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MARS IS ALIVE?

AFSB REPORTS ON RAAF TALKS

Before we go into detail on the report on the AFSB Director's conference with RAAF Intelligence in Melbourne last July, we solemnly and shame-facedly apologize to Mr. Jarrold for leaping to conclusions regarding his failure to communicate with us. Our reason for alarm springs from the fact that there is so much censorship, and also that Mr. Jarrold did not write as soon as he had anticipated that he would.

We cannot report in detail or give a verbatim report of the conference, but will hit the high spots of the talks.

Of course, certain details remain strictly confidential, as is usually the case when the authorities decide to talk to Civilian investigators. Apart from this specific limitation, no other restriction was imposed on Director Jarrold's reporting of what occurred.

S/L Birch, the representative who talked with Jarrold, seemed to be particularly interested in UFO occupants and the planet Mars, both subjects of which were introduced into the conversation by him.

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An AP report out of Washington, D. C. in October gave the startling news that Dr. E. C. Slipher, consulting astronomer for National Geographic Magazine, has decided that Mars is very much alive---and does harbor vegetation.

Dr. Slipher had just returned from his stint as a Mars observer at Bloemfontein, South Africa, and made his momentous announcement after studying some 20,000 photos taken while in Africa. He is an expert on Mars, having specialized in the observation of that planet for 50 years.

"Mars is alive. It has to be," said Dr. Slipher. Back at his regular station at the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff, Arizona, the Dr. said: "If things did not grow there, changing with the seasons, dust from the red deserts of Mars would have settled long ago over it's entire face. The planet would be all one color."

This news is not exactly news to many amateur astronomers, for they have felt that science has not satisfactorily explained away the curious color changes on Mars at the turn of seasons. The thing really remarkable about this statement is that a recognized scientist has come out and publicly endorsed the theory.

We ask members to hark back to Page One, Column Two of the APRIL Bulletin for September, 1954 and again read our report on Prof. Dean McLaughlin's theory that Mars is a lifeless world.

Now that science has conceded that Mars does have vegetation, we hope for another announcement---tying the saucer seasons in with the Mars proximities---something that we have recognized for years.*****

THIS REALLY HAPPENED! Mr. X, carrying UFO information from one UFO investigator to another in another country, was intercepted by a government investigator and quizzed for a good period of time. The information was sent by personal courier because the sender doubted the safety of said info in the mails. This incident, an actual fact, only serves to further corroborate our suspicions that for some time the personal mail and telephone lines of top investigators of the UFO problem, have been under surveillance. When we say 'top investigators', we specifically designate those bona fide authorities who deal in analysis and correlation of sighting trends---not supposed 'contacters'. It is becoming increasingly evident that the hoaxers are not exposed by the proper authorities because they are a convenient smokescreen for the real facts which are both alarming and very well concealed. We would like to make a statement at this time regarding the so-called contacters: When the real truth does come out, they will be the most surprised of anyone, and our little playmates who fraternize with imaginary space travelers will sport some mighty rosy complexion!

In order to forestall a rumor which will take shape shortly, unless nipped in the bud at this time, the Director would like to assure the membership that she has not been shut up and that transference of the duties of printing the APRO Bulletin to the Los Angeles members constitutes an act of expediency rather than that of a result of coercion.

The simple fact is this: With no members in Alamogordo, it is impossible for her, with failing health, to continue to shoulder the work load involved in getting the Bulletin out every 8 weeks. Also, because of the high cost of doctor's care and drugs, the Director has been forced to take a job in order to pay the freight. Her illness is of a nature that prevents her from even keeping up her domestic duties, therefore a desk job which will keep her fairly immobile and at the same time earning enough to pay for domestic help plus medical expenses is the answer to the quandary.

Of course, she feels that the Los Angeles membership will do a good job, and what with suggestions and plans already submitted to her for various changes, she is confident that actually, the change will be for the better.

