

BULLETIN: OUR ANONYMOUS WEST COAST CORRESPONDENT REPORTS THAT "DICK" MILLER, WHO ALLEGEDLY HAS BEEN RECEIVING MESSAGES FROM SPACE PEOPLE, HAS VANISHED. ACCORDING TO THIS USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE, MILLER CANNOT BE LOCATED. MILLER'S SOLAR CROSS FOUNDATION, WHICH HAD BEEN SUPPLYING TAPE RECORDINGS OF SPACE MESSAGE, HAS BEEN ABANDONED. READERS OF THE BULLETIN WHO ARE NOT ADVERSE TO THINKING, PROBABLY CAN FIGURE OUT FOR THEMSELVES WHAT HAPPENED TO MILLER.

THE INSIDE OF THE "LONDON STORY": Since newspapers and radio carried stories about scientists who were supposed to have received messages from space, THE BULLETIN has been deluged with inquiries. First we heard about this was from Henry Maday, who "stopped the show" at a banquet in Detroit, which was in celebration of the organization of The Michigan Flying Saucer Federation (remind us to tell you more about this). Maday had heard the message and recounted it briefly to the excited audience, and upon arriving back in Clarksburg the next morning your Editor checked the radio newswires. The wire story that had started the excitement is quoted as it came off the teletype:

"LONDON -- You can scoff if you like, but a group of Britons is convinced flying saucers do exist.

"What's more, they believe the saucers come from other planets. And they are so sure, they are planning to meet with the saucer passengers.

"The British space fans disclosed their attitude at a meeting in London last night. An American electronics engineer, Kenneth McKellar, brought a series of tape recordings of what he called an earlier 'radio contact' with the saucer passengers.

"The seven recordings, each running from 30 to 40 minutes, allegedly described life on Mars, warned against atomic experiments and gave details of an interplanetary government. They also supposedly served notice that if the saucers are attacked, their passengers will defend themselves.

"McKellar's recordings apparently were made while the saucer allegedly was over California. The messages said the broadcasting saucer would return over Los Angeles at 10:30 p.m., November 7th.

"Said one of the space experts at the London meeting, Director Reginald Dutta of a bi-monthly space magazine: 'I am quite satisfied that the report is authentic....'

"And editor Michael Trench (obviously The Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench --Ed.) of the FLYING SAUCER REVIEW announced formation of 'an interplanetary friendship society.' He is busy issuing lapel identification buttons for the society's members so, as he put it, 'They (the saucer's passengers) will know we're NOT hostile when they come.'"

REASON SAUCERERS GOT SO EXCITED OVER THIS STORY was that it was misinterpreted to suggest that recognized scientific authorities had heard and recorded the space messages, and were confirming that fact officially. Unfortunately this was not the case and a little checking disclosed that the story originated from the experiments of Dick Miller, and that the space messages mentioned were on the tapes recorded and distributed by Miller.

It is with great pleasure that THE BULLETIN brings you an actual transcription of the somewhat famous message from "Mon-Ka," of Mars. This was played from tape on a program this spring over KPOC-TV, in Los Angeles. Miller was interviewed on the program, described a ride he had taken in a flying saucer. The tape of this broadcast, recorded for us by a West Coast correspondent, has lain around Saucerian Headquarters since Spring, but after the widespread interest we dug it out and went over it. At the end of the interview Miller plays the tape recorded message, allegedly from "Mon-Ka." Here is that message, as recorded by "Mon-Ka's" actual voice:

GREETINGS, PEOPLE OF EARTH. I AM MON-KA. I AM WHAT YOU WOULD CALL THE HEAD OF MY GOVERNMENT. I SPEAK TO YOU THIS EVENING FROM OUR STATION "KOR" ON THE PLANET WHICH YOU CALL MARS. I WISH TO STATE THE FOLLOWING. WE, OF THE SPACE CONFEDERATION, APPROACH YOUR PEOPLE IN DEEP AND REVERENT FRIENDSHIP. WE INTEND TO DO ALL THAT IS POSSIBLE TO AID YOU IN SCIENTIFIC AS WELL AS CULTURAL ADVANCEMENTS. WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO MAKE PROGRESS IN OUR CONTACTS AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH YOUR WORLD LEADERS AND HEADS OF GOVERNMENT; THEREFORE WE SPEAK NOW TO YOU THE PEOPLE OF EARTH. WE SHALL PROVE OUR REMARKS BY BRINGING ABOUT AN INCIDENT WHICH WILL FOREVER DISPEL ANY CLAIMS YOURS OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT COULD MAKE, THAT WOULD DENY OUR EXISTENCE. ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER 7, OF THIS YOUR YEAR, 1956, AT 10:30 P.M. YOUR LOCAL TIME, WE WISH YOU TO HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED UPON ONE OF YOUR COMMUNICATIONS STATIONS. AT THAT TIME, AT 10:30 P.M., WE REQUEST THAT THIS STATION REMOVE ITS CARRIER SIGNAL FROM THE AIR FOR A PERIOD OF TWO MINUTES. AT THAT TIME WE WILL SPEAK FROM OUR CRAFT, WHICH WILL BE STATIONED AT AN ALTITUDE OF

