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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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THE MYSTERIES CONTINUE

There are times when the pieces of the puzzle seem to fall together into one very clear pattern. Then one must ask himself--"Is this the answer--or is it only wishful thinking, which distorts the outlines, the shapes, and makes one want to accept the conclusion, as the final answer, when it may be only coincidence, or accident which makes the picture take its present shape?

In the past month, scattered world-wide events have all fallen hodge-podge onto the international front, and out of this haze emerges a picture which seems ever clearer. Or is it????

Really it all started back in February when an "alien" submarine was discovered by the Argentinian Navy in the Golfo Nuevo, an underwater valley off the coast of Argentina. The Navy spokesman duly stated that the sub was trapped and it was impossible to escape from the trench. **WHAT HAPPENED????** After repeated dropping of depth charges, which should have "killed" the sub, it was mysteriously joined by a "second" sub. Then much to the embarrassment of the Argentinian Navy, they admitted that both subs had somehow or other, mysteriously disappeared.

Then came the Agidar earthquake, and 5000 casualties, the greatest of modern times. A piece of the puzzle that does not seem to fit in anywhere in the picture. **OR DOES IT????**

April 19th--Conrad, Montana--a young farmer spotted an oblong UFO about 5:45 p.m. while driving his tractor in a field. The sudden glare of reflected sunlight from the UFO caused him to look up.

April 25th--Plymouth, New Hampshire-- Former Selectman Arnold W. Spencer reported seeing a bright cigar-shaped UFO with blunted ends, hovering in the eastern sky about 9:00 p.m. Then it suddenly moved off to the south at high speed, lighting up tree branches as it

passed, disappearing in about 30 seconds.

May 4--Sarasota, Florida--Architect S. B. Parker, Jr., sighted a yellow elliptical, or blunt-cigar-shaped UFO about 9:15 p.m. Four apertures, like square windows, were visible along the side. Faint verticle bands of light were also noted.

Remember the Cigar-shape---or the "submarine shaped" UFO seen in all of these cases. From past sightings we find that this particular type of UFO is indeed a submarine type, even capable of entering the waters of the oceans, and staying there for who knows how long!

Was this one of these strangers entering the Pacific Ocean????????

BALL OF FIRE FALLS NEAR FIJI ISLANDS

Suva, FIJI ISLAND, May 10 - UPI--- Residents reported that a "huge ball of fire with an incandescent tail issuing smoke" plunged into the Pacific Ocean about 300 miles south-east of here tonight.

There was no immediate explanation, but thousands of persons called newspapers and radio stations to report the incident and inquire if the Soviet Union's new "space ship" satellite had blown up.

The beeps of the Soviet "space ship" were heard in Paris as the satellite passed directly overhead hours after the Suva incident UPI reported.

The Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory in Cambridge, Mass. which directs U.S. visual tracking of earth satellites, said it knew of no space vehicle due to plunge to earth at the time. (NEW YORK TIMES, May 19, 1960 -- Credit Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio.)

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Then came the disastrous Chilean earthquakes. Over a week of daily shocks all of frightening intensity. Entire city slides into the Pacific. 3,000 known lost. Many

more thousands missing, or injured. The toll as low as it was only due to the disaster striking in a thinly populated area. Does all of this fit into the jig-saw puzzle????--Then comes this puzzler from the Navy Brass at Key West, Florida.

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TURMOIL IN KEY WEST -- SUB SIGHTED --
SOME SAY

KEY WEST, Florida--May 29, 1960--Navy brass called it only an old wreck yesterday, but enlisted men who worked over the underwater thing trapped for six days labeled it a spy-submarine.

"It was an underwater U-2," a sonar man said.

Whatever it was, it got away.

The Navy threw everything it had into the hunt, including magnetic detectors that clamped onto the intruding submarine if that's what it was, and sent signals that surface craft picked up.

Navy divers went down into 450 feet of water to look over the object. The first diver who came up was hustled into seclusion with Rear Admiral Lloyd Mustin, commander of the Navy base here, by four security officers.