APRO will in all probability become a language paper in Venezuela and India before many moons. Members there are planning to translate the Bulletin into their native language upon receipt of it there, and therefore reach more people and gather more sightings. This, we expect, will be a big step in the right direction, and will increase interest not only in the organization, but in UFO research in general.

Again, too many sightings for inclusion at this time are on the desk of the Director, and therefore will be carried in ensuing issues. We have picked the most detailed, attempting to give coverage to most countries. We had planned to use these sightings during the year 1955 when saucer sightings are at an ebb, but inasmuch as the saucers probably will not be noticeably absent in the coming year, this policy may have to be changed, and surplus routine sightings utilized for correlation purposes only. We cannot elucidate at this time regarding our conjecture that saucer sightings will be abundant in 1955, but hope to be able to do so in the near future.

The many letters to the Director regarding last issue's editorial

were welcome and appreciated. Inasmuch as all were complimentary, we must capitulate and admit that the ethical minority is growing.

A well-known, accredited publishing company has approached the Director with a request for cooperation and contributions to a proposed 'symposium' on the UFO mystery. Nothing definite has been arranged, but if an intelligent approach is adapted by the company in the compilation of the material and the writing of the same, we believe it may be advantageous and in the interests of UFO research to cooperate to the limit of our ability.

Although saucer news is held to a minimum by a 'gentleman's' agreement between the Air Force contingent of the Pentagon and the wire services, nevertheless, various propaganda stories, articles, etc., are being regularly used by national circulation publications. This is important, for if the ability to grasp and accept the UFO ramifications by the public is more limited than assumed by individuals already deep into the subject, it will take a lot of doing and a lot of time to bring about a favorable 'atmosphere' wherein some of the more important details can be disclosed. This may seem as though we have turncoated and are running with the hounds, but this is not the case. Although we believe that the human race is not essentially stupid and cowardly, there are those who believe the opposite and they appear to be in control at the present.

One possible reason (logical or not) for the Pentagon's reluctance in disclosing their findings on saucers could well be due to a general foul-up in government red tape. Any of our American members who have ever worked for the government need only reflect a little on the red tape, conflicting opinions, regulations, etc., and they will readily agree that this sort of muddling could be a contributing factor to the Pentagon foul-up on the flying saucer question.

DOWN but not OUT is our friend and fellow saucer fancier Frank Edwards. We recently received a letter from him informing us that he will soon be available on taped shows which will be sold to independent stations. Frank is a great fellow and a reliable reporter---we sincerely hope that all members in the United States will inquire as to the possibility of acquiring his new program for local stations. Thanks again, Frank, for the generous comments about our work.*****

PROP WASH

[AERIAL HOGWASH]

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Our new Column, PROP WASH, replaces the GRAPPEVINE as the APRO Bulletin undergoes the first of its major changes.

As well as there being a change in the title itself, there has been also a change in the connotation of the title and the name of the new column. Henceforth, anything considered (after much thought and debate) as purely the derelict imaginations of thrill-seekers or deliberate hoaxes.

No. 1: The current rumor going the rounds is that Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States, took orders from humanoid spacemen while visiting Palm Springs recently, and journeyed to Muroc Air Force Base where he conferred at length with the pilots of a flying saucer. As the story goes, he made an unexpected trip to Palm Springs, the saucer landed and demanded an audience with him, and got it.

This rumor is almost certainly an outgrowth of the report in the January, 1954, bulletin, that a UFO had landed on the California-Oregon border in late November, 1953, and had been transferred to a United States Air Force Base for study by scientists.

Since that time, various rumors involving saucers at Edwards, Muroc, and March AFBs have circulated, one rumor having originated in Southern California, finding its way to Australia, and swearing that 'reliable sources' (that old, familiar phrase, again) indicate that the thing was unmanned and remote-controlled.

Two little characteristics of most claimed contacts and rumors are the lack of photo verification and/or the lack of descriptions of occupants. These are handy loopholes and have been used very extensively. Could be the time is coming when these loopholes will not be big enough and the nincompoops who utilize them now will be crawling back under the flat rocks from whence they sprung, unwept, unhonored and unsung.

