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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 month of May saw a decrease in sighting reports over the preceeding months of 1959. How long this will last of course is anyone's guess. What with warm weather in the northern hemisphere, and more people out in the wide open spaces, there will be more opportunity to see UFO's if they are around.

And up on Long Island a man was out in the open spaces of his garden and had a close call with a 20 lb. chunk of ice.

FROST IN HIS GARDEN FELL IN ONE BIG HUNK

Smittown, L. I., New York--At 11:20 a.m.

Sunday, May 10, a 67-year-old retired hospital attendant, Adam Demling, was puttering in his garden at 602 Meadow Rd. Suddenly, Demling heard a tremendous roar, "like the blast of a cannon". When he turned around he saw an egg-shaped block of ice less than 30 feet away, partially buried in the ground. Close examination, showed that the chunk of broken ice was about 35 inches long 15 inches thick and weighed close to 20 lbs.

There seemed no doubt that the ice actually had fallen from the sky. Several neighbors heard the crash, and police reports verified this. But Demling insisted that he neither saw nor heard a plane at the time of the incident.

But weathermen and Air Force officials could offer no explanation other than that the ice had fallen from a plane. (NEWSDAY, May 11, 1959, Credit, Gladys Fusaro, ICARF, Huntington, L.I.)

Gladys Fusaro, contacted Mr. Demling by phone and came up with the following additional information: (Quotes are Adam Demling's).

"The ice had broken into 3 pieces. It was completely solid, one side was white, like snow and the other side was like a looking glass, and there were 'SPIKES' on the sides like icicles. It had no marks of an exhaust or other pipe on it.

"I picked some up and was surprised because it did not feel COLD, not like ice does, and it just evaporated in my hand, but left no WATER. My hand just felt damp.

"Some dogs from near by came over to it, they licked it once or twice and they **DID NOT LIKE IT**, they turned away from it. There were no planes in the area at the time it fell from the sky. After about 4 and a half hours, the stuff was gone, so I covered the hole up. I never saw or heard of such a thing happening in all my life."

Ed. Note. The newspapers and the AF say-- **PLANES---**immediately. If you do not have the correct answer to a problem, give an explanation that will satisfy the **MOST PEOPLE**. That's the best policy---**OR IS IT???**

To whom did these planes belong???

May 21, 1851---Pieces of ice "as large as pumpkins fell at Bangalore, India

May 3, 1877----Pieces of ice so large they killed sheep fell from the sky over Texas.

ROW REPORTED OVER JULIANA BID TO "SPACE PROF"

LONDON (UPI) Queen Juliana's refusal to cancel her invitation to George Adamski, self-styled American space professor, to visit her has started another Dutch royal row, a London paper reported.

The newspapers' Amsterdam correspondent reported that top government officials were making an all-out bid to have the invitation cancelled.

He said the officials feared the meeting between the queen and Adamski, who claims he's flown to the moon and Venus, would revive the anxiety the public felt in 1956 over the queen's meeting with faith healer Greet Hofmans.

The present row has been kept secret 10

days he said.

"But the queen has consistently ignored all advice. Prince Bernard, court officials and cabinet ministers have all been told: "The invitation stands," the newspaper said.

Throughout the crisis the Dutch press had kept discreet silence, but that it now has received the green light and has published sarcastic references to Adamski.

"Perhaps this will help her to see that this man is nothing but a crank," the London paper's correspondent added. (Credit STARS & STRIPES, Service Magazine---thanks to our AF correspondent in Spain.)

In Texas, the DALLAS MORNING NEWS, a very liberal minded sheet when it comes to saucers carried this editorial on May 19, 1959:

JULIANA'S GUEST

Texans have little patience with the wave of criticism in the Dutch press of Queen Juliana's guest list, notably the 68 year-old Californian who claims to make regular flying saucer trips to Mars.

California is so full of amazing folks that we have long since learned not to laugh at them---except of course Bob Hope and other professional comedians of Hollywood. You never know when one of them will turn up as a champion swimmer in the desert or as Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

The press, which glories in the fact that it meets so many interesting people, should be the last to begrudge royalty one last privilege. (Credit Liz Borries, Irving, Texas.)

