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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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WEATHER PHENOMENON? LAWMAN VOWS THAT IT WAS NOT

An Air Force announcement that a bright light seen recently at Levelland was a "Weather Phenomenon" known as "Ball lightning" drew fire from Hockley County Sheriff Weir Clem.

"It was definitely something", he told the Star Telegram by telephone from Levelland.

"They couldn't convince me that it was ball lightning. I have seen all of these things (weather phenomena) several times."

"It think my theory is better--having seen it--than that of the man who came 2,000 or 3,000 miles down here after it was all over."

The Air Force reported in Washington, that the strange sight of Nov. 2, was "St. Elmo's fire" caused by stormy conditions. The announcement also said investigation on the scene revealed only three persons, rather than dozens, as originally reported, had seen the light.

"That's three persons who saw it on the ground," Clem corrected.

"There were, let's see, eleven that saw it in the air. I saw it in the air". Clem added that the investigators came around and asked questions, but "didn't do any talking."

He said that other persons who saw the strange light take the same stand as his--that it was not caused by freak weather conditions. "They are all reliable people and the reports came too close to being the same to have been made up."

Clem said there had been no reports of similar sightings since the one time. "A big bomber flew over here the other day and a fellow called me out and asked me if I saw it. I said, yes, but don't tell anybody."

(Fort Worth Star Telegram, 11/16/57, Credit Mae Wentworth and Elizabeth Borries).

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AIR FORCE MYSTERY MAN LEAVES CITY

11/6/57--Levelland DAILY SUN NEWS reported, The anonymous visitor drove an AF vehicle, wore civilian clothes and said he could not give his

name or any identification. Around noon on the 6th he spent 30 minutes in Sheriff Weir Clem's office. He returned about 2:30 p.m. for another half hour.

About 3:00 pm he headed for Lubbock (30 miles away). He came back about 6:30, said to Sheriff Clem, "well, I'm gone," and drove off into the dark, drippy night.

There was never any hint as to what he found out or whether he was really a civilian or an Air Force Officer. (Levelland DAILY SUN NEWS, 11/6/57, Credit CSI of New York City).

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ED. NOTE--Well now that sounds like a very thorough investigation indeed. Did that one cost the \$10,000.00 that the Air Force claims it costs per UFO report investigated???

One man--spending at least 7 hours on the job? Yet it was upon this flimsy investigation which the Air Force said---"Nothing more than BALL LIGHTNING."

But this is nothing to compare with the "explanations" for the WHITE SANDS REPORTS, and the Coast Guard Cutter SEBAGO.

In the White Sands report, the Air Force branded two MP Patrols, and their Commanding Officer as being "Unreliable". AFTER, Cpl. Roy of one of the patrols described the UFO, as 75 to 100 yards in diameter.

"It came down very slowly to about 50 yds, and then it stayed there for 3 minutes, giving off a brilliant reddish-orange light. Then it came to the ground fairly fast. It looked like a completely controlled landing."

In the SEBAGO case the Air Force labeled the Coast Guard Officers and Radar Experts, as being "incompetent" and fooled by numerous jet and propeller driven aircraft, both Air Force and Air lines, which make frequent flights over this area.

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If the above comments seem harsh toward Air Force policy, they have only themselves to blame.

As one UFOlogist recently commented: "I'm perfectly sure that the saucers come from space. But there is one thing, which would make me doubt it----if the Air Force boys began to support the theory."

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LORD DOWDING RESTATES HIS OPINION

Retired Air Chief Marshal Lord Dowding addressed a meeting of the British Flying Saucer Bureau at the Museum Lecture Theatre, University Road, Bristol, England, on Sat., Oct. 5, 1957.

Lord Dowding strongly refuted the theory that flying saucers were of terrestrial origin. "If this is so," he said, "why has no domestic use of a new source of power been made? Why are conventional atom-bombers still being built at fantastic expense???"