10,000 FT. OVER YOUR GREAT CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THIS SHIP WILL BE VISIBLE TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE AS IT WILL BE ILLUMINATED BY OUR FORCE FIELDS. WE DO NOT ADVISE YOUR MILITARY TO ATTEMPT TO HARM OR TO FORCE US TO LAND. THIS WOULD INDEED PROVE DISASTROUS TO THEM. WE WILL DO NOTHING BUT SPEAK TO YOU FROM OUR CRAFT AT THAT TIME. OUR VOICES WILL BE HEARD OVER YOUR TELEVISION AND RADIO COMMUNICATION CHANNELS. PEOPLE OF EARTH, IT IS TIME YOU KNEW THE TRUTH. WE, OF THE SPACE CONFEDERATION OF MANY INHABITED PLANETS, SOME WITHIN YOUR OWN SOLAR SYSTEM AND OTHERS THROUGHOUT THE GALAXIES, REACH YOU WITH THE HAND OF FRIENDSHIP EXTENDED, AND WITH THE LOVE AND THE LIGHT OF THE INFINITE CREATOR. YOUR PLANET IS NOT READY TO RECEIVE THE MESSAGE, THAT WHICH YOUR GREAT AVATAR SPOKE OF. MAY THE LIGHT OF THE INFINITE ONE BE WITH YOU ALWAYS, AND MAY WE, YOUR BROTHERS, SHARE THE GREAT WARMTH AND FRIENDSHIP OF PEACE, AND NOW, CO-EXISTENCE. I, MON-KA, OF THE MARTIAN COUNCIL, HAVE SPOKEN.

On the tape Mon-Ka sounds just like one would expect a spaceman to sound. The master of ceremonies on the program said he sounded "like the insidious Fu Manchu" of old time Charlie Chan movies. But whoever or whatever he reminded one of, one thing was certain: Mon-Ka had gone out on an interplanetary limb; on November 7th we was going to have to put up or shut up.

SAUCERERS WHO NOTE THE NOVEMBER 7TH DATE may have some guesses they can make. What, for example, if President Eisenhower, as Dick Miller claims, HAS actually been contacted by these space beings, and "has taken the matter under advisement"? November 6th is Election Day and the Republicans are running scared. Might not Eisenhower, on the eve of election day, announce that news, declaring that he was in command of the situation, and that it was best that he be continued in office? That is, if there were some doubt, and there IS, that he might not beat Stevenson? What would be more logical than Mon-Ka to broadcast a message the day after the election, after Eisenhower had been reelected, to quell any panic the statement might have created, and to offer additional information? An interesting THOUGHT, anyway.

TIME FOR COMMERCIAL DEPT.: By the time you read this we can supply Frank Edward's newest book, STRANGEST OF ALL (Citadel Press) at \$3.50 postpaid. This book contains many of the oddities and strange happenings the famous newshawk has collected during his years as a reporter who liked to dig out the inside facts. Book contains a chapter on saucers. SAUCERIAN Headquarters can also supply the first Edwardsbook, MY FIRST 10,000 SPONSORS, in hard cover at \$2.00.

DOMINICK C. LUCCHESI, one of the "heros" of our book, THEY KNEW TOO MUCH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS, is NOT shut up, as Moseley claims. We finally were able to reach him by telephone, after about two months of trying. "I have lots of things to talk over with you," he tells me, "but I'll have to come down there to do it." Latest word from August C. Roberts has it that Lucchesi was over to his house with his brother, who is an electronics engineer, with the story that they had a Hendershot-type of motor to show him. Augie couldn't go right then; am trying to find out more.

THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE ASKED ME TO SUPPLY back numbers of the former THE SAUCERIAN please take notice. I was able to locate a dealer to whom I had supplied copies of Issue #'s 1 and 2, discovered that the dealer still had copies. These I bought back, though a pity, at a premium price. We can supply these issues at 50¢ each. Number One is the Flatwoods Monster issue; Number Two contains the original Brush Creek, Calif., saucer story and the cover features the controversial drawing by Albert K. Bender. We found quite a number of these issues, so don't hesitate to send in.

APOLOGIES TO READERS who received the #9 BULLETIN unsealed. Due to vacations here we had a commercial mailing outfit mail that issue, and they made a mistake. Our policy is to send THE BULLETIN first class mail. THINGS-KEYHOE-MAY-HAVE-AN-EXPLANATION-FOR DEPT: An out-of-town saucerer whom we spent some time with the other evening told us of attending a Keyhoe lecture in Daytona Beach, Fla. After the lecture KEYHOE WAS PICKED UP "IN A BIG ARMY CAR," according to the informant.

HERE'S THE INSIDE ON WILKINS, Dr. H. Percy, that is, and not the saucerbookauthor.

In the last issue we hinted that he had broken away from the other "authorities" in England who didn't like his reporting of what he actually saw on the Moon. Here is his latest letter to SAUCERIAN headquarters:

"Dear Mr. Barker:

"First let me say that we would welcome you and your friends in this Society, and the leaflets will explain things.

"Because of opposition to my views I resigned from the British Astronomical Association. I have seen quite a number of strange things on the moon, such as glows and apparently new formations in regions I am familiar with. The best of it is that I have used very

large telescopes, including the 33 inch refractor at Meudon Observatory, France, the third largest refractor in the world. It was not possible for the critics to do much in face of this, but they concentrated on bitter personal and spiteful reviews of my books, especially the MYSTERIES OF SPACE AND TIME, in which the views are set out. In any case such things as the Lunar Section of a localised Society, such as the B.A.A. one, are now largely outmoded. What is wanted is an International body, free from petty spite and jealousy.

"Also it was not believed that I saw two UFO's while in the USA (at Charleston, W. Va. -- Ed.). I believe they were natural things and possibly of a military nature. But they looked strange and are reported in the book I have mentioned. I was not orthodox enough for the older people on the Council of the Association. But I believe in freedom of expression and the right of everybody to report what he sees. So I resigned and now have plenty to do in the formation of this new Society. We are now nearly 200 strong, and include many professionals, such as Urey of Chicago, Dollfus of France, Alter of Los Angeles, all interested in the moon, from different angles. And amateurs are also included. In the Journal will be reported what has been seen regardless of the 'status' of the author or whether it is 'orthodox' or not. In fact the truth at last.

"Thank you for writing and I trust you will enroll. I am confident that you will never regret it." (Signed H. Percy Wilkins)

DR. WILKINS doesn't make absolutely clear just what the enrollment fee is, but I believe there is none. Only charge is a subscription to the Journal (Send \$5.00). The address is: Dr. H. P. Wilkins, Pres., International Lunar Society, 35, Fairlawn Avenue, Bexleyheath, Kent, England.

We cannot help pausing to emphasize the great importance of the letter you have just read. It means a highly recognized professional astronomer, a man whose name carries great weight in scientific circles, is breaking with authority and is reporting THE TRUTH, regardless of consequences. Although Wilkins doesn't say he believes in popular conceptions of flying saucers, he DOES recognize their existence; he has seen them himself and has reported it. And our Moon may contain a lot of the answers we are seeking. We cannot help remembering what another Wilkins, saucerbookauthor H. T., said about the moon: that upon landing there our first explorers may be met by a welcoming committee.

LAST ISSUE WE REPORTED we had only a few of Jimmy Guieu (yep, that's the spelling, we checked this time--we pronounce it "Jimmy GOO" and hope we're right) book, FLYING SAUCERS COME FROM ANOTHER WORLD in stock. Since that issue we were able to get a big shipment from England and now have them running out our ears. Now we're BEGGING you to TAKE THEM OFF OUR HANDS. \$3.50 each and it's a terrific book.

SOME NEWS FROM BORNEO has it that residents are in a state of panic after week-long landings of strange silvery objects. A committee from the Netherlands is reportedly hurrying there to conduct a thorough investigation of the alleged landings. Thanks to Mary Agnes Ferraro. The NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA has been "recently created in Washington, D.C. to serve as a national clearing house and library in the examination, validation and registration of aerial phenomena," according to a digest of this organization. NICOAP promises to be a big thing. It is headed by Townsend Brown, physicist who has done widely-recognized work in gravity research. Address NICOAP at 1536 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington 6, D.C. Telephone North 7-9434. Understand Mrs. W. C. John, Ed. of THE LITTLE LISTENING POST, Washington, D.C., was the spark plug that set this organization going.