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ITALIAN BELIEVES IN SPYING SAUCERS

MILAN, Italy (UPI)--Venus and Mars are spying on us, says Italian flying saucer expert Alberto Perego.

In a recent address here, Dr. Perego said he believed there were 3,000 flying saucers from Mars and Venus continually hovering around European and Italian skies.

Perego, president of the Italian Study Center for Electromagnetic Aviation, illustrated his statement with photographs purportedly showing mysterious flying objects in Italian skies.

He recently claimed that a flying saucer hovered over Vatican City at about the time Pope John XXIII was elected in the October 28 conclave. (Dallas MORNING NEWS, Cr. Liz Borries).

FIRST MAN ON THE MOON WILL BE A ROBOT

WASHINGTON---The first American man on the moon will probably be a space-age version of the tin woodsman.

Scientists expect a robot to get to the moon before the flesh-and-blood space men. And here's how they visualize the robot's activities on the moon.

He will shuffle across the uneven surface of the moon on aluminum feet.

Images will be sent to the earth by his television camera eyes.

Delicate instruments protected by his metal rib cage will transmit valuable information.

He will learn about the moon's atmosphere, temperature range, and the depth of the layer of dust. Also whether or not this dust is literally hopping with electricity.

The robot will be an ideal explorer, immune to thirst and hunger. He will be able to withstand radiation and great changes in temperature and pressure.

This metal man won't be beset by emotions of fear and loneliness as he wanders over the silent wastelands of the moon.

Time will have no meaning for him, for he will work 24 hours a day, and days on end. Until one day his batteries will run down and he will settle forever beside a lunar outcropping. There will be no problem of bringing him back. (NEWARK STAR LEDGER, May 5, 1959, Credit Geo. Van Hecke, Westfield, N. J.)

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WHAT?????--NO SPACE SUITS???

Dr. Hubertus Strughold, of the School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph Field, Texas believes that if space ships land in the "lowlands" of Mars-3,000 to 5,000 feet below the general surface of the planet---man could survive for short periods using only a pressure-breathing oxygen mask. (Credit MISSILES & ROCKETS, May 11 issue)

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HARVARD ASTRONOMER BACKS "LIFE ON MARS" THEORY

WASHINGTON (UPI) Dr. G. De Vaucouleurs, of the Harvard College Observatory, discussed what is known of Mars and Venus at a space exploration symposium conducted by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the American Physical Society.

But said Dr. De Vaucouleurs, it will be "at least several decades" before man can verify that Mars is the habitat of living things.

Astronomers have long believed that organic matter, probably primitive plants of some sort may grow on Mars. De Vaucouleurs said that a Harvard colleague, Dr. William M. Sinton, has found spectrographic support for this belief. He said Sinton discovered "absorption bands characteristic of heavy organic molecules--- in the infra-red spectrum of the dark regions of Mars." (Newark STAR LEDGER, April 30, 1959, Credit George Van Hecke, Westfield, N. J.)

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OTIS T. CARR QUIZZED ON STOCK SALES

Oklahoma City, May 5, 1959. -- Otis T. Carr and his associates were questioned by County Officials to determine whether state securities laws had been violated.

Carr testified at length concerning his company and the sale of "options to buy stock", but denied that any such stock has been offered for sale on the open market.

"We don't intend to be hasty", said County Attorney James W. Berry. "The county attorney's office is primarily interested in the stock sale angle and not in the performance of the OTC-X1."

Carr discussed the flying saucer's promotion but shied away from the stock sales questions. He took the fifth amendment on several occasions. Carr held whispered conversations with his attorney Hubert Gibson when questioned about the collecting of funds to finance the space ship. (The DAILY OKLAHOMAN, May 5, 1959, Credit Jim Maney, Oklahoma City and Gladys Fusaro, New York, Dirs. ICARF.)

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(Ed. Note)--Taking the fifth amendment looks bad for Otis T. Carr. Whether a success or a failure, Carr can expect to be investigated. That would be par for the course in a situation such as this. So here at S.P.A.C.E. headquarters we are willing to wait for further evidence before either condemning or condoning.

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UFO ACTIVITY OVER SPAIN

With the Air Force in Spain is an Airman 3/Class, a radio operator who is serving as our Spanish correspondant.