(Credit, Flying Saucer Review, 1 Doughty St., London, W. C. 1, England).

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"SAW SNOWMAN, IT WALKED LIKE A MAN", RED SAYS

MOSCOW, Jan. 15 (UP) - A Russian scientist said today there is such a thing as the "abominable snowman" of the Himalayas. He said he saw one with his own eyes from a distance of 140 yards.

Prof. A. G. Pronin's account of a "man-like creature" which walks on two legs and is covered with fur coincided with a fresh rash of abominable-snowman stories from the Sherpa tribesmen of the high Himalayas.

The scientist described the creature in a newspaper and later told newsmen about it in a phone conversation from Leningrad.

He said that last August 10, he was leading an expedition in the Pamir Mountains--an offshoot of the Himalayas. "An unusual phenomenon attracted my attention at an altitude of 1,632 feet," he said. "It appeared to me that someone was standing at the summit.

"Pretty soon it became clear that before me stood a man-like creature. It walked, stooping a little, on two legs. But it did not wear any clothes.

"The body was covered with reddish-gray fur. It was stocky and had long extremities. Before me stood one of the representatives of the so-called 'abominable snowmen'.

"The snowman had just emerged from a cave. After walking about 650 feet, he hid behind a rock. I observed him from five to eight minutes. Prof. Pronin said that three days later he returned to the scene. The snowman

appeared again. The professor was certain the creature was "not a monkey or simian type," and that when he called to it, it shook its head and loped into the cave. (NEW YORK MIRROR 1/16/58, Credit F. J. Greve, Brooklyn, New York)

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DESCRIBES SPACEMEN'S VISIT--FRIENDS DOUBTFUL BIRMINGHAM, England (UP) Mrs. Cynthia

Appleton said Sunday that her friends and neighbors walked out on her, when two spacemen walked into her life.

The 27 year-old mother of two girls claimed that the spacemen walked right into her home, sat down, and had a talk to her about their plans for Earth.

Mrs. Appleton said she saw the spacemen twice in six weeks. The first visitor from outer space arrived solo, but on his next visit he brought a friend along, she said.

"Tall and blond--like Greek athletes they were," she added.

"One afternoon last November, I was in the lounge of my home when a spaceman suddenly appeared.

"I was terrified, but he spoke so kindly that I wasn't frightened any more.

"He said his people were willing to come to earth, but with only one objective in mind--to raise the standard of our civilization."

"They had domes on their head and wore tight fitting costumes," she said.

Mrs. Appleton said that since the spacemen started to call, her friends and relatives had stopped dropping in.

"Some people are saying that I am a crank, some that I am loose-headed and others that I have been working too hard," she added.

But two Church of England clergymen who have called on Mrs. Appleton said they believed her story. Her husband, Ronald, said he believed it too. (CHICAGO SUN-TIMES, 1/13/58, Credit Mrs. E. V. Brown, Chicago.)

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S.P.A.C.E. of course cannot vouch for the veracity of such stories as the above. However it is interesting to note that if she is pulling a "fast one", she apparently has her husband and two clergymen fooled.

Also interesting in the same UP story, as printed by the Miami Herald, was the omission of the bit about the Clergymen and the husband. This of course is editorial prerogative, but shows how individual or collective editorial

policies can flavor the news to suit the degree of conservatism of the paper printing the item.

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OFFICER SEES SKY OBJECT--"NOT METEOR"

ABILINE, Texas, Dec. 29, 1957 (AP) A Texas highway patrolman said Sunday he sighted a strange bright light zipping about the West Texas sky near Winters, about 35 miles south of here, Saturday night.

Patrolman Marion Gotcher said the object, "was so bright, I couldn't tell the shape."

"It wasn't a meteor," he said. "It was just as though you were looking at a brilliant locomotive light a long way down the track."

Gotcher, who holds a commercial pilots license, said the light appeared at an altitude of about 3500 ft., and that he was certain that it was not an airplane.