This does not mean that those who have been generous with flowery descriptions with the good-looking space-men will be proved right, because they have some surprises coming, too. Science, itself, with new facts and figures on the possibili-

ty of life on other worlds, and worlds around other suns, will prove to be the demise of the self-styled visionaries of the tall tales.

The rest of the story on this new and startling rumor is that after someone saw what to them was an unidentified object near Muroc Testing Grounds; the birth of a rumor was inevitable---so just as soon as the President decided to take a little extra-curricular jaunt to a favorite resting place, stopping for a surprise visit at one of our Air Bases, the rumor was born. And it seems that a good deal of debunking will have to be done before it dies.

A new development which amounts to just another assinine statement by the Pentagon branch of the Air Force, deserves only a small mention in this column because it is pure hogwash. That is the latest official statement glaming the saucers on hallucinations. We would like to suggest to the Air Force at this time that they either ground every civilian or military pilot who has seen and reported UFOs, or come up with a more sensible theory. They should make it pretty soon---they've been trying hard enough and long enough. If the Air Force saucer wing can't do that, the Director of this organization challenges them to a public debate, pitting her wits and information against the best of their experts on balloons, hallucinations, Venus, inversions, etc., and etc. They don't dare take the dare! Our grounds for grounding pilots? ---If saucers are due to hallucinations, the pilots who have sighted them are not mentally competent and therefore should not be trusted with human life and billions of dollars worth of property. This hallucination theory of the Air Force's is without a doubt the most ignorant statement of them all, and notwithstanding that, most certainly an insult to the collective intelligence of the American people. Either the Air Force has a very low opinion of the intelligence and gullibility of Americans, or they are pretty stupid themselves. Regardless of our inclination to think the latter, we must admit that the former is probably the answer. The only stickler right now is why the Air Force, when it has gained control (Page 8, Col.1)

Saucer @ @ Bandwagon

MARE for September, 1954, ran another teaser dealing with past and present evidence which tends to strengthen the theory that saucers are in actuality interplanetary vehicles. He cites radio signals apparently emanating from Mars, etc., concludes that they've been preparing for colonization and are among us now. Heydegger is referred to by Author Bruno) as noted 'interstellar scientist' and apparently wrote the article. Not familiar.

TIME for Oct. 25 featured a run-down on saucers over France, titled 'Martians over France'. No more than the usual amount of barbed-tongued humor was attached, the article isn't too childish, is accompanied by cute cartoons and at least gives what facts were available at the time.

LIFE, a subsidiary of TIME, or vice versa, featured the same general theme in their "Astral Adventures" in a November issue. This report deals for the most part with sightings, both of the craft and the occupants.

REUTERS staff writer Donald Batchelor contributed a gem in his "Are Saucers Over Africa From Outer Space?" which was carried in a few American papers in October. Our clip comes from the St. Louis Globe Democrat for Oct. 17. The text of this article deals with the findings of G. Duncan Fletcher, president of the Kenya Astronomical Association who reached his conclusions regarding the origin and identity of the saucers after careful scrutiny and study of reports plus an experience of his own. He believes the saucers are from another world, probably friendly and engaged in reconnaissance and mapping missions. We liked his last paragraph very well: "I don't pretend to know how the objects operate, what they contain or where they come from, but vigilance and a friendly approach to their overtures would appear to be the best course to follow."

Maryland McCormick (some relation of Birdie's?) does the typical sob-sister type of saucer feature in the Chicago Sunday Tribune for October 10. For inspiration was a visit to Chicago by Desmond Leslie and the most interesting and sage remark in the whole sloppy mess was her next-to-last paragraph in which she states that Leslie might go down in history or perhaps when he was a little one his Irish nurse may have had too much imagination.