Under the dateline of May 19, 1959 he writes, "Since I have been here, I have noticed quite a bit of UFO activity in the area around Madrid. One afternoon I saw a flight of three objects moving across the sky over Paracuellos village, near where I work in the mountains. Occasionally I sight what appears to be saucers hovering over the field at high altitude. I know what aircraft are flying in the area at the time, and I am sure that these objects are craft from outer space."

(Ed. Note--Needless to say, to protect our correspondant and his welfare in the Air Force he must remain anonymous.)

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10,000 YR. OLD MUMMIES FOUND IN MEXICAN CAVE-PERFECTLY PRESERVED

HERMOSILLO, Mexico--(AP) Thirty perfectly preserved mummies which may be more than 10,000 years old have been discovered in a deep cave in eastern Sonora state.

"It is the most important discovery yet made in the history of the northern culture of the country," said Luis Encinas, director of the University of Sonora.

A group of surveyors found the mummies in the Sahuaripa region of the Yecora Mountains, about 180 miles south of Douglas, Arizona.

The cave was 600 feet deep and had been sealed with a hugh rock. It was in wild, rough terrain, reachable only on foot or by horseback. (Credit, Miami HERALD, May 17, 1959.)

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This is certainly the age of discovery. As the frontiers of space, are ever moved forward, also the barriers of time are moved backward. The antiquity of man on this planet is much greater than was believed possible only a few decades ago. And the science of archeology is still only a baby---a mere 75 years old. What gems have we yet to discover?

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THE END OF THE KILLIAN CASE???

The last we had on the American Airlines sighting of three UFO's on the flight from Newark to Detroit on Feb. 24th was that Capt. Killian had been "silenced". Our New Jersey contact, who has been following this for S.P.A.C.E. has this to say:

"We contacted his employers and the inuendo here was that the Company had to maintain good relations with officialdom, hence Killian was asked to not publicize so controversial a subject. The Captain is disgusted to say the least. The papers here carried three different "explanations" by the Air Force of what was seen, but none of these suited Killian. As an amateur astronomer he knows Orion from the rest of the constellations. He never drinks prior to a flight, and he certainly can recognize a jet-refueling operation.

"In addition, a jet-refueling operation should never have been carried on in an air corridor designated for public commercial aviation in the first place, if such was the case, which I strongly doubt."

George Van Hecke
Westfield, N. J.

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(Cheer up--George, the man on the street is a gullible creature willing to believe almost anything--even three official explanations--all different! Tsk--Tsk.

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WAIT UNTIL INVITED

Mr. Arthur G. Haley, President of the International Astronautical Federation said in Washington that Earth space ships should not gate-crash on to any planet which might have intelligent life, but should wait till the inhabitants invite them to land.

(Ed. Note) Yes, it would appear that would be the intelligent, sensible course of action. Hm-mm--Wonder why then is it, that the world Governments here on this planet have not yet invited those extra-terrestrial space craft currently exploring and traversing our skies to LAND. Wonder why???

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In the past six weeks, UFO reports here in the States have dwindled to a mere trickle. This happens periodically, and from some of the mail from readers that all Editors receive, it would appear that the various editors are directly responsible. When they are not around we cannot report them. At times such as this it is a good idea to inform the readers of foreign reports which, while not exactly current, may still be news to many. Here are some of the better foreign reports:

DOME SHAPED CRAFT TAKES OFF FROM FARMERS FIELD IN AUSTRALIA

Woomera rocket range scientists are investigating reports from Purnong, 90 miles north-east of Adelaide, of eerie sky lights and strange happenings in recent weeks.

Percy Briggs, carrier, and Carl Towill, postmaster at nearby Claypans, said that at 2:10 a.m. on March 13, 1959, they saw a huge dome-shaped craft similar to a spaceship, take off from a farmer's field.

Briggs added that they first saw the thing sitting on the ground like a huge brightly-lit circus tent. They felt something inside the craft was watching them. When they were 200 yards away, the thing shot upwards into the sky. (Credit British FLYING SAUCER REVIEW).

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SAUCER LANDING IN SCOTLAND???