Two Dyess Air Force Base officers interviewed the patrolman but made no comment about the object. (FT. WORTH STAR TELEGRAM, 12/30/57 Credit Mae Wentworth of Arlington and Liz Borries of Irving, Texas).

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SOIL TESTS CONVINCCE EXPERT MARS SUPPORTS LIFE

San Antonio, Texas (AP) Forms of life might exist on Mars and even flourish, says Dr. Hubertus Strughold of the Dept. of Space Medicine at Randolph Air Force Base. Dr. Strughold is a former German aviation medicine specialist.

He says that soil samples tested show that certain microscopic organisms can live under conditions like those on Mars.

In a recent experiment, Dr. Strughold took soil samples from the Painted Desert of Arizona, from the Grand Canyon, and from the icy slopes of Mt. McKinley in Alaska. Such soil samples contained nitrogen loving bacteria, considered most likely to be at home on Mars. The samples were put in a deep freezer at night and allowed to warm to room temperature during the day, to assimilate approximate temperatures on Mars.

"After a week or two, certain micro-organisms disappeared completely", Dr. Strughold says, "but others flourished."

"The green color on Mars as observed by astronomers may be something other than vegetation as we know it."

But there is a distinct possibility that some form of life does exist on the planet. "Life has an enormous capacity to adjust," he says. (Big Spring, Texas, DAILY HERALD, 12/9/57 Credit Liz Borries, Irving, Texas.)

(Ed. Note) "Life has an enormous capacity to adjust". And how true, as we see right at home here on this planet. In the frigid Artic areas, beautiful and varied species of flowers spring

up and thrive just a few feet from the receding glaciers, during the extremely short summers in these frigid climates.

And ability to survive under almost impossible conditions is not limited only to the plant kingdom.

There are rodents that live in desert areas where it never rains. How do they exist without water? They eat metallic oxides from outcroppings of surface ores. This they combine in a special organ, unique to their species, with hydrogen breathed into their lungs from the air. This special organ combines the hydrogen from the air and the oxygen from the metallic ores---and makes WATER. Almost unbelievable, yet our scientists tell us this is true.

And if life can adapt itself to almost any set of circumstances on this planet and exist in hundreds of thousands of kinds of forms on this planet-----how many and how foreign could be the species on some of our planetary neighbors???

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From Texas also comes word that San Antonio oil man and sportsman, Tom Slick is going to make another search for the illusive abominable snowman. His co-sponsor this time will be Ft. Worth oil man and big game hunter, F. Kirk Johnson.

"I definitely believe the snowman exists," Johnson told the press. "Tom Slick came back from his two trips over there, convinced that there is such a thing."

"I believe this expedition will prove it, and I want to have a part in such an important discovery." A Russian expedition is making plans to hunt for the beast soon. Johnson's group will try to beat the Russians to the snowman's lair. The snowman is said to be between a gorilla and a man, and to live in the high mountains of the Nepal country near the Tibetan border. The Johnson-Slick group will search for it on foot from altitudes of 12,500 to 17,500 feet.

Its footprints have been seen and photographed many times. Natives, who refer to it as the "indescribably filthy snowman," have legends hundreds of years old about the snowman carrying off women.

"We've got to beat the Russians to it," Johnson said. (Ft. Worth PRESS, Credit, Alice and Richard Kreitz, Arlington, Texas)

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From William C. Lamb, of Newcastle, Wyoming, comes a clipping from the RAPID CITY DAILY JOURNAL, of Rapid City, S. Dakota, Dec. 2, 1957.

MOUNTANANS EXCITED BY EXPLOSION, LIGHT

Helena, Mont. (AP) - A terrific explosion, a green ball and a white flash so bright it blinded motorists momentarily, excited northern and eastern Montanans Sunday.

"Green Ball" reports came from widely spread communities as vast areas of Montana were lighted.