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J. ROLLO REPORTS (Con't from Page 1)
Views regarding Martian origin were exchanged, the Director being questioned closely regarding purported UFO landings and the various types of UFOs reported by eyewitnesses. Birch then proceeded to discuss UFO occupants matter-of-factly, conveying directly that the absence of verified landing reports made it appear certain that 'the Martians are unlike us'.

Birch appeared baffled by the apparent inability of UFO occupants to 'land openly' and gave the impression that the belief that 'Martians are unlike us' followed consideration of the occupants' inability, apparently, to manufacture suitable artificial aids such as spacesuits as we know them, whereas such aids, designed to prolong life in an alien atmosphere, are already possible to some extent on the earth even though we have not as yet advanced to the actual stage of space travel.

Upon being asked his opinion regarding the unidentified natural phenomena theory, S/L Birch laughed, immediately pointing out that 'if this is the case, surely the fact would have been established with certainty long ago.'

The following points were brought out during discussion of official RAAF investigations: 1. The RAAF has a 'completely open mind' regarding the origin of UFOs. 2. The 'greater threat' to Australia is currently believed by the RAAF to be coming from 'S. E. Asia' for which reason 'no intensification of RAAF research into UFO's is planned immediately'. 3. At present AFI is awaiting 'depth of evidence' as to where UFOs actually come from. 4. No official conclusions regarding specific Australian sightings are ever released by AFI. Reports are checked for aircraft, balloons, or other 'orthodox explanations', after which the unsolved cases are 'simply filed' awaiting 'depth of evidence' regarding the objects' specific origin.

All in all, we gather from Mr. Jarrold's report that the Australian government's opinions and actions are considerably more intelligent than those of other governments interested in the saucer phenomena, and that civilian organizations in the 'Down Under' country can hold their heads high with pride instead of skulking like mongrel dogs with cans tied to their tails. We can all rejoice that there is freedom of speech and the press and opinion in at least one nation in the world.

We would like to again thank Mr. Jarrold for sending us the details on these important talks. We wish him the very best of luck in his future work.*****

RECENT SIGHTINGS

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We have received so many sightings within the past 8 weeks that we can only pick those which are most outstanding in detail for reprinting here. Those which have not been used will be laid aside for future issues in the event of slack periods in sighting reports.

ST. LOUIS, MO., AUG 27, 2 UFO seen near airport, one in July, the other in August. Black object traveling fast seen by Navy Comdr Robert Jackson and family. The other, seen in July, was irregular-shaped, milky-white cloudlike substance possibly 24 by 18 in. and a foot thick sighted near ground by workers from a distance of 200 feet or less. Traveling at low speed, made no noise, hopped over or swerved around objects such as autos and fences; the eerie object disappeared by making a sharp right turn and climbing into an overcast sky.

Brilliant green ball of fire seen by thousands in NEW MEXICO and specifically the ALBUQUERQUE area, at about 9:30 Sept. 18. This object also observed by ..PRO member Marilyn Calver at DILWORTH, MINN. Miss Calver observed object for one minute, said it didn't disappear, merely 'went out' as if 'turned out'. Phosphorescent trail of yellowish hue visible long after the object had disappeared.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Sept. 20. Three shining objects perform amazing turns and maneuvers in night sky over Knoxville, seen by many. Yellowish in color, objects flew in V-formation, one large followed by two small objects, often stopping in mid-air, then shooting straight up.

IONIA, MICH., Sept. 22. Amateur astronomers track three glowing objects across sky. Things traveling at tremendous speed and very high. Defense officials say no radar contact made.

BARSTOW, CALIF., Sept. 22. UFO orange in color with red ring around it, emitting sparks, seen by police officers and Marines. Object moved at terrific speed across sky, often stopping in mid-air. Once it moved toward ground, creating bright light as it did so. Similar object seen earlier by pilot in the vicinity of Cedar City, Utah.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA, Sept. 18, Brilliant oval object reported by Walnut Creek observers including former air officer and former Navy officer. Charles F. Embree watched object, used telescope, detecting tentacles attached to it. Object observed for 50 minutes by many.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Sept. 28. Mem-

bers Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kusreanu of Downers' Grove, Ill., observed metallic appearing round object while visiting friends at St. Paul, Minn. Time, 1:30 a. m. Mr. and Mrs. Kusreanu were leaving friends' house, looked up and saw huge object in the west, watched it progress across sky toward the East. What is apparently the same object, was observed by police at Fargo, N. D. and Dilworth, Minn.