SAUCER GROUPS ARE GETTING BETTER ORGANIZED, and this may be an important indication. I have just returned from Detroit, Mich., where I addressed the Michigan Flying Saucer Federation. This is an organization of ALL the saucer organizations in Mich., of which there are many. Congrats Mich for being the first. Other states: consider yourself challenged.

THIS HAS PROBABLY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SAUCERS, but, speaking of Michigan, six men were presumed dead after a building, under construction, collapsed in Jackson, Mich. Funny thing was that on same date, October 3, another building collapsed, in Jackson, Miss.

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WE SUPPOSE YOU'VE HEARD THE STORY OF THE IRISHMAN and the saucer he captured, but here's a brief summary. Should have been in last issue, but got pushed out by Michel predictions. It seems a man who is described as a "level-headed, God fearing" Irish farmer, in Northern Ireland, near Moneymore, in early September, tried to capture a saucer which dropped from the clouds into a bog about 200 yards from his front door.

The thing was described as egg-shaped, about 3 feet high and 18 inches in diameter. The farmer, who is named Thomas Hutchinson, said, "It was bright red with two dark red marks at the end and three dark red stripes. It had a saucer-shaped base. I kicked it over, but it returned to its original position." When he got down on his knees for a closer look, it began to spin. So Hutchinson put a hammer lock on it.

Meanwhile Mrs. Hutchinson, looking on, grew pale with fright, ran to the house and started praying. But her indomitable husband held on. He decided to take it to the police station. Evidently the saucer was quiet until Hutchinson made his big mistake; to get across a hedge he momentarily had to take his grip off the thing, whereupon it began to spin again. He wasn't able to get a good grip on it again, and in the fracas "The monster nearly pulled my husband off his feet," according to the good wife.

The desk sergeant at Moneymore had a high opinion of Hutchinson's character and veracity. "He's not the sort of man who would imagine he seized a flying saucer if, in fact, he didn't have one." But the Royal Air Force had a usual explanation: Weather Balloon. The Weather Balloon had come to earth and then suddenly decided to go up again, with enough force to elude the man's hammer lock. So the Royal Air Force hereby receives the SAUCERIAN AWARD for the month of October: a pack of Bicycle playing cards containing all Jokers.

There is a temptation to laugh this off as a funny story about the Irish, but somehow we at SAUCERIAN headquarters aren't so sure. But at least the story seems to be typical: the evidence vanishes at the last moment.

TO MAKE THINGS A BIT MORE INTERESTING, we're slipping some subscriber's name into the list of books at the bottom of each page. If your name appears, you receive a free 6-issue subscription renewal, BUT ONLY IF YOU SEE YOUR NAME AND WRITE IN. If you don't do this by November 15th you don't get it--ha ha!

SAUCER SIGHTINGS ARE AT ONE OF THEIR ALL-TIME PEAKS RIGHT NOW, confirming, to some degree, Michel's predictions in the last issue. But October is just beginning, and this is going to press on October 7th (We KNOW this is Sunday, but have to meet the deadline, and suppose that on the Judgment Day we'll have to rub out all of this typing with our nose). Prof. Frank Reid takes exception to Michel's predictions; "On second thought, Michel's predictions don't stand up too well, in a way. To be sure, there HAS been a Mars cycle rise in 1952 and 1954, but there is not enough HISTORICAL proof for either eastward displacement or the 26-month cycle.

"In 1944 (Reid continues) the foo fighters appeared over Germany. Then, in 1945, they stopped action over Germany and began to fly over Japan. Eastward displacement? Yes, but how does one account for the Swedish 'ghost rockets' in WESTERN Europe. They came AFTER the foo fighters. And there was no rise in sightings over America in the interim between the