All reports bore some agreement that the object was traveling northerly and was visible three seconds or less.

There was no official report from Air Force or Weather Bureau sources.

The object looked somewhat like a meteor, or a comet. Its front was molten white and toward the tail the color changed to light green.

In Scobey, a county seat town of about 1800, residents heard a terrific explosion that rattled windows and dishes on their shelves. Many checked their furnaces, fearing an explosion in their homes.

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Lamb then goes on to add, "Our astronomers and meteorologists, think that these RED and GREEN fireballs are just meteorites---and I claim they are NUTS.

"Two other witnesses and myself, saw a meteorite (we thought) drop out of the sky, south of Newcastle, in Aug. of 1955. "It made a streak of blue smoke from at least 10 miles up, or more. The smoke lasted for several minutes. "At about 6,000' up it made an angle turn, passed through a cloud, and struck the earth (in our sight) between two little hills. The dirt flew over 150 feet in the air---and I counted FIVE SAUCERS---raise out of the dust and ascended above the cloud level. They then entered into a cloud---formed by the saucers themselves, and then this cloud drifted northwest---against the wind, and then vanished. The other two witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Kelso, of Newcastle.

"The fireball in Montana, was something on the same line---SO WHAT? There have been several big sightings in the last several years in Colorado, New Mexico, and Utah---but no fragments of meteorites have been found.

"I am inclined to believe, that these Red and Green Fireballs, that we think are Meteorites, are STONES OF FIRE, (Ezekial 28:16) that the DEVIL flies in. They apparently burn themselves out---but instantly materialize into UFO's (visible and invisible) and show up later as FLYING SAUCERS, as the five saucers that I saw rise out of a cloud of dust---and were visible for only about five seconds."

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Oldtimers in the UFO research field will re-

member Mr. Lamb, as the man written up by GRAY BARKER, in one of his early issues, February, 1954, of the SAUCERIAN.

Lamb claimed that he had climbed Mt. Cameron in Colorado, in June of 1932. He ran across giant tracks 17 inches long and 4 to 6 inches wide. He later saw a fireball drop out of the sky, and a transformation took place. The fireball vanished into thin air, and there stood a creature, 8 feet tall and looking very like the description of the Abominable Snowman.

The creature took off after Lamb who after several narrow escapes, managed to get away by jumping off a cliff, into a pine tree, and that is how Lamb managed to escape his pursuer. Lamb believes this creature to be of the same breed as the abominable snowmen of the Himalayas.

Lamb also writes that he wrote to Tom Slick, Texas oil man, telling him of his experience on top of Mt. Cameron. "Don't know whether anyone has been looking for this BIRD on top of Mt. Cameron, or not---but I've had all I wanted of him," writes Lamb.

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S.P.A.C.E. of course cannot vouch for the validity of all claims appearing in these columns. Ours is but to report, and evaluate if possible the information. And while this all seems to come from one of the LATE--LATE--LATE--TV movies this season, I guess it is no more incredible than the claims of those, who say that the UFO's are all piloted by "HEAVENLY CREATURES", who would never even harm a fly---even if the fly were about to make a landing, in his last bowl of soup, and he was starving to death.

Anyway, the nights are long and lonely this time of the year in Wyoming---and Mr. Lamb loves to write. So anyone interested in a PEN PAL, with rather unusual ideas on UFO's (to say the least) can write William C. Lamb, at P. O. Box 845, Newcastle, Wyoming.

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WOULD MARTIANS OBEY "METALAW"SPACE LAWYER WOULD REJIGGER THE GOLDEN RULE

Washington--If you should ever get hailed into court by a Martian, chances are that not even the sharpest defense lawyer on earth could get you off the celestial hook.

In fact, you might even find yourself taking the rap for something that's not even a crime. But don't get the idea that you'd be getting framed by an ambitious Martian Dist. Attny., who's bucking for Interplanetary Governor.