COLDWATER, KANSAS, Sept. (no exact date) 12-year-old farm boy relates experience of seeing little man no bigger than a five year old, with long nose and very long ears, behind a ridge of land. The boy, John J. Swain, was discing for his father. The little man suddenly began to sort of float to his craft, jumped in and it lighted up and took off, disappearing quickly. Swain's mother called sheriff, who questioned the boy, and sent reports on interview to Washington, D. C. Rev. Albert Baller, respected member of ..PRO says he believes the boy is telling the truth (we are inclined to believe him also). John wrote to Rev. Baller giving him the story in his own words and writing.

VIGNON, FRANCE, Oct. (no exact date) Two French AF jets chase object described as white disc giving out white, red and violet lights. During this same period, a motorist near Modena, Italy, saw incandescent cigar-shaped object fly past at tremendous speed. A 13-year-old boy reported object over city of Florence, Italy 'whirling like a top.' A silvery object flew at great speed over Luino, near Swiss border at 1,000 ft. altitude. Many witnesses reported it made no noise and left no vapor trail. Also, during October, French Camerons in Africa reported a huge, mushroom-shaped shining disc stationary in the sky at about 2000 feet. Hundreds of observers.

We now give brief accounts of the saucer 'invasion' of Europe in OCT.

Andre Narcy reports seeing door-knob shaped object parked in field about 100 yards from road. Narcy, cycling to work, saw little man with hair overcoat hop into the object, which flew straight up into the sky as flames shot out from spindle-shaped protrusion on bottom of the machine. This was in CHAUMONT, FR.

The mayor of URYSAI, GREECE, reported seeing pink and white saucer which hovered over village for 15 minutes on Oct. 7.

In PERPIGNAN, FRANCE, a retired customs official reported he saw a flying saucer land and a tall man

dressed in a 'diver's suit' stop out. Craft was huge red sphere. The 'spaceman', according to the observer, jumped back into his craft and took off rapidly but noiselessly when he saw observer's two dogs.

MILAN, ITALY, People in at least 15 sections of Po River Valley reported seeing UFO in the 48 hours leading up to Oct. 17. 8 farmhands said they saw luminous disc settle to ground a mile away. As they approached, disc gave out blinding light, shot into air and streaked north. They told police the object scoured a hole 20 feet in diameter and scorched trees. About 50 miles away Farmer Antonio Grepaldi said his cows stampeded, injuring his 9-year-old daughter when a cigar-shaped object emitting blue-silver sparks descended to within few yards of his house.

In MUNSTER, GERMANY, Franze Hoge saw a blue-cigar-shaped object in a nearby field hovering about 6 feet off the ground. He also sighted four creatures about 3½ ft. in height, with thick-set bodies, oversized heads, delicate legs and dressed in rubber-like clothing. Hoge watched object and its occupants for about 10 minutes from a distance of about 200 ft., but had no wish to go closer.

Thirteen witnesses near FRANKFURT, GERMANY, among them former Luftwaffe pilots, watched 'slightly swollen silver disc' moving noiselessly over their field, at a glider school.

A mail carrier in LUY, near NAMUR, BELGIUM, spotted a 'flying cigar' which rose into the sky as he approached. Claims he saw two silhouettes roughly human in shape aboard the craft.