THESE AND OTHER SAUCERBOOKS AVAILABLE FROM SAUCERIAN HEADQUARTERS: "THE FLYING SAUCER CONSPIRACY" by Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, \$3.50; "FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED" & "INSIDE THE SPACE SHIPS, By Geo. Adamski, \$3.50 ea.; "FS ON THE ATTACK" & "FS UNCENSORED" By H. T. Wilkins, \$3.50 ea.; "THE REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS," By E. J. Ruppelt, \$4.50; "THE CASE FOR THE UFO," By M.K. Jessup, \$3.50; "UFO ANNUAL" By Jessup, \$4.95; "UFO & THE BIBLE" By Jessup, \$2.50 (Note "CASE" and the ANNUAL can be supplied PERSONALLY AUTOGRAPHED BY JESSUP while our supply lasts); "THE WHITE SANDS INCIDENT," By Daniel Fry, \$1.50; "TO MEN OF EARTH" By Fry, \$1.00; "MY FLIGHT TO VENUS" By Dana Howard, Cut to \$1.00; "DIANE--SHE CAME FROM VENUS" by Howard, cut to \$2.00; "FORGOTTEN MYSTERIES" By R. DeWitt Miller, \$3.00; "YOU DO TAKE IT WITH YOU" By Same Author, \$3.50; "MY FIRST 1,000,000 SPONSORS by Frank Edwards, \$2.00; Also new Edwards book, "STRANGEST OF ALL," \$3.50; "FLYING SAUCERS COME FROM ANOTHER WORLD" By Jimmy Guieu, \$3.50; "THE BOOKS OF CHARLES FORT" \$6.00; "THE TRUTH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS," By Aime Michel, \$3.95; "THEY KNEW TOO MUCH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS" by guess who, \$3.50 (autographed of course); "THERE IS LIFE ON MARS" By The Earl Nelson, \$3.00; (Ralph W. Kastner, free sub); "THE SAUCERIAN REVIEW" Edited by ye Ed., \$1.50; "I RODE A FLYING SAUCER" By Van Tassel, \$1.00; "THE TRUTH ABOUT MARS," By Ernest L. Norman, \$1.50--and OTHERS

foo fighters and the ghost rockets. Extending the 26-month cycle backward, one finds that there should have been a rise in January, 1948, and November, 1945. There were none."

Reid points out that "In the 1890's and early 1900's there was a VENUS cycle, and the greatest rise in sightings before the 1950's came in April, 1897 -- at the opposition of Venus! Fort said that many of the sightings he researched ("LO!") came two weeks before or after Venus opposition. I am afraid that one may say that there is now a Mars cycle, but that it may change at any time, and so is rather poor evidence to use in prediction."

Well, that sounds rather sensible, and we learned a long time ago never to argue with professors. Reid is a bit windy, but a thoroughly likeable old chap, even though when you visit with him he sits there, dreamily, pipe in mouth, and contradicts everything you say just for the hell of it, I guess. Incidentally, Reid is doing research on the years 1930-1946 inclusive. If someone wants to help him, I'll forward communications to him.

A SAUCER WITH AN ODOR, which was described as "nearly nauseating" him, was reported by Harry J. Sturdevant, employee of a contractor in Trenton, N. J., October 2nd. The object swooped down and hovered over the Delaware River, then flew away. He described it as large and wingless. Although it made a hissing sound as it moved along a few feet above the water no fire shot from it, he said. We don't report all the ordinary sightings coming to headquarters for the simple reason that so many of them become repetitious. Others are doing a great job in reporting these sightings, such as Jessup in his ANNUAL, and Len Stringfield's ORBIT. The new ORBIT for Oct. 5th, incidentally, contains more than twenty sightings reported in detail. If you don't receive ORBIT, it will be worth your \$3.00 for one year (12 issues) sent to C.R.I.F.O. 7017 Britton Ave., Cincinnati 27, Ohio. An indication of the boom in saucers is the first paragraph in the current issue: "We're swamped! Never has the CRIFO desk been so amassed with saucer reports." Stringfield is a capable advertising executive when he isn't saucering.

INTRIGUING WORDS FROM A CORRESPONDENT: "Al Bender and others STILL MAY NOT HAVE the answer and may be misled. Also Menzel may be the one to watch. Like the typical detective story he may hold a key to the whole thing. A man with his background is not dumb. He may be deliberately misleading the public while under this camouflage he is cooperating with the three men." Another VERY wild rumor has Menzel and Scully being one and the same person--look at their pictures, the rumor monger says.

THIS ALSO MAY BE A WILD TALE, but a paper in Long Beach, Calif., reported that a family (all as witnesses) contacted a UFO on the Mohave Desert, and the message they received confirmed the "Mon-ka" broadcast described previously herein. According to the tale the man of the family had a bad hand, which the UFO cured by turning a ray on him. We're trying to get a more complete follow-up. WE CAN SUPPLY A TAPE RECORDING COPY OF THE DICK MILLER TV INTERVIEW, INCLUDING THE MON-KA MESSAGE. Please send \$2.00 for cost of tape and our cost of having the copy made.