It's just that he would have his own ideas about right and wrong. And what you might consider absolutely harmless might be listed on

Mars' legal statutes as a capital offense.

The possibility that a situation like this might someday contain more fact than fiction is causing rocket experts to toss in their sleep at night, as man gets closer to conquering the mysteries of outer space.

And the man most seriously concerned is outspoken 54-year-old Andrew G. Haley, general counsel for the American Rocket Society and its former President.

Haley insists that we are going to have to scrap our present legal system and replace it with "METALAW", if we have to start dealing with people from other planets. Metalaw, is a revolutionary new legal concept designed to govern relationships between beings of different natures.

Importance of this is readily evident when you remember that beings from other planets might completely blow their tops or suffer nervous breakdowns over situations that we consider quite trivial or even normal.

And what about the personal impression you would make? On earth you could be the most dignified, personable chap imaginable. But this is no guarantee that a Martian won't take you for a complete slob. For instance Haley notes that we don't even know how other beings would react to our body odor.

Because of these uncertainties, the rocket counsel urges future space travelers to strictly obey two important rules before ever landing on an inhabited planet:

(1) They must be absolutely sure that their visit will not harm either themselves or the natives.

(2) They must not land until invited.
(SAN ANTONIO NEWS, 1/17/58, Credit, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fly, Hondo, Texas.)

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Well now aren't the above "two important rules" very, very interesting?

Even we earthlings just starting out on our SPACE EXPLORATIONS already realize the extreme value of SPACE LAW, and its necessary rules and regulations.

Wouldn't other intelligent beings who have already mastered space travel--be aware of the necessity for such rules of conduct? Could not that be the reason---that THOSE INTELLIGENT BEINGS--now exploring this planet, have not openly landed? Explore---YES---land momentarily, or in out of the way places--YES--Maybe even contact an inhabitant now and then, to acquaint us with them gradually, and pave the way later for MASS CONTACT---"Anything is possible".

Here is an example for the necessity of METALAW--or its equivalent---Suppose a Spacecraft landed in your backyard. And suppose you

had not been too influenced by some of the weird "SCIENCE FICTION". So---you invited the occupants into your home---to show them your "EARTHLY HOSPITALITY".

And suppose your type of hospitality includes mixing a few highballs. Your guest, expecting only the best of intentions, imbibes in several---then the reactions start taking place.

It turns out that the "body chemistry" of your guest is considerably different than yours, and the alcohol, instead of only acting as a reliever of inhibitions---is to him a poison.

His companions---rushing their stricken confederate back to the spacecraft out in the back yard---head for home to file a claim with the proper authorities on Planet No. 4.

This is a case for "METALAW"---and not too complicated at that. Or it isn't now---what will happen when the legal beagels go to work on it,---is another thing. But as one of my lawyer friends said when he read the article, "I don't think I'm ready to specialize in the field of METALAW---not just yet."

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ARMSTRONG CIRCLE THEATER & KEYHOE CENSORSHIP

The most important aspect of the CBS, TV Program, UFO-THE ENIGMA OF THE SKIES, was the censorship of Major Keyhoe. It may not have seemed that way, at the time, but now, because of it, millions of Americans---who previously did not believe that there was such a thing, saw the censorship at work, before their very eyes.

You can be sure that Lt. Col. Spencer Wheaton, who presented the Air Force views was not the only AF Officer at CBS on the night of Jan. 22nd. Col. Wheaton, was the mouthpiece---but you can be sure, that there were AF Officers with the program director, and also in the control room.

AND when Major Keyhoe departed from the prepared script, and started out with the NICAP and Senate Investigations Committee bit, a HEAD shook NO, and a dial was turned down.

Here is what Keyhoe was saying when the censorship took place.