This amazing incident happened in November 1958, when the Territorial Army were on a week-end exercise. This particular exercise took place a few miles outside the village of Tarland which is about 60 miles from Aberdeen.

When the exercise got underway, two young soldiers were left to guard a small hilltop for several hours. They had full equipment with them and had also dug a trench to lie in.

It was sometime in the very early hours of the morning, when the first rays of the sun appeared over the eastern horizon that they heard a strange "gurgling" sound coming from behind some trees only a few hundred yards from their position.

As the noise persisted, they decided to investigate. They started to walk towards the trees. Then suddenly, two large figures came stumbling towards them.

As the two boys stood, rooted to the spot with fear, they noticed that the beings were at least seven to eight feet tall, and that the "gurgling" sound was caused by the two strangers talking to each other in a guttural tongue.

The beings were dressed rather peculiarly and found difficulty in walking across the rough hilltop.

The two young soldiers turned and fled down the hillside to the main Tarland road to seek civilization. On reaching the road they headed for a small hut which was temporarily housing a few Post Office engineers. As they ran along the road, one of the boys turned to see what was causing a "swishing" noise behind them. They saw a huge brilliant object, disc-shaped, coming up behind them down the road and only a few feet off the ground. The lads started to run as fast as they could do so, and then the large craft swooped up over their heads, pulsating, and leaving a shower of sparks in its wake. It disappeared from their sight.

The boys arrived at the hut and thumped on the door for someone to let them in. The engineers took the two boys in and made them rest for a while. Naturally, they were considerably shaken by their experience.

The engineers then questioned them and made out a report. The two boys are residents of Tarland, and one is believed to work in Aberdeen. Two days after the incident, the boys are reported to have been interrogated by representatives from the War Office. (Credit British FLYING SAUCER REVIEW).

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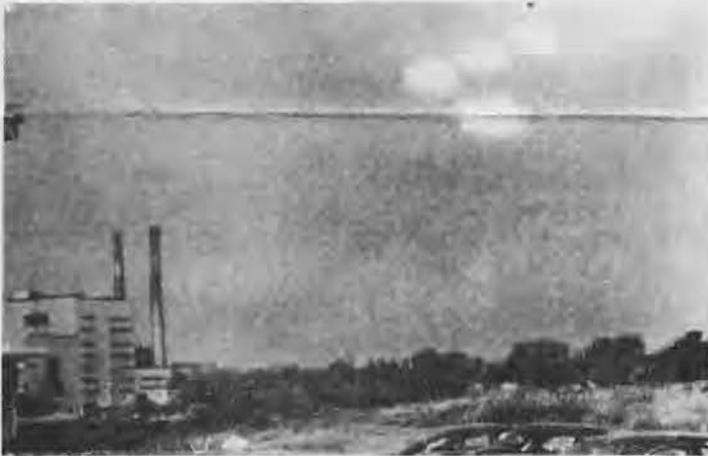
INDOCTRINATION AT THE ELEMENTARY LEVEL

While Father and Mother may have their doubts about flying saucers, and Grandpa and Grandma are sure the younger generation have all flipped, their school children in the Elementary Schools are being taught slyly about UFO's. In the June 8-12, 1959 issue of MY WEEKLY READER, appeared an article entitled "WE'LL SOON BE SEEING FLYING SAUCERS".

The article went on to tell the old story of 10 years of Air Force investigations, and that the AF has been able to explain most all

of them. HOWEVER, we will soon be seeing the REAL THING---since we are now making disc shaped craft ourselves. Then followed a short description of our research into flying models of this configuration. But the real subtle indoctrination was the photograph at the bottom of the page. It showed the 1952 Salem, Mass., Coast Guard Photograph with the following caption:

FLYING SAUCERS---A Coast Guard photographer at Salem, Mass., got out his camera when he saw strange lights in the sky. Here is the picture he took.



To your Editor this is an important step toward future acknowledgements. The editors of MY WEEKLY READER, know that their students in Elementary School are capable of thinking for themselves, and will be able to see that the objects in the photograph are nothing like the objects in the photographs depicting our own efforts in developing saucer shaped craft.

