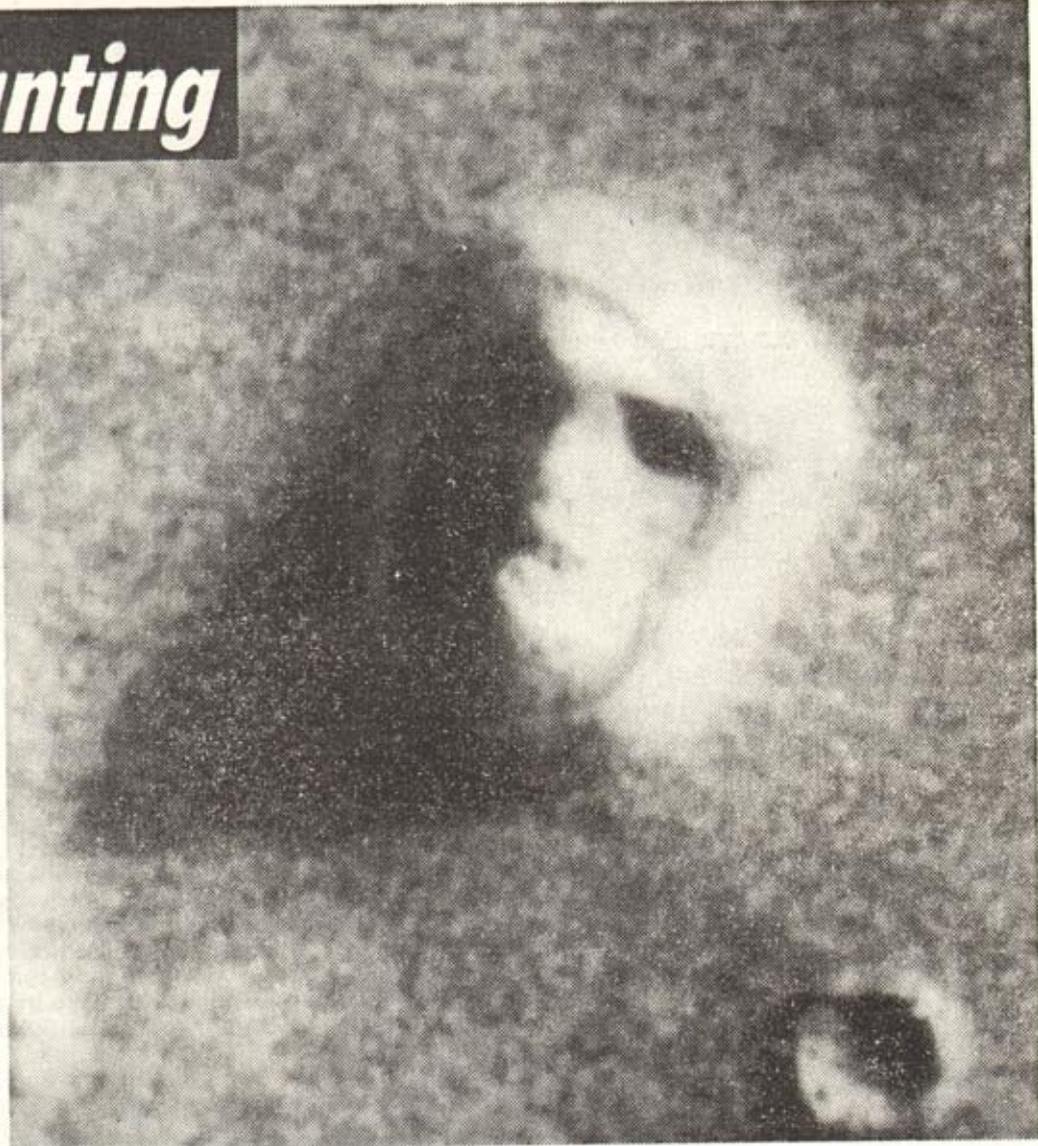


Scientists view haunting pictures sent from the dying planet

Stone face on Mars beams TV warning to Earth



MILE-LONG monument, center of photo, houses the Martian television transmitter that has been sending the Earth stark images of a long-dead civilization. Scientists who have seen the nightmarish pictures beamed from the gigantic face say they were made by a race battling a deadly plague.

By RAGAN DUNN

A gigantic stone face on the surface of Mars houses a TV transmitter that has been signaling Earth for at least 500,000 years.

That's the claim of Swiss astronomer Ludin Pasche, who says the ancient but ongoing Martian signal presents a grim warning to the people of Earth.

"The programming is a chilling look at a civilization in total decline," the expert told reporters in Zurich. "It shows thousands and thousands of wretched souls dying in the streets. It is nothing short of a doomsday warning — recorded and beamed to a neighboring planet. We must take heed!

"The suggestion is that the planet had been stricken with

Face-shaped Mars rock is a puzzler

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Unusual formations on the surface of Mars, including a mile-long rock shaped like a human face, may have been carved by a lost civilization — or maybe not, four scientists said

NEWSPAPERS throughout the world have carried stories of the mysterious monument.

a deadly plague. These people are thin and bloated and very sick.

"At the very least they are dying of hunger and thirst. It

is a horrifying thing to see." Dr. Pasche claims to be one of 50 scientists worldwide who have seen the mind-boggling Martian television transmissions.

He says that Soviet and American scientists have been monitoring the fuzzy black-and-white signals for more than two years, but have less than 90 seconds worth of clear, undistorted pictures on videotape.

"The signal is weak but constant, which is a miracle because the transmitter is at least half a million years old," he said.

"It is housed within the great stone face photographed by America's Viking probe in 1976.

"And it proves that the face is not a trick of nature or light, as some have said, but genuinely the work of a lost race which once dominated the planet.

"The face itself is clearly

that of a humanoid, with eyes, nose, mouth and chin," Dr. Pasche continued.

"The mile-long monument also appears to be wearing a

Doomsday images are 500,000 years old!

helmet. Many of the humanoids in the videotape are wearing helmets, too."

American and Soviet space officials would neither confirm nor deny Dr. Pasche's report.

Privately, however, they acknowledged that Dr. Pasche has worked closely with both. Dr. Lars-Tvar Carlsson, the noted Swedish astronomer, also claims to have knowledge of the Martian TV signal.

And he flatly stated that the Russians' unmanned space probe, launched last month, is specially equipped to receive

and record the Martian transmissions at their source for re-broadcast back to a scientific team on Earth.

"Contrary to what the pub-

lic has been led to believe, that is the probe's prime reason for being," he said. "The lost Martian civilization will remain a mystery until we receive its message clearly.

"Let us all hope that we can learn from what we hear and see."

Yuppies spark bourbon boom

Fashion-conscious professionals are tired of wine coolers and Corona beer, according to a new survey that found young professionals are drinking bourbon these days.

The study found that Jim Beam is now the favorite beverage among yuppies.

CREEPS KICK BLIND DAD TO DEATH

By DICK DONOVAN

Soft-spoken 38-year-old father of two Ernie King was beaten and kicked to death by four cowardly brutes who didn't give a tinker's damn that their helpless victim was deaf and blind!

King was hitchhiking to his home in Santa Cruz, Calif., after

his studies at San Jose State University when the savage thugs attacked him.

King, who suffered multiple skull fractures, was pronounced dead on arrival at Santa Cruz Memorial Hospital.

A teenage witness described the four killers as "mountain men types."