"I am now going to give you some information which has never before been made public. NICAP for the past six months has been working with the SENATE COMMITTEE, which is investigating secrecy in Government---regarding the present withholding of UFO information to the PUBLIC. When this report is made public it will prove beyond the shadow of a doubt---(this is where the sound was cut).

The situation was made even more ridiculous

by Mr. RICHARD E. HORNER, Ass't. Sect. of AF for Research and Development. He stuck to his script, saying that there is NO CENSORSHIP of UFO information, only minutes after KEYHOE had been censored, and his remarks---not permitted to be heard by the millions of Americans who sat watching their TV screens.

Must have been some red faces after that program. After all, how naive do they think the American people are?

Thank you, Major Keyhoe, for confusing them.

And this certainly seems like a good place to urge you to SUPPORT NICAP---Membership---\$7.50 per year, address 1536 Connecticut Ave., Washington 6, D. C.

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FLAWS IN THE MENZEL STORY

1. Prof. Menzel makes the statement, "that these PHENOMENA are strictly a scientific matter, and should be left to the scientists to investigate and explain. Yet when some of the best Scientists do investigate and come up with the opinion that UFO's are interplanetary spacecraft---Menzel refuses to accept their findings, so he does not even follow his own advice.

Some of the Scientists (only a few of which we shall list here) accepting the spacecraft theory are: Prof. Herman Oberth, Dr. Percy Wilkins, Dr. Clyde Tombaugh, Dr. James C. Bartlett, Dr. Seymour Hess, Col. Robert B. Emerson, (Nuclear Physicist), and Prof. Charles A. Maney.

2. THE MOON BRIDGE---He says that the bridge was first seen by an amateur (who is John J. O'Neil, Science Editor of the Herald Tribune). But he failed to tell that the bridge had also been reported by Dr. James B. Bartlett of Baltimore, Sir Patrick Moore, noted British Astronomer and Dr. Percy H. Wilkins, one time head of the Lunar Dept. of the British Astronomical Association, and author of the book called, "OUR MOON".

I wrote Prof. Menzel after the program, calling attention to some of these flaws, and received a letter from him, with this quotation about Wilkins and O'Neil, I quote, "For your information, Wilkins is an amateur astronomer, and the Science writer for the New York Herald Tribune; scarcely saw a sober moment during the last several years of his life," (UNQUOTE).

I do not know anything about the personal habits of Mr. O'Neil, but I do know that Dr. Percy Wilkins, is far from being an amateur.

Yes, he now heads an amateur British Astronomical Association. And the reason that he resigned in disgust from the Professional Astronomical Association, is because he disagreed

with some of the "old-fashioned" opinions which the members had regarding some of the strange things seen on the moon periodically. Opinions which would make Prof. Menzel feel right at home.

Also, Prof. Menzel failed to state that Dr. Wilkins had made his observation of the controversial bridge with a 33 inch telescope---and his 33 inch scope rather makes Menzel look like an amateur with his 15 incher at Harvard.

Furthermore the bridge was only reported for two months, and then was no longer seen. And as skeptical as Menzel is about anything NOT IN THE BOOKS AT HARVARD, he undoubtedly did not look at the area for at least six months and by then it was gone.

3. MENZEL suggests that we leave such things to the experts. According to his own suggestion, the Air Force---should be experts---at least on weather balloons. And the Air Force says that Mantell died chasing a Sky Hook Weather Balloon.

But Menzel says, that he does not believe that Mantell died chasing a weather balloon, nor does he believe that he died chasing a spaceship---but that Mantell died chasing a MOCK SUN. So Prof. Menzel himself---does not agree with the Air Force.

So in closing out this episode, I say this to you Prof. Menzel---the TRUE SCIENTISTS are the ones with the OPEN MINDS. And the ones with the open minds realize these days JUST HOW LITTLE we know about this Universe in which we live.

Your stand, Professor reminds me so much of the Scientist, Politicians and Religious leaders who sent Galileo to the dungeon, with the statement that "This cannot be". It is contrary to religion and science.