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The following story is not vouched for by S.P.A.C.E. It may or may not be true. However it was run in a respectable news sheet, the Niagara Falls EVENING REVIEW. It was then in turn carried by SAUCERS, SPACE & SCIENCE of Toronto, Canada. After the newspaper article appeared, Mr. Cyril Rickers of the Niagara Falls area went to Port Colborne to interview the man in question. Here is the story in detail:

CLAIMS HIS ANCESTORS WERE FROM ANOTHER PLANET
SAYS THAT MARTIAN MADE LANDING HERE
PREPARES SPACE MACHINE AT PORT COLBORNE

Port Colborne--(STAFF)--In this town lives a man, who claims to be a descendant of ancestors from other planets, to have met spacemen within a few miles of here and to be preparing a flying machine that will take him into space. He boasts a badge showing him to be a member of the police force of the planet of Mars. He works now assembling the parts of the device

that he says will take him out of the earth's orbit.

Johann Purchalski, 38, works in a small house with little light but claims to be a scientist of great ability and is described by some local people as an intellectual. He asserts that he has evidence of spacemen landing on this earth for the last 100 years and that they arrive here from other planets including Mars and live among us to be detected only by a few. Among them, he states, were his own grandparents.

"What does a spaceman look like?" asked our reporter.

"He is usually of medium build, around 5 feet 2 inches, has very large, but kind eyes, walks just the same as humans and dresses in a felt looking type of material. They breathe very heavy," stated Mr. Purchalski.

On mentioning the fact that hardly anyone has actually stated that they had seen a spaceman, Mr. Purchalski said, "It was during the winter of 1936 that a saucer type object was seen over Port Colborne and I followed it later to find the object, which would be described as a space ship, had come down in one of the fields. It was then that I was introduced to the people inside who had told me that they did not wish to cause any harm to any of the earth people. After they showed me some of their many articles in their machinery, I left. I was also given a badge by them. This badge is made of a metal material and states that it was owned by a member of the Planet Mars Police Force in the main city called Marsopolis, all this is inscribed on the badge.

Since this first meeting with spacemen, Mr. Purchalski claims that he has travelled over almost every part of this world including Russian areas such as Moscow, and he names many places where it is known that spacemen have landed.

He states that, when he was in Austria, he had to destroy many things that would have proven his meeting with such people.

Mr. Purchalski expects to have his flying machine, which is of a twin rotor type using a special kind of fuel for starting, and then switching over to another fuel when the height of the machine gets to a certain level, ready to take him into space later this summer.

The material he is using is all nickel and he estimates that the cost will be in the region of \$100,000. He has the parts and it is at present in the stage of assembly. Mr. Purchalski was asked if he felt that people will be able to go to the moon or other planets in the near future. He said, "No, they

won't. The different governments from all over the world are trying to send rockets up there and none of them will succeed, they do not know how to make rockets well enough for them to be directed in the proper manner. On the other hand, if someone was asked to go, I would offer on the condition that I build my own rocket ship, because I have been told how to do it by those who know." (The Niagara Falls Evening Review, Friday, February 6, 1959)

Mr. Cyril Rickers, area reporter for the Niagara region, visited Mr. Purchalski and gives us this additional information.

Johann Purchalski lives alone, his mother having died 12 months ago. They came from Austria and had spent some time in Ottawa, Ontario, where Johann had some schooling. I further learned that many people in the neighborhood find it hard to comprehend Johann when he starts talking about ancient civilizations, the Incas, Egyptians, Romans, English, as well as outer space to the corner boys. To look at him you immediately notice there is something different, his eyes, ears and face, and he is only five feet two inches tall. His mother was also a small person. After putting him at ease, he brought out the machine and explained the construction and operation to me.

Essentially it has a center column supported on a tripod which is the landing gear fitted with small wheels. About two feet up from the ground is a seat and fitted with safety straps. Immediately behind the column are two fuel tanks for high octane liquid fuel, which is fed to a sort of mixer and in turn to the two jets, one at each end of the two blade horizontal propellers which rotates atop the center column. I asked him how does he know it will work and he replied, "I have already made a similar machine and it flies." He showed me a photograph of this first machine surrounded by a group of people at St. Catharines, where the picture was taken on landing after a flight from Port Colborne at a height of about 500 feet. This first machine was made of aluminum but the blades were not strong enough and the jet combustion chambers would not stand the heat, he said, being of aluminum. The new machine is constructed of nickel with jet bodies of monel to take the high temperatures. The propellers will turn at about 5,000 r.p.m. he said. A plastic helmet with oxygen supplied from cylinders will be used for high altitude flying he stated. I asked him about the badge of a police space pilot, which he showed me. On one side is his name and capital of Mars which he told me has a population of about 4

million people. On the other side is a representation of Mars with its two moons. I asked him if he had lived on Mars and he said yes, for two and a half years. I then asked him what those lines were that can be seen on Mars, and he said water courses which get the water from the polar ice caps. He volunteered the statement that Mars is troubled with sand storms and the capital city is covered over with a sort of transparent roofing. He has several pictures on the wall which he states were taken on Mars, one is of a police space patrol craft, another of a disabled spacecraft being hauled by a large horse with two small men, one on the horse and the other on the craft. There is another of himself in a flying suit standing by a space ship, also on Mars, he said. The new machine is about 85% completed, I would say, and is of the best workmanship and must have cost a pile of money. He hopes to finish it this summer. He supervises work in various shops to conceal identity of the working parts.

I remarked about the weight of the new machine and he said try and lift it, I could just move it but he had no trouble at all. He states he can lift 300 lbs. easily. I asked him if he knew George Adamski and he said no. He does not appear to know much of what is going on in our skies these last few years, but seems to be living in a world of his own. I asked him where he gathered his knowledge from, and he said from my father and others. He has knowledge of spacecraft landing on this Earth, but this is some years ago and he is not inclined to talk about it. His own visitation to Mars must have been before 1936, the year he came to this part of Canada. Neighbors who have known him intimately for the past twelve years say he has not changed in looks or age in that time.

There seems to be a little mystery surrounding the man and I am inclined to think that he is an outcropping of the remote past and there may be some connection with another race of people, with knowledge and legends still hanging in the family minds.

During the last world war he was flying a private plane and in 1944, he evidently was driving a 12 cylinder Cadillac car, I saw his vehicle permit.

(Credit---SAUCERS, SPACE & SCIENCE, Gene Duplantier, Ed., Toronto, Canada)

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MYSTERY OF THE B-24 BOMBER IN THE SAHARA DESERT

WASHINGTON, June 6-(AP) The Sahara Desert has cast up a mystery as deep and baffling as any recorded in the annals of the sea.

A World War II B-24 bomber which had a

crew of nine has been found in the waterless waste of Libya, 380 miles south of Bangazi. It was last seen 16 years ago when it took off from a Libyan base for a bombing raid on Naples, Italy.

The bomber lies on the sand, preserved almost perfectly in the hot, arid desert air. Although its fuselage was snapped in two at the tail, the plane appears undamaged otherwise. Its radio still is in working order.

There is not a trace of the crewmen who flew off on that mission in 1943. No clothing, no written records.

Water bottles, tightly capped, were found still filled in the cabin of the plane. Had the crew crash-landed in the desert and started to walk out to civilization, surely they would have taken all available water with them.

If they had been killed in the landing which caused so little damage to the plane, their remains would be there.

Did the crew all bail out somewhere else, as the Pentagon thinks is likely? Then how did the plane fly on for hundreds of miles to let down in a soft landing in the desert? And why apparently did none of the crew survive?

Ruford L. Moore of Portsmouth, Ohio, father of one of the crewmen, said he received a letter in 1946 from the War Department, saying the plane was returning from the bombing mission when it lost radio contact with its base and was presumed down in the Mediterranean. Did the crew bail out over the sea for some reason while the plane flew on safely south? (Credit MIAMI DAILY NEWS, June 6, 1959)

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Since the initial announcement on the B-24, there have been no further press releases. Your Editor has talked with a number of his pilot friends and from their opinions has come to the conclusion that, while possible for the B-24 to continue on alone set on the Automatic Pilot, and with no one at the controls, make a nearly perfect landing, it would certainly be an extreme long shot. But long shots do sometimes pay off, so we will accept the Pentagon theory, but at the same time keep an open mind toward the other long shot explanation.

