weather balloon which appeared bright and shiny when the rays of the morning sun struck it.

The truck driver, who received a minimum of comments from the Alvin officers, declared bitterly: "I guess you're just like those Angelton officers. When I reported to them, they said I was crazy."

Chief Sheppard said he reserved judgment - but no arrests were made. Both the truck driver and the "flying saucer" went on their way later in the morning! (The Alvin Sun, Alvin, Texas, Credit James Sparks, Alvin, Texas.)

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UNUSUAL CRASH

SEASIDE HEIGHTS, N. J. (AP) A 20th century plane crashed into a 19th century ship but the

accident went undiscovered for years. Skin divers came upon the wreckage while searching the ocean floor about 5 miles off the coast.

Cradled among the corroded wooden timbers of a sunken commercial vessel of the 1890's was the wreckage of a small plane (aircraft) of the type used for training at the beginning of World War II.

The plane had apparently crashed almost 20 years ago in exactly the same place where the ocean swallowed the old ship in the late 19th century. (THE BOSTON DAILY GLOBE, October 15, 1959. Credit Gladys Fusaro).

MAGNETIC FIELD OF SUN IS REVERSED

PASADENA, Calif. Oct. 23 (UPI) An astrophysicist reported today that the magnetic field of the sun has reversed itself.

The discovery was made by Harold D. Babcock at the Half Solar Laboratory. "The reversal of polarity was gradual", Babcock said. "It began at the sun's south pole about mid-1957. The change in the north polar region was not observed until November, 1958 - more than a year later."

Babcock began observing the sun's general magnetic field in 1952. He said it has been known for several years that the sun has a magnetic field that is comparatively weak and fluctuates.

The discovery was termed significant by astronomers, who said the shifting magnetic field indicated "internal activity" in the sun.

Astronomers hailed his discovery, but could not explain the shift. Some stars reverse their magnetic fields, sometimes within days. (Credit Washington Post, Oct. 24, 1959).

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ANTARCTICA SEALS SEALED 2,000 YRS.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Scientists have found a desolate place in Antarctica where seals apparently lost their way and died of starvation. Some of the carcasses may be more than 2,000 years old.

These seal "mummies" - preserved by the polar climate - were collected during the 1957-58 field season on land from a mile to 30 miles from the sea in the McMurdo Sound area.

They have just added to the mammal collections of the Smithsonian Institution. Dr. Troy L. Pewe, of the U. S. Geological Survey and the University of Alaska, and Dr. George A. Liana, of the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Polar Research, described the find this way:

"Most of the carcasses were found in valley

bottoms, many along the courses of sphemeral streams. Most of these streams do not drain into the sea but into small, ice-covered lakes in valleys blocked from the sea.

"Several seal carcasses were found along the edges of these lakes. Many were found at the heads of the sphemeral streams where they issue from glaciers, or at the heads of stream valleys.

"We believe that the Antarctic seals which occasionally wander inland find no food in the fresh or alkaline lakes and therefore die. The cold, arid climate preserves their carcasses an incredible length of time to attest to the animals last journey."

Radiocarbon dating of one seal carcass showed it was between 1,600 and 2,000 years old, the scientists said in a report to the American Assn. for the Advancement of Science. New York Journal-American, Nov. 3, 1959. (Credit Gladys Fusaro)

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MYSTERY OBJECT FALLS INTO PACIFIC

Nov. 17 - A mysterious object floated out of the sky on a red and "whitish" parachute and sank off the coast of Manhattan Beach, California. A lifeguard said it was two to three feet long, appeared metallic, was square at the top, and cylindrical at the bottom.

A Helicopter pilot hovered over it momentarily before the object pulled the chute under water. The U. S. Coast Guard searched several hours but found nothing. A nearby Navy missile station denied any knowledge of it. (Cincinnati POST & TIMES STAR, Nov. 17, 1959, Credit The Athenaeum of Cincinnati.)

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NO ROOM FOR WAR

Nov. 17, 1959 - A space magazine editor predicts 20 years from now nations will be supporting 2000 men on missions "all over the solar system" at a cost so great that there will be no room in their budgets for war.