It also reminds me of the Honorable Professors of the French Academy of Sciences, in the early 1800's who unseated two of their members who believed that "stones fall from the sky". It was impossible---contrary to science.

But today we know that stones do fall from the sky, we call them meteorites.

Had you been in his shoes---in 1945---I am sure that you would have said of the ATOM BOMB just as Admiral Leahy did, who was then Chief of Staff to the President of the United States.

"This is the biggest fool thing we have ever done. The bomb will never go off---and I speak as an EXPERT ON EXPLOSIVES". (Unquote).

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Adios, Prof. Menzel---like Rip Van Winkle---may you sleep on---and pleasant dreams!

NEEDLESS SECRECY SLOWS RESEARCH

Testifying before the House Government Information subcommittee the other day, Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner, one of Pres. Eisenhower's science advisors, said that 90% of the scientific data classified by the Government as "SECRET" could safely be made public.

Dr. Berkner, who is president of the Associated Universities and of the International Council of Scientific Unions, remarked that the nation might some day find itself fighting a war with papers marked "SECRET" instead of the weapons we need. He urged that the National Science Foundation be permitted to determine what few types of information should be kept secret.

Dr. Berkner really floored the congressmen when he was asked to give some instances of unnecessary secrecy. Regulations, he said, prevented him from stating what secret matters shouldn't be kept secret.

But another witness gave an illuminating example. He was Dr. Wallace R. Brode, science advisor to the Secretary of State.

A report of work done by an ordnance officer on the use of bows and arrows in warfare is stamped "SECRET", Dr. Brode told the committee.

The work was done by Col. Rene R. Studler, (ret), an expert in small weapons. During World War II he directed experimental work on more efficient bows and arrows for possible use in jungle warfare.

There you have it. That secrecy stamp prevents the Russians from ever learning how to make a better bow and arrow. We ought to feel a lot safer about that. (Credit, Miami Daily News, Jan. 25, 1958).

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(Ed. Note)---Now let's not be hasty---let's examine this bow and arrow business. Suppose we had a World War III, and it were an atomic war, as it could very well be.

And suppose that 90% of the population were destroyed---on both sides of the IRON CURTAIN. IF, the 10% left---still wanted to continue the fight---and there were no other weapons it could be very important that we have a better bow and arrow than the Russians.

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HEADLINES--THE NEWS IN CAPSULE FORM

1. Democrats Demand Nuclear Ship For the Race to the Moon.
2. University of California set up SPACE SCHOOL.
3. "University of Mexico starts COURSE in SPACE LAW".
4. 9000 Scientists from 44 Nations Petition UN to Stop Nuclear Tests At Once.

5. LOCH NESS MONSTER, UP says Ray Bain saw it in Scotland Lake just before Christmas, 30 ft. long, snake-like head out of water, tearing along so fast he couldn't keep up with it. ~~Ray Bain was a skeptic---NOT NOW.~~

6. Navy Scientists plan TV Telescopes on 500 mile high SPACE PLATFORM.

7. GHOST SPUTNIK over U.S. at times when real SPUTNIK was on other side of Earth! SCIENTISTS PUZZLED.

8. THE WEATHER RACE---There is a World Race on to control the Weather. Report Russia is engaged in SECRET RESEARCH.

9. SEA LEVEL near Point Barrow, Alaska, rising at regular intervals---Not related to the TIDES. U. S. and Russia watching---IGY studying this MYSTERY.

10. SCHMIDT, Kearney, Nebraska, man who claimed contact with Spacecraft---now SUEING--after being railroaded into and out of a MENTAL INSTITUTION. (Watch for more on this.) (Credit for above NEWS HEADLINES---The Little Listening Post, 4811 Illinois Avenue, Washington, D. C.).