JAMES SCOTT MARSHALL, of P.O. Box 484, Chico, Calif., is selling a book for one buck, titled THE PLANET MARS AND ITS INHABITANTS, said to be written "By Eros Urides (A Martian)." HERE'S A FREE OFFER made to BULLETIN subscribers: Get FREE copy of STRANGER THAN FICTION DIGEST by simply sending names and addresses of two or more of your friends along with 3¢ postage for mailing. Address: Elmer O. Dahl, 601 Iona Lane, St. Paul 13, Minn. YOU CAN OBTAIN A 30-MINUTE TAPE OF YOURS TRULY by sending a blank tape and about a buck to Tape Recorded UFO Information Service, c/o Dr. A. G. Dittmar, Au Sable Forks, New York. He also can supply other tapes.

G. W. VAN TASSEL, who sponsors the yearly Spacecraft Convention at Giant Rock Airport, is now lecturing in the East. In a recent issue of his publication, PROCEEDINGS, he states that he has "talked personally with two top civilian brain surgeons who were called in by the Air Force to post mortem the brains of sixteen bodies taken from the saucer that crashed near Denver, Colo. (reported in Scully's BEHIND THE FS -- ED.)." Elsewhere in the same issue Van Tassell hints that Nicola Tesla, inventor of alternating current generator and motors, is not dead, as supposed, but is being secretly employed by a secret Air Force Underground project. If all this is true, one thing is reasonable sure: Van Tassell watch out for the  !

GUIDED MISSILE EXPERT, DR. WALTER DORNBERGER, struck a rather conservative note recently re saucers: "The only true flying saucers are those you see when you have an argument with your wife in the kitchen." Meanwhile John Crowley, a guided missiles expert, said in Pittsburgh that the U.S. should be able to launch a satellite into space carrying 80 men within 15 years, and to be able to travel to the moon within 25 years. According to a recent report from Rome, the U.S. would fire the world's first earth satellite carrier rocket 300 miles into space from Cocoa Beach, Fla., this fall. The scientist making the announcement was in Rome for the seventh international Astronautical Congress.

PHOTOGRAPH AT THE RIGHT is from a Peruvian newspaper and we haven't had the time to translate the Spanish text. On the original clipping, which we're pasting up for offset, headlines on the reverse side showed through. We hope our printer can take this out and that it won't spoil the final reproduction. We assume the five objects pointed out by arrow are FS's.

AS MARS SWUNG CLOSE TO EARTH LAST MONTH (35,170,000 miles away) astronomers all over the world studied the red planet. The International Mars Committee, headed by E. C. Slipher and Dr. A. G. Wilson, was back at work, as they had been in 1954. This time some telescopes were equipped with electronic screen intensifiers which magnify light, and a host of other gadgets. As usual, comments were carefully guarded, and it seemed those who should know were somewhat over-urgently trying to convince the public there is no intelligent life on Mars (See LIFE 9/24/56).

Astronomers had observed a dust storm on the planet, but still wouldn't admit the existence of canals that some other astronomers had been sure they'd seen. Anyway, a formal announcement of findings would not be forthcoming soon, but would have to await the correlation of information gathered by the various astronomical observatories. This would be announced during the 1957 International Geophysical Year, a year which THE SAUCERIAN BULLETIN has previously predicted will see a lot of truth come to light.

MEANWHILE, RUSSIAN ASTRONOMERS believed they had sighted snow on Mars. A Moscow broadcast said a new phenomenon, exceptionally bright and shining, had been observed. It was thought that it was a "snowfall or similar formation. Russian scientific experts also blamed U.S. atomic experiments for the sinking of the Andrea Doria. Said it had caused inexact radar information.

Since reviewing Frank Edwards' STRANGEST OF ALL, we have read clear through the book, and have found some rather intriguing information in the last chapters. In the chapter on saucers he recounts how passengers were shaken up after an airliner was buzzed by a saucer when the plane was en route to the Washington National Airport. A chapter on messages from space recounts an instance we had forgotten: how some strange transmission drew pictures of FACES on a tape. Information from abroad has it that Edwards was offered a bribe to shut up about saucers, but that he refused it. Shortly before he lost his job as newscaster over the (sorry--space gone)



Esta es una de las raras fotografías que se ha podido tomar a los Platinos Voladores; fue lograda por un pasajero de un avión que se dirigía de Lima a Panamá, a la altura de Huacho. El Capitán Jaime Cossio, que actualmente presta sus servicios en una compañía de aviación local, fue uno de los 22 testigos que vieron a estas aeronaves.

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