By the hard logic of economics, a world irrevocably bound for the planets is irrevocably committed to peace. Dr. Franco Florio, editor of the Italian language magazine "Missili and Razzi" told the American Rocket Society in Washington. (CINCINNATI POST TIMES & STAR, Nov. 17, 1959, Credit the Athenaeum of Cincinnati.)

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WOMEN SIGHT FLYING OBJECT IN WILLOUGHBY

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 13, 1959 - Something that looked like a silver-colored pencil with fins flew over Willoughby, Thursday, it was reported yesterday. Three housewives who saw the object thought it was a missile of some

type. The moon was out and it was about 5:00 p.m. One of the housewives said she called the Plain Dealer yesterday because of an article Saturday telling that the mysterious "booms" Clevelanders heard Thursday and Friday came from jets.

Mrs. Ronald T. Bundy said there was a bang, like a loud clap of thunder. "I've seen jets, and it didn't look anything like them", Mrs. Bundy said. "I've also heard the sonic booms and it wasn't that".

She said the object was headed east, then shot straight up and disappeared, leaving a trail of orange-like flame. Two of the neighbors and their children also saw the spectacle. Windows rattled in their homes.

Three jet fighters appeared at the same time as the object. They were above it and northbound.

Information officers at the AF Bases in Youngstown and Dayton said their jets were in the air then and could have caused the rattling booms. But the women previously had heard booms caused by jet planes going faster than the speed of sound and they insisted this noise was different.

A spokesman at the Nike site in Willowick could not explain the appearance of the object. He was sure though, that it wasn't a loose missile.

"These things don't go off accidentally," he said. "If one were launched, we would have known about it." (Cleveland PLAIN DEALER, Sunday, Dec. 13, 1959 - Credit Nicholas Nestor, Cleveland, Ohio.)

A HOT GAME OF BASKETBALL

Miami, Dec. 13 - A South Miami aircraft designer asked police yesterday to help him find out what burned a couple of basketball-sized holes in his yard.

Gerald Robey, 32, of 6140 S. W. 78 St. said he had an unblemished lawn Friday night. The next morning, he found the spots -- one about 10 feet to the rear of his house and another 15 feet beyond that.

"The grass was burned right down to the ground in spots about a foot in diameter. There was a lot of ash, and some kind of light material that had been fused together by great heat.

"I don't think the spots could have been caused by meteorites, because they would have dug into the ground. This just went down to the ground."

Robey said a neighbor told him she heard dogs barking around the house at 1 a.m. yesterday. Robey guessed that might have been

when the grass was burned.

South Miami police dug up some of the ash and promised to have it analyzed. Miami DAILY NEWS, Dec. 13, 1959.

FOUR SOVIETS DIE IN SPACE, REPORT SAYS

ROME (Reuters) - Four Soviet astronauts, including a woman, have lost their lives in unsuccessful attempts by Russia to put a man into space, the Italian news agency, Continentale, said last night.

The agency, quoting "most reliable sources" in Prague, said four space attempts were made at Kapustin Jar Missile Base, near Alaska, and at Lake Aral, an inland sea in a desolate stretch of the Soviet Union north of Iran, at the end of 1957 and beginning of 1958, and in January and February 1959.

The agency said the first astronaut was Alexei Ledovsky, who was fired in a rocket shortly after the successful launching of Sputnik No. 2. Instruments followed him to a height of 300 kilometers (186 miles) "when the transmission was suddenly interrupted," and nothing more was ever heard of him, the agency said.

Second Also Disappeared

The second astronaut, Serenty Schiborin, was sent up in February 1958 but also disappeared in space, the agency said.

A leading Soviet test-pilot, Andreij Mitkov was sent up in January 1959, it said, and the rocket blew up within 20 minutes.

The fourth attempt was made by a woman, Mirija Gromov, who entered the stratosphere in a "space aircraft" similar to the United States "X-13", but this attempt also failed tragically, the report said.

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THOSE SPACE MEN SURE CAN CAUSE A LOT OF TROUBLE

Romeo, Mich. (UPI) - "I've got a half dozen visitors from outer space here, complained an elderly man to state police here.

Naturally, officers investigated but found nothing.

"Oh, they disappear sometimes -- but I can still hear them arguing," the old fellow insisted.

Again troopers looked around the place, found nothing and started to leave. The old man stopped them and asked again what they intended to do about "these people".

"We've got them all in the scout car now," Hutchings said soothingly as they pulled out.

Next day the old man called state police again saying: "You've got those people all right. Now come out here and get their space

ship out of my barn." (CINCINNATI POST & TIMES STAR, Nov. 18, 1959, Credit The Athenaeum of Cincinnati.)

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EDITORIAL

First an apology for being late in going to press with both the November and the December issues of S.P.A.C.E.

In my business, which as many of you know, is Portrait Photography, we have a greatly increased volume of work during the months of November and December. My publication of this bulletin is of necessity only a sideline. To date this type of subject matter does not appeal to enough people to make a self-supporting proposition out of it. So most of the time, I am reaching down into my own pocket and making up the operating deficit. This I can and do legitimately charge off to my advertising budget, for my business.

Therefore the time involved and the deficit are my inheritance at the end of the year, for my carrying on a venture, which in spite of its lack of financial return, I feel needs to be done. Many other editors feel the same, and I know many of them personally.

I appreciate those who have waited patiently for their recent issues. While the letters and complaints were coming in from the smaller percentage, who were complaining bitterly about S.P.A.C.E. being late, and threatening all kinds of dire things (such as cancelling their subscriptions) if S.P.A.C.E. did not arrive regularly, I was working 14 and 16 hours per day, and seven days per week.

The business of necessity had to take first priority, as if there was no business there could be no S.P.A.C.E., as there would be no one to underwrite the venture.

To the few who complained so bitterly, we also say, THANKS--and seriously mean that! If you did not miss the publication, you would not feel so put-out when it did not arrive at your door exactly on time.

So, seriously we do appreciate your concern. And this issue would be still later than it is, if it were not for the volunteer stenographical help on this issue from Betty Pasco, a member of the Miami Flying Saucer Club. We greatly appreciate her help, when she too was in the middle of a busy month.

Secondly, apologies go to the many who have written your Editor during Nov. and Dec. and received only SILENCE in reply. The spirit indeed was willing, but the flesh was weak (and tired). To the many who understand these problems, no excuse was necessary. To those who demand absolute adherence to a fixed

dead-line each month - and a personal answer immediately to their letters - NO EXPLANATION IS POSSIBLE!

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EARLIEST "HUMAN"??--"ABOMINABLE COAL MAN"

NOMINATED

by Lynn Poole -- Johns Hopkins University.

About three years ago a Swiss paleontologist, Johannes Hurzeler, startled the scientific world with the report that creatures belonging to the human line of evolution lived in Italy at least 12 million years ago, more than 11 million years earlier than any previously known animal with distinctive human characteristics.

Since 1956 bones of more than 60 of these animals have been taken from the soft coal layer of Tuscany in central Italy, including one nearly complete skeleton found August 2, 1958.

Brought together at the Natural History Museum at Basel, Switzerland, these fossils have been studied carefully by Dr. Hurzeler and other scientists in an effort to fit the so-called "abominable coal man" into his rightful place in the scale of evolution.

American anthropologist William L. Straus, Jr., who has spent three summers in Europe studying these remains, recently returned from a detailed and systematic study of the new, almost complete skeleton of the creature which is named "Oreopithecus".

"By no stretch of the imagination", reported Dr. Straus, "can it be classified as an Old World monkey, or as an anthropoid ape."

After careful investigation, Dr. Straus, professor of anatomy and physical anthropology at the Johns Hopkins University, found numerous characters of the teeth, skull, limbs, and trunk that resemble characters belonging to the human line of evolution.

The oldest animal having man-like characteristics, known prior to Oreopithecus, lived no earlier than 750,000 years ago.

From his studies, Dr. Straus has been able to determine that the animal was about four feet high, and weighed a little less than 100 pounds. He has estimated that the brain of Oreopithecus was about the same size as that of the chimpanzee. (Cincinnati ENQUIRER, NOV. 15, 1959, Credit The Athenaeum of Cincinnati.)

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DO WE COME FROM GARBAGE???? -- LEFT BY SPACE-MEN BILLIONS OF YEARS AGO????

New York - (AP) - Life on earth could have started from germs and "garbage" left here a billion years ago by exploring space travelers, a world famous astronomer suggests.