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And then came the biggest HEADLINE of all--

UNITED STATES LAUNCHES EARTH SATELLITE

Cape Canaveral, Florida--10:48 pm on Jan. 31, Army Jupiter C Missile Roars off the Launching Pad, gathers speed and heads for the WIDE-BLUE YONDER.

All of America can SMILE AGAIN--the SPUTNIKS have company.

And this writer is particularly happy that it was the Jupiter C---which did the job. Now all should realize that Co. Nickerson--was right last year in his battle to save the Jupiter Missile from being given only a minor role in our missile program.

So I say again--to you PENTAGONIANS--bring Col. Nickerson---back to Huntsville, Alabama--or back to the Pentagon. We need his brains up here. Not in EXILE in the Panama Canal Zone---inspecting BOILERS. (How long--Oh Lord--How Long)

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SPACE STATION, program on WMIE, has now gone to half hour on Saturday nights at 11:00. The station likes the idea of the program. And I wish to thank all who have mailed cards and letters to the Station.

The job is now half done. Time we can get. The station management will give me more time, if we can get the sponsors for the program. Many of you have yet to write that card to the station. Do it now---with stacks of cards it will be no problem to get sponsors. If the

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mail does not show ample public interest, sponsors cannot be blamed for passing up the program. So its up to you UFO fans in the Miami area, whether or not you want this type of "LONG JOHN" program. We need those cards to toss on potential sponsors desks--NOW--not six months from now. If you haven't the time or energy to write a postcard---just remember---I could just as well sleep Saturday nights myself. (Your Ed.)

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REAL REASON FOR THE ANTARTIC EXPLORATIONS

You have heard many explanations WHY all nations of the world are now so interested in the Antartic. Other than exploration and mapping of the last remaining unexplored region of our planet, these reasons have been advanced.

1. Search for minerals and natural resources which our industries could use to very good advantage.

2. Keep a check on the build-up of ice at the South Pole, which if it continues unchecked could eventually cause the earth to tilt on its axis, and cause a great natural catastrophe, as could have been the cause for the Great Flood at the time of Noah.

3. Possibility of our UFO visitors from space having a base on unexplored sections of the great Antartic Continent.

But the most important is not so commonly known. Here it is, as written by Frank Edwards of WTTV, Indianapolis, Indiana, and carried in the latest edition of CSI, of New Zealand:

"Perhaps you have noticed the unusual interest which the major nations are evincing in both the Artic and the Antartic. Costly expeditions are being sent into those frigid wastes and kept there for long periods. WHY? Gathering data, you are told. WHY? For scientific purposes. Our long and expensive interest in the Antartic could hardly be attributed to the hope that

there are minerals there which may someday repay us. The motivating force must be something more substantial, as you undoubtedly realize. "You will find your answer in the fact that man is getting ready to venture into space where he will be forced to live under conditions which probably are closely akin to those at the South Pole. There will be no time for experiment once man has landed on the moon---or on Mars. The basic problems must be already solved---in the biting cold of the polar regions. Huts, food, machines and methods of survival must be tested and developed here, if our space travellers are to live through their flights. This work is underway now at the South Pole.

"Because these numerous projects are reported to the public in bits and pieces they re seldom assembled, jigsaw fashion, to present a complete and true picture. There is little that is hap-hazard about the rocket engineering, antartic tests, radio telescopes and space medicine projects. They are sketchily reporting bits of a fantastic whole. Trying to understand them is like trying to see an outdoor movie through the cracks in a fence as you ride by on a bicycle. (Credit Frank Edwards and CSI of New Zealand, Howard H. Fulton, Editor).

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Your Editor wishes to apologize to all those who have recently written and we have been unable to acknowledge their kind letters. Can only hope that this note will explain. As Len Stringfield once told me, it is physically impossible to answer each letter personally. In my case there is the pressure of business, with many evening appointments, public speaking engagements, publishing this monthly bulletin and now a weekly radio program. Somethings gotta give, so please forgive, if it turns out to be the correspondance.