Cedric Allingham reports that he saw a 50 by 20 ft. saucer land near him between LOSSIEMOUTH and BUCKIE, SCOTLAND last Feb. 18 at 3:30 p. m. He said man wearing tunic 'like a coat of mail' jumped out, approached him. Man about 5' 9", about 32, short, dark hair. One peculiarity was 'his nose, or rather two small tubes which emerged from his nostrils, connected by a metal bar no thicker than a match.' Allington took snaps which, when developed, showed only blurred but surprisingly human-looking back of a man, but saucer looked like a badly poached egg. Through hand signals, 'spaceman' indicated that he was from Mars, allowed Allingham to touch saucer which felt warm. Spaceman then entered saucer which rose with a slight 'whoosh' and disappeared.

QUIMBOULE, N. FRANCE, Sept. 10. Farmer Marius Dewilde sees oblong machine about 10 feet long landed on railroad track a few yards from his house. Two small manlike creatures dressed in 'diver's suits',

emerged. Dewilde walked toward the object, was paralyzed by green ray. By the time he recovered, the machine was high in the sky and investigation showed symmetrical marks on the railroad tie, indicating object rested on tripod landing gear.

PLATEAU of MILLEVAILLES, S. FRANCE, Sept. 10., Antoine Mazoud approached by little man wearing a 'crash helmet', who kissed him, then made a few noises and then climbed the roadside hedge and entered a cigar-shaped contraption which took off with a faint buzzing sound.

GARDUNIA MTS., PORTUGAL, Sept. 24, 10 a. m. Three Portuguese peasants watched fast-flying sphere land in a field 200 yards away. Two small creatures in shiny metallic outfits got out, started collecting grass and stones in brightly polished box. Creatures then saw the men and invited them to come and inspect their craft (with signals) which the men declined. The little men then entered the thing and took off vertically and rapidly disappeared. The men said they saw shadows of other beings through the semi-transparent center section of the sphere.

MAISANCELLES, FR., September 30. 5:10 p. m. Flying mushroom seen to land near ditch. Object about 8 feet wide. One observer went over to get a good look, said it seemed to be made out of aluminum and rested on three 'crutches'. It took off as he approached, spiraling like a leaf. Authorities duly noted 3 deep imprints in ground after the sighting.

At NAPLES, ITALY, Oct. 21, a Pekingese dog yelped at the sight of a saucer which hovered over a rubber factory. The dog then fell dead. Same report cited 'hundreds' of reports in the same area within the week.

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA, Oct. 23. Disc-shaped object seen by workers and policemen as it maneuvered over the city, stopping, changing course, etc. Object gave off luminous rays which changed colors alternately.

ERBA, near COMO, ITALY, Oct. 24. Renzo Pugina, serious, respected citizen, sees strange creature in 'silver-shingled' garment wearing luminous helmet, in his garden. The creature trained a lamp on Pugina, which paralyzed him. Gripping keys in his hand, Pugina claims part of the paralyzed feeling went away, he then screamed at the creature who made a little noise and lifted up from the ground. In the spot where the creature had been standing was a sort of 'grease stain'. Pugina went straight to bed, seized by a fit of convulsive shaking. (probably badly frightened—Ed.)

PORTO ALEGRE, BR. ZIL, Oct. 24.

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SIGHTINGS (Cont'd from Page 6, Col2). Air Base personnel observe objects reported definitely not celestial or atmospheric phenomena. Objects circular, silvery in color, maneuvering at great speed with abrupt changes in course.

LIMA, PERU, Oct. 27. Brilliant elliptical object which pulsed brilliant flashes of light seen in Chicama Valley by Peruvian engineer. Object observed for a long period of time, at times moved slowly, at times fast and at one time seemed to detain itself and fall diagonally. Shortly the disc was seen suspended at a height of 300 meters above ground, recovering it's luminosity which had faded during fall.

ROME, ITALY, Oct. 28. Ambassador Clare Booth Luce one of many who saw object like silver coin over Rome. She had no comment altho she admitted she saw it. Others said there were 3 objects and that they dropped white cottony stuff that hung from telephone wires.