Remember during this time of World War II, the "FOO FIGHTERS", the glowing lights that followed our planes, and the German planes also, were confusing both Allied and German Intelligence Officers. These were undoubtedly extra-terrestrial craft observing this particular earth-type "blood-bath". And with men being lost continuously on both sides, who would miss a few specimens taken back with the extra-terrestrials????

If we accept this concept as the common-denominator for many of the missing people, aircraft, and ships and crews at sea, the case of the missing men on the B-24, and the soft landing in the desert, then this case slips into its niche alongside other mysteries of time and space. We shall review a limited number of them here:

BRITISH PILOTS LOST IN DESERT--1924

The source of information on this baffling case is the LONDON SUNDAY EXPRESS, of Sept. 21 and 28, 1924.

A plane, with Flight Lt. W. T. Day, and Pilot Officer B. R. Stewart, took off from British Headquarters in Mesopotami (now Iraq) for a reconnaissance flight over the desert. After time had elapsed, and the plane did not return to base a search was started.

After a search by plane and trucks the plane was found down in the desert. There was no sign of the men, and there seemed to be no troubles with the plane. The plane was still half-full of gas and was subsequently flown back to its base by other pilots.

However with the finding of the plane, the mystery was not solved by any means. There were tracks in the sand, where the two men had walked about the plane. Then there were two sets of tracks leading away from the plane and then on into the wastes of the desert. At some distance from the plane the tracks suddenly stopped as if the men had just walked off the surface of the planet.

At first it was thought that the men had been abducted by Bedouin tribesmen, who had covered their tracks, in an effort to confuse the would-be searchers. So a continuing search was made around the plane in ever widening circles, but no renewal of any tracks were found. Who could obliterate tracks indefinitely--and how do you obliterate tracks in the desert anyway, without causing more disturbance in the sand than you started out with???

So until today, this disappearance is still a mystery. And the tracks suddenly stopping in the sand to be continued nowhere else. How much like the strange disappearance of Oliver Larch from his farm yard outside of South Bend, Indiana, on Christmas Eve of 1889.

At 11:00 p.m. Oliver, was sent out by his mother to get two pails of water from the well in the back yard. Oliver never returned. He was heard to cry out, "HELP! HELP! THEY'VE GOT ME! HELP! HELP!". Upon rushing outside, his family and friends found no trace of

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Oliver, but found his tracks in the fresh snow leading out toward the well, and suddenly stopping, with one wooden pail on the ground at the end of the tracks. The other pail and Oliver have never been seen since.

And this is all a matter of record in the newspaper accounts of South Bend of 1889, and also in the records of the Police Department of that city.

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Was Sonny Desverges, the Boy Scout Leader, of West Palm Beach, Florida in the process of being "kidnapped" by extra-terrestrials, on the night of August 19, 1952, while searching for the light he and his scouts had seen in the palmetto thicket along the Old Military Trail outside of West Palm Beach. But due to frantic efforts to escape and the hacking at the craft above him with his machete, Desverges remained on this planet. Remained on this planet, to suffer a fate, possibly worse than had he gone along with his supposed abductors. He suffered the fate of ridicule, disbelief and ostracism of his Government and of his fellow man because he dared to tell of his experience, which supposedly is contrary to the accepted norm.

And what happened to the 12 persons aboard the Marie Celeste, a sailing vessel loaded with cargo, found adrift 300 miles off the coast of Portugal on December 4, 1872???

No sign of trouble, no sign of mutiny, no damage to the ship, no unusual incidents in

the ship's log to leave a clue. Just 12 people disappeared just as if they had walked off the face of the earth. AND maybe they did at that!

Exploring crews of EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL spacecraft-----could be the common-denominator-----that makes all these strange cases fit into the same pattern. Those we have enumerated here are but a few of the MANY SUCH CASES.

Your Editor firmly believes that this fact is one of the reasons for Governmental caution in not proclaiming all they know of the UFO situation to the public. NOT ALL visiting UFO's are looking out for earthman's best interests. Some may view inhabitants of this planet as "Fair Game" so to speak, to be picked off, for scientific curiosity, or any number of other reasons too numerous to mention here.

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