Yesterday, Commander Mustin called off the hunt and said that the unidentified object was just an old wreck, that of the freighter Lake City. He did admit that the magnetic detectors were used and that two minesweepers with highly sensitive sonar gear were brought into the search.

Mustin was aboard the U.S.S. Penguin, a submarine rescue vessel, Friday when the diver came up. Security agents took him into a cabin to talk with Mustin.

"He (the diver) has never said anything about it since," another diver said.

One of the 20 Navy divers who were called into the search said the object moved some 15 miles from a 200-foot depth to 450 feet, always heading toward the open sea. Finally, it moved or drifted out of contact range. (Ed. Note--Well, now isn't that an active wreck!)

A Navy airman said "you could see the object from the air" as it lay in the crystal clear Atlantic off Key West. (Ed. Note--What, in 450 feet of water, you could see it --I've done a little skin diving myself--and I can't buy that one).

"It had a cigar shape, and it looked like

a submarine", said the Navy diver. (Credit MIAMI NEWS, May 29, 1960).

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And under the same dateline, the Miami News aired Miami's own mystery:

DEEP SEA MYSTERY----

WHAT ROCKED THE BOAT?

Miami had its own underwater mystery yesterday - a deepsea "monster" that grabbed the anchor of a 22-foot cruiser and towed it sideways nearly a mile before the fishermen aboard cut the line to avoid capsizing.

Could the monster have been a submarine?

The badly shaken boatmen--Carl Holley, owner of Shirley's Grill at 622 S. Miami Ave. and Norman Hallerson, a Union, N.J. truck driver--reported the incident to the Coast Guard.

"I'm sure we got hooked by a submarine," said Holley. "I think the Coast Guard thought so too. They said they were going to notify the Navy."

Holley and Hallerson, in Holley's inboard cabin cruiser were getting ready for some quiet fishing in deep water eight miles off Key Biscayne around 10:30 a.m. yesterday.

"I'd paid out about 130 feet of line when the anchor hit something, and I thought it was on the bottom," said Hallerson.

"It dragged us sideways about 8-10 knots, with the boat pulled way over in the water. We went at least three quarters of a mile broadside. Then the boat heeled over further as though whatever-it-was was going deeper. That's when we cut the line."

Key West naval authorities said no U.S. submarines were in this area at the time of the incident.

QUESTION--Where was the anchor attached that the "whatever" it was could pull the boat broadside? Or would an underwater force-field pull a boat along sideways? The anchor merely go-along with the rest of the ship, caught in the same force-field? Who knows?

JUST A THEORY---OR IS IT MORE?

Cause and effect. They are always with us. Suppose that in this instance, all the foregoing mysteries are all a part of the same world-wide picture.

Earth scientists cannot predict the time and place of severe earthquakes, such as the Agidar, and the Chile disasters, nor can he

do anything to stop them, or to know where the fault lines will act up next.

However, is it not possible that an advanced science possessed by an extraterrestrial race, may be able to go under-water in their craft, explore the ocean bottoms, check the fault lines with their far more advanced instruments, and even know in advance where the next upheaval will come? Could the two unidentified underwater objects which embarrassed the Argentinian Navy have been these extra-terrestrial visitors?

Could the unknown visitor off Key West have been another of the same? And could the "unidentified power source" off Key Biscayne, have been a playful (?) extraterrestrial having a little fun, with the boys up in the pleasure boat, taking them for a short joy-ride? Does it all seem too fantastic?

Well, if it does, then the other alternative seems equally fantastic. In light of the unfavorable world publicity that this country recently received due to the abortive U-2 flight over Russia, would we refrain from telling the world that Russian submarines were doing the same thing, only under the surface of the sea, instead of 12 miles up in the air?

Or would we rather the public believe that it was a Russian Sub---rather than to accept the even more impossible, that the UNIDENTIFIED UNDERWATER OBJECTS, were of extra-terrestrial origin, and meant no harm. Fantastic or not, still it is in the realm of possibility, like it or not!