PORTO ALEGRE, BRAZIL, Nov. 10. Agronomist out for ride with family sees disc from which emerges 2 apparently normal shaped men with long hair and suits like coveralls. With arms above heads, the men approached car, but driver, urged by wife and daughter, accelerated and left them behind. The two entered the disc which disappeared in air.

CURITIBA, PARA, BRAZIL, Nov. 14. Railwayman told authorities that at 3:30 p.m. he saw three beings dressed in tight-fitting luminous material examining gravel around railroad tracks with lantern. Upon seeing railroad men, they got into their oval-shaped craft which elevated itself rapidly. At approximately same hour teacher saw luminous object above the Urai town.

MARYSVILLE, OHIO, Nov. 1. Two school teachers, one a science teacher, and 60 students watched cigar shaped object which left three-mile trail of silver cobwebs hanging from trees and bushes. Stuff looked and felt like asbestos, evaporated upon contact with hands, which in turn turned green but rinsed off easily. (MEMBERS---we have a way of analyzing this 'angel hair' stuff so keep your eyes peeled and if you can obtain samples, pack in black cloth and airmail to us immediately with due precautions---insured, registered; etc.)

CORSO, MISSOURI, Oct 28, AF veteran with 1500 hours flying credit observes silver coin-shaped object hovering over farm 4:45 p.m. until dark. Did not move---but changed color with sunset. Determined not a balloon as it remained stationary throughout whole period.

LA CCRUNA, SPAIN, Nov. 6, driver stopped by motor trouble sees luminous disc-shaped object 450 feet

away. While he watched, object soured into sky with explosive noise and disappeared at high speed.

MALAGA, SPAIN, Nov. 6, Two Postal employees photograph object about 9 ft. in diameter, dark in color, which moved slowly at estimated height of 600 feet.

DARLINGTON, WIS., Nov. 10. Hundreds watch brilliant blue-white light hang motionless in sky for about an hour, then finally fade from view, apparently straight up. Object described same path as mysterious object seen over Darlington at 3 a.m. last May 30. (Another similar object, seen over Darlington in February of 1952, labeled Venus by AF investigators.)

FERRARA, ITALY, Nov. 13. Three bulldozer operators watch red-colored object streak through sky, then come down very near bulldozers. One man said his dozer stalled completely as light drew near. The man ran away, badly frightened, and when he came back, the dozer was running again, and at usual speed.

LOUISVILLE, KY, Nov. 10, Wright-Patterson AFB jet fails to reach shiny object watched by Louisville observers from 3 to 6 p.m. At 40,000, jet couldn't sight object (pilot said). First a gleaming white, the object turned yellow, finally red, and then faded into dusk.

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA, Nov. 14, 8 p.m. Bright object giving off yellowish glare watched as it flew across the sky.

BERM., ARGENTINA, Nov. 14, Three hundred members of anti-aircraft division watched silvery disc-shaped object leaving reddish trail. Seen with aid of binoculars, said to be at about 9,000 ft., when first seen was standing still in air. Suddenly the object began to fly south at great speed, disappearing into the clouds.

ROME, ITALY, Nov. 14. Fishermen state they saw burning, elliptical object fall and sink into the waters of the channel of the Po river, making noise as of boiling water.

ROME ITALY, Nov. 14. Farmer Americo Lorenzini, from ISOLA near SPEZIA, tells of cigar-shaped craft which landed near his rabbit hutches. He reported that he hid and watched from some bushes as little men, clad in metallic appearing helmets got out of small door in craft and stood talking and pointing at the rabbits. Lorenzini then went home to get shotgun, came back fast but gun wouldn't work. Tried to hol-ler but fright had paralyzed his vocal cords. Gun seemed to grow heavy so he dropped it. Meanwhile, the little men went into the hutches, carried off all the rabbits which they put into the craft and took off into the sky. No marks where craft had landed.*****

PROP-WASH (Continued from Page 3) trol of the American news wire services, should bother to make such a statement when little or no saucer news is leaking out. There is one possible answer: they have not yet managed to quiet International News Service, which is relaying the European and African sightings to the U. S. for the consumption of the general public. INS and Reuters could very well be the next to fall victim to the Pentagon Putsch.