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All the Miami mysteries are not under water--this one was a way up there:

MIAMIANS IN HIGH-LEVEL UPROAR

Miami HERALD--June 7, 1960... A woman in Biscayne Park looked into the sky Monday evening -- it was clear for a change -- and saw a brightly shining object.

"I saw something like it 13 years ago in Pennsylvania. That was a flying saucer. This one shot up and then turned and headed straight north," she reported.

An airlines reservation clerk saw the same thing and declared it had "a spiral tail" and was heading west.

In Opa Locka, a father and son aided by a 90 power telescope described the mysterious object as equipped with "twin tails."

Another thought someone had parachuted over the city.

A Miami man feared Russia had put up a new satellite... But alas, it was merely a weather balloon--one of the two the U.S. Weather

Bureau sends up daily to get information.

Explained a forecaster, "The skies are clear, the wind's light, and the setting sun provides a maximum reflection these days."

At last report, Monday's balloon was 70,000 feet up and still going.

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However, not all Miamians agree. The following is an eyewitness account---Monday, June 6, 1960 --

In the evening of June 6th, Mrs. Hamilton and I went out onto our solarium which is located on the roof of the Miramar Hotel five stories above the street, to view the beautiful sunset. Lo!, to our surprise just as the sun set at 7:05 P.M. we noticed in the western sky about 25,000 feet above the airport a peculiar red cloud that was moving toward the southwest. This cloud appeared to be about fifty feet high and possibly three hundred feet long. We ran for our binoculars and when we looked at this cloud thru the glasses the most wonderful colors appeared. The cloud looked for all the world like a parhelion which we have viewed many times from our roof. Above this cloud and to the north we noticed two bright lights hovering at least fifty thousand feet above the airport. These two white lights when viewed thru the glasses had a red fringe above them. These two lights hovered in almost a stationary position for more than fifteen minutes when they suddenly disappeared. Their intensity was about as bright as a first magnitude star.

We watched the red cloud move off towards the southwest and did not seem to move very fast when it suddenly turned north over the everglades and finally disappeared behind a cloud. This cloud was in view for at least twenty minutes. It is too bad that my 800 mm camera was in New York for repairs or I could have taken many pictures of this moving cloud. (Submitted by Francis F. Hamilton E.E. owner of the Miramar Hotel.)

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And up in Canada, they have some mysteries of their own.

MYSTERY TUNNEL FOUND ON PARLIAMENT HILL

OTTAWA, (Staff)--A secret six-foot high, stone-lined tunnel, unmarked on any public works department map, has been discovered by accident beneath the West Block of the Parliament buildings.

The purpose of the mysterious tunnel, where it starts and where it ends are questions that will remain unanswered until the tunnel has been fully explored.

At present, a trickle of sewage is running through it, but officials explain that seepage could account for this. Works crews have been unable to find any sewer outfall in the river cliffs behind and below the West Block so it is doubted that the tunnel was originally designed as a sewer outlet.

The fact that it is six feet high would seem to indicate that it was designed for the passage of people. But who?

The West Block was built around 1859. It is the same block that has a secret exit in a tower office once occupied by Sir John A. MacDonald and that is reported to have enabled more than one minister occupying the office to escape unwelcome visitors or job seekers.

The public works department, busy with preliminary work on a basement-to-attic reconstruction of the interior of the West Block, is going to track down the tunnel's origin and its terminal.

The tunnel was discovered late Wednesday when workmen went down a grated manhole to remove an obstruction in a sanitary sewer in the West Block. (Winnipeg FREE PRESS, May 5, 1960, Credit Gene Duplantier, Toronto, Canada.)

And in Jordan--the mystery of the lost cities--is still a mystery.

FINDS IN DEAD SEA NOT SUBSTANTIATED

AMMAN, Jordan (AP)--As far as Jordanian authorities are concerned, an American Baptist missionary-explorer failed to find anything new in his recent Dead Sea search for the wicked biblical cities of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Diya Rifai, acting director of the Jordan antiquities department asserts that Dr. Ralph E. Baney "did not produce any photographic material or evidence whatsoever" to back up his claims.

Baney announced in an interview April 28 that his four-member American expedition "located two lost cities under the Dead Sea which are believed to be the two lost cities of Sodom and Gomorrah."

He said he and three other divers found extensive underwater remnants of a civilization that flourished 4,000 years ago and then was inundated, apparently as a result of an earthquake.

PETRIFIED TREES

Among the discoveries he claimed were a cistern, a viaduct, a roadway, and a wall and a levee, all submerged in the Dead Sea. Baney also said he found "a small forest of petrified palm trees" in the area.

Rifai made the following comments:

"The claimed viaduct was a channel built by

the American point four program to prevent the Dead Sea's salty water from infiltrating to fresh water in Roman built cisterns near the Lisan Peninsula.

"The alleged road...was a road built for the former Palestine Potash Company and was destroyed during the 1948 Palestine war.

"There is nothing new about trees and forests, which anybody could see rising above the water and which were pictured and written about...30 years ago." (Peterborough EXAMINER, May 10, 1960---Credit Gene Duplantier, Ed. SPACE, SCIENCE, AND FLYING SAUCERS, 125 Woodycrest Ave., Toronto, Canada.)

Even in Holland mysterious things are happening:

HOLES IN HOLLAND

It probably had nothing to do with saucers --unless one of these from the earth's interior was in such a hurry to return to home base that it didn't bother to make a North or South Pole entrance--but in Holland, the Dutch government threw up barricades around the mysterious holes which appeared enigmatically in two meadows near the village of Wormer.

The mystery began when residents said they heard "a deafening whistling noise," and others declared they saw a bright red light flashing across the sky. The next morning a farmer found a strange, star-shaped hole, about 17 inches across, in his meadow, and called police. Baffled, the police called government officials and soon hundreds of investigators and experts arrived to investigate the riddle.

Bomb disposal men from the Dutch Army put a long metal pipe down the hole to measure its depth. But the pipe went down, down, down, without reaching bottom. So they added more lengths of pipe, but at 100 ft. had still not found bottom. Experts said the thing which made the hole, whatever it was, had gone through a layer of sand and clay, and that they probably would never get down to it.

As they shook their heads around the hole, another farmer arrived and told them he had a similar hole in his meadow. It had appeared in July, and he had filled it in to prevent his cattle from falling into it.

The government then seized both fields, declared them out of bounds, put up barbed wire and assigned guards to the areas. Various theories were advanced by villagers. Hole No. 2 had appeared on September 17 just four nights after the Russian Lunik had hit

the moon, and some people tried to connect the two events. Others, more skeptical, suggested it was all the work of a practical joker (though hardly likely in view of the government's continued interest in the holes). (Credit Gray Barker, Editor of the SAUCERIAN BULLETIN, P.O. Box 2228, Clarksburg, W. Va.)

Not to be outdone with mysteries, England comes up with her own.

WHAT CAUSES THAT "BIG HUM"?

CANTERBURY, England, May 30--(NEA)--In the peaceful apple orchards of East Kent, the garden basket of England, people are walking around red-eyed for lack of sleep.

It's all because of the Big Hum, the mysterious noise which murders sleep and undermines the health of those who hear it.

Nobody knows what causes the Big Hum. Some say that it comes from a secret atomic installation underground, others, that it is caused by industrial equipment, such as dynamos, generators or cold storage plants.

Still others blame Russian radio-jamming techniques, or American radar devices. But nobody knows.

HEARD WIDELY

Nor is the Big Hum confined to East Kent. I have seen letters from people as far apart as Cornwall and Dublin who complain of the noise, claiming that it is driving them batty. A few of the letters are from obvious cranks, but most of them sound sincere.

The Big Hum has been the subject of a question in Parliament, but the ministries of Science, Supply & Aviation disclaim all responsibility for the noise. So do the electricity boards and the General Post Office, which is responsible for all telephone installations.

In a picturesque, timbered cottage in the village of Molash, Kent (Pop. 259) I talked to bearded novelist Edward Hyams and his wife, the couple who started the furor over the hum.

'SPINNING TOP'

Hyams, an ex-Royal Navy radar officer, hears the humming noise only occasionally. But his wife, who writes cook books, says: "I've tried everything to blot out the noise. I've put wax plugs in my ears, tied a woolen scarf around my head, taken sleeping pills and sat up in bed reading a book on how to sleep by relaxing, but it still does no good. My bedroom sounds as though it were a spinning top."

What does the hum sound like?

"It is low-pitched and intermittent," Mrs. Hyams explained. "It is stronger inside of the house than outside, louder at night than during the daytime, and on weekends it is worse."

HEAD ALL RIGHT

Mrs. Hyams has been to every kind of a doctor, including one who checked her head for loose bones that might vibrate. All have given her a clean bill of health.

An electronics expert also tested Mrs. Hyams and found she had extremely sensitive hearing, picking up sounds at 30 cycles a second. "I've had hysterics twice since the hum started," Mrs. Hyams continued. "And I'm not an hysterical person, I'm the phlegmatic type."

The couple began to feel that perhaps they were going daffy until the letters started flooding in. As a result of a press interview and a television appearance, Hyams has received more than 400 letters from all parts of Britain complaining of the Big Hum. A large number have come from Kent.

Like Hyams, most of the letter writers had had electric mains, telephone wiring, water pipes and electric appliances checked in an effort to eliminate the noise. But the writers differ in their description of the Big Hum. Some say it is lowpitched and intermittent; others that it is a continuous, highpitched sound.

HYAMS' THEORY

The Big Hum has other peculiarities. It is heard more distinctly near the seacoast than inland, it varies with the wind and fog magnifies it. Adults, apparently, are more prone to hear it than children.

Hyams, who is also something of a radar expert, has this possible explanation for the noise: "It may be that the hum is caused by two noises with different frequencies that travel underground like shock waves. In that case, a house could act as a resonator at the end of the sound wave.

"Mind you, we don't want to be unreasonable about it, but the authorities refuse to take us into their confidence. They treat us like children." (DETROIT NEWS, May 30, 1960, Credit Violet Berger, Taylor, Michigan.)

In Grand Blanc, Michigan, Joe Perry, the pizza pie man is tired of his mystery.

FLYING SAUCER PHOTO AINT WHAT IT

USED TO BE---JOE

Grand Blanc, Michigan--May 25, 1960... Joe Perry, the talented pizza man feels the Pentagon people have sabotaged him or something. They certainly have done something to his flying saucer, Joe claims.

"It ain't what it used to be since they got their hands on it," said Joe, who takes potshots at the moon with a homemade

telescope-camera.

Joe, 44, took another look at his color-slide photo, snapped last February on the second night of the full moon.

"It's not the same," he said dejectedly. "The flying saucer has faded---something has happened to it."

The Washington experts returned the color slide a few days ago. The Federal agents picked it up last March when they heard Joe's picture showed a saucer-like object silhouetted against the moon.

Joe was anxious to get his picture back. He called the FBI. He talked to the Air Force. He made a trip to Selfridge Air Force Base, all in vain... The picture was returned shortly after he sent a letter to President Eisenhower. A letter included in the package from the Pentagon said the strange object in the picture was the result of faulty development and nothing more.

Among other things, the Pentagon folks have added insult to injury, Joe said. (The DETROIT TIMES, May 25, 1960--Credit Bill Berger, Taylor, Michigan).

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OHIO COLLEGE WILL STUDY FLYING SAUCERS

May 1960 -- Ohio Northern has become the world's first University formally to undertake a study of flying saucers.

The University will mobilize the full abilities of its faculty to gather, correlate and evaluate all possible reports on flying saucers. When the information has been studied thoroughly, the University will make known its findings to any interested individual or organization.

In announcing the project, Dr. McIntosh, president, said: "The American people are much concerned about the future of their nation and its place in the leadership of the world. The mounting interest in the phenomenon, the so-called 'flying saucer' is indicative of our people.

"We believe that a University like Ohio Northern has a distinct responsibility to hold itself in readiness to be of assistance in the discovery and interpretation of the facts which center around such phenomena. Our University is in rather a unique position to be of assistance at a time like this.

"We are an independent Christian University. We have 'no ax to grind', other than the discovery of the truth and the proper interpretation of the same. Have a College of Engineering, College of Law and College of Pharmacy, as well as a College of Liberal Arts, we feel that we possess a broad foundation for service

in matters like this.

"I have therefore asked our faculty to hold itself in readiness to be of assistance in all these matters. I have appointed a committee of the faculty to direct efforts of the University in whatever may be asked of us.

The University is asking persons from all over the country who have seen flying saucers during the past five years to write Project A Ohio Northern, Ada, Ohio. (Credit UNDERSTANDING, Vol. V, No. 5, May 1960, Re: Gladys Fusaro, Huntington, N.Y.)

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Ed. Note--This is extremely encouraging, when a University takes up the ball and starts carrying it. Science is awakening!

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NAVY TO SEEK VIKING TOWER

Newport, R.I. (UPI)--Jackson Jenks and his underwater Viking tower are the talk of this seaport town. Even the Navy is going fishing for his mysterious prize, which he has described as looking like "a Rhine castle wreathed in mists."

Jenks, director of the Society for the Protection of Historic Sites, a non-profit marine archaeological group, said he discovered the tower near Brenton Reef Lightship last year and has been secretly investigating it.

It's a 60 foot high pile of unmortared stones in 90 feet of water, he said. Each stone is the size of an office desk. It even has a door on top, which Jenks has been unable to open.

What is it? Here are some theories:

- A Viking tower
- A concrete ship
- A septic tank
- A lighthouse

Newport is considered by some historians a part of Leif Ericson's "Vinland the Good", mentioned in Norse sagas of nearly a thousand years ago.

One Navy officer is convinced it is the remains of a concrete ship the Navy was experimenting with during World War I. Still other people believe it is a huge septic tank or some other storage piece.

Some local residents suggested the tower might be Whale Rock Lighthouse which was blown down in the 1938 hurricane. But it was nowhere near this find.

Two U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey ships are scheduled to drag for Jenk's tower in

in July. If they snag it, a diver will investigate. (Cincinnati POST & TIMES STAR, May 13, 1960, Credit Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio.)

AZTECS HYPNOTIZED 1000 YEARS AGO

Mexico City, May 4 (AP) -- Aztecs probably used psychiatry and hypnosis a thousand years ago, reports Dr. Nathan Blackman of the Malcom Bliss Mental Health Center, St. Louis. Blackman told the Pan-American Medical Association Congress that studies of figures found in Aztec ruins indicated highly developed knowledge of both techniques. (Cincinnati ENQUIRER, May 5, 1960, Credit Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio).

BRITISH SCIENTISTS COLLECT STAR DUST

London, April 24 (UPI)--British scientists in the Antarctic are collecting "cosmic spherules" - small particles of dust from outer space resulting from the explosion of stars through the ages.

The government information office said a party of 27 scientists now attached to Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey bases in the Antarctic, has the collection of such spherules as one of its duties.

Smoke and other air pollution makes it difficult to identify such particles in other parts of the world, the office reported. (Cincinnati ENQUIRER, Monday, April 25, 1960, Credit Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio).

Giant Eel - NOW IRISH HAVE LAKE MONSTER

Dublin, Ireland, May 24 (AP) -- Three Catholic priests claim they've found a Lough Ree monster to compete with Scotland's Loch Ness tourist attraction.

The three clerics, who remained unnamed, reported spotting the fearsome brute while on a fishing jaunt in the lake near Athlone.

They told the Irish Independent that a flat, python-like head surfaced about 100 yards from their rowboat.

"The monster's body was thick as that of a man," one clergyman said. "It was like a giant conger eel - which would be very unusual in a fresh water lake."

A coil about 15 feet long thrashed in and out of the water, but much of the monster

seemed to remain below the surface.

Local fishermen on the islands dotting the 20 mile long lake said they had seen no such monster. But the life of St. Mochu, a sixth century Irish saint, records that Lough Ree was "infested by a monster which is accustomed to seize and devour swimmers."

(The Cincinnati ENQUIRER, Wed., May 25, 1960, Credit Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio).

NEW COMET DISCOVERED - by Science Service

Cambridge, Mass: A new faint comet, the second to be discovered this year, has been spotted in the southern sky.

A telescope equipped to take photographs is needed to see this new celestial object, which is traveling southward in the sky and is now in the constellation of Leo, the Lion. News of the discovery of the comet was sent to astronomers by Harvard College Observatory here, clearing house for astronomical information in the western hemisphere.

(Cincinnati POST & TIMES STAR - April 20, 1960 Credit Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio).

U. S. CLIMATE GETTING WARMER

by Science Service

Washington--The climate of continental United States has grown warmer since the beginning of the 20th century, a Weather Bureau meteorologist says.

Dr. H. E. Landsberg, who has compared the monthly seasonal and annual temperature means at 48 locations from 1906 to 1955, says temperatures in 40 places show "significant rises."

Annual rises of one and a half degrees Fahrenheit were found over the Great Lakes region and in the Rocky Mountain states. The average of 48 stations showed an annual rise of eight-tenths of a degree. (Cincinnati POST & TIMES STAR, Tuesday, May 24, 1960 Credit Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio).

ARMY ENGINEERS STUDYING PLANS FOR MOON BASE

Washington (UPI) - Army Engineers are making studies aimed at building a base on the moon, Lt. Gen. Emerson C. Itschner told the House Space Committee.

He said such work must be carried out

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simultaneously with development of space rockets capable of transporting building materials to the moon.

"Within the next decade," Itschner said, "our rocket vehicles will be able to transport exploration teams to the moon. Construction of the lunar base will have to precede all but preliminary explorations on the lunar surface."

He said the base "must be buried for heat insulation and for protection against radiation and meteorites." Small nuclear reactors would provide electric light, power and heat. (The Cincinnati POST & TIMES STAR, Wed. May 11, 1960, Cr. Dorothy Lefler, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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IS SOME PLANET'S 'SHIP' CIRCLING SUN?

NEW YORK -- A leading radio astronomer has suggested that a satellite dispatched by another civilization may be in orbit around our sun.

He believes it may have a recorded message to be broadcast when properly activated by radio. This could include a television image of the constellation from which it was sent.

This startling suggestion has been put forth by Dr. R. N. Bracewell, a professor at Stanford University in California, and co-author of a text on radio astronomy. His reasoning has been published in the British scientific journal, Nature.

He notes that, in 1927, 1928 and again in 1934 strange radio "echoes" were heard that have never been adequately explained. In a telephone interview he said it was unlikely, but not entirely impossible, that these were emissions from an inter-stellar messenger.

Prof. Bracewell has gone one long step beyond those astronomers who in recent years have argued that there almost certainly are intelligent beings elsewhere in the universe. He believes it possible that such societies, within our own galaxy, have long since established contact with one another.

This "ancient association" would be composed of civilizations "incredibly more advanced" than our own. Such a galactic community may be trying to "seek us out by special means that we cannot guess," according to Prof. Bracewell.

He questions whether such communities would blindly transmit radio signals toward other stars in the hope of provoking a response. This week the first attempt to pick up such signals is coming to an end. It began April 8 at The National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank, W. Va., where, for limited periods, a great 85 foot dish antenna was trained on one or the other of two neighboring stars.

The search for signals, known as Project Ozma (for the queen in "The Wizard of Oz") was directed at two of the three nearest stars believed capable of having habitable planets: Tau Ceti and Epsilon Eridani. The third, Epsilon Indi, is below the West Virginia horizon.

The experiment has, in effect, been a test run with almost a negligible expectation of hearing anything. Indeed, nothing appears to have been heard.

(Miami HERALD, June 20, 1960 - Credit Pete Hoagland, Miami, Florida.)