SAUCER BLOWDOWN (Continued from Page 4, Col. 1) tained three interesting bits dealing with the following: "The Flying Jellyfish" sighted near Goose Bay, Labrador last June 30, "Saucer Propulsion", a condensation from Major Keyhoe's last book, "Flying Saucers From Outer Space" and "I Believe in Flying Saucers" by Britain's Air Chief Marshall, Lord Dowling. Lord Dowling's opinions are fairly well known by now so we won't go into it in any great detail except to say that it's nice that a few recognized scientists, experts and accredited men are at last making known their opinions. His leadout paragraph is a good enough summation of the whole article: "I have never seen a 'Flying Saucer,' and yet I believe that they exist. I have never seen Australia, and yet I believe that Australia also exists. My belief in both cases is based upon cumulative evidence in such quantity that, for me, at any rate, it brings complete conviction." Well said, Sir!

SCENE, for Oct. 25, says "Flying Saucers Are Attacking Us", features this article in their "Behind the National SCENE" department. A well-meaning bit, SCENE claims that they have top tips from experts and written by experts----- then proceeds to ball up their pictures and information. Reporting of this type doesn't do anyone any real good---just tends to create more confusion in the midst of bedlam.

The best of the bunch, as far as reliability of information, style and hard-hitting facts, is the article, "They're Not Telling You The Truth About THE SPIES FROM OUTER SPACE" in REAL magazine, November issue. Written by Frank Edwards, it not only contains fresh material but utilizes the kind of logic and hard-hitting style that tends to shake complacency.

"The Blonde From Outer Space", a wholly unrealistic bit of balderdash which is written under the pseudo-name of Van Cort, seems to have sneaked past the editors of the S.A.T. EVE. POST in the neatest piece of chicanery in a long time. Apparently Mr. Van Cort is one of

the less lucid of saucer fans, and although it was cute reading, can't say much for his ability as a writer or fictionist.

On the other hand---Prof. Herman Oberth's well-written, commonsensical and deliberately appealing article in the American Weekly for Oct. 24, rates with Mr. Edwards' revealing discourse on saucers. Oberth doesn't hesitate with his theory that saucers are interplanetary in origin, then goes on to list the very down-to-earth reasons for his conclusions. Superb.

PLEASE DATE ALL OF YOUR CLIPPINGS!

Saucer Mag Review

CRIFO, for Sept., Oct., Nov., all excellent jobs---for those who wish to subscribe to this sheet, the address is 7107 Britton Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. We recommend it. We also highly recommend the Australian Flying Saucer Magazine which can be obtained by contacting Edgar Jarrold, 3 Ferguson Ave., Fairfield N.S.W., Australia. For speedy delivery send 25/- for first copy, plus airmail postage. Sea routing requires at times, about six weeks.

A little comment on NEXUS issues for Oct and Nov are due at this time. The Oct. issue contained a statement that Mesely had in his possession proof of the existence and origin of the saucers, intimating that they belong to the U.S. The so-called 'documented evidence' just isn't possible unless a researcher gets his hands on top secret documents which is not only impossible but hazardous, to say the least. Anyone who has worked for the government where classified information is daily routed, knows that security measures are so stringent that it would be impossible for anyone to spirit away anything that could pass for 'documented evidence.' This, on top of a hot tip that as a result in the upswing in other countries of saucer sightings, U.S. research into saucers is being stepped up, plus the fact that all-out cooperation between 13 countries in the investigation of the saucers does not point to any one country at all.

Mr. Mesely then comes out and very sadly states in his Nov. issue that he cannot after all, give out the good news, and as others have done in the past, cautions other saucer researchers. We can assure our readers of one thing---that if they were Uncle Sam's and someone was getting too close, that person wouldn't even be given a chance to disclose the fact that he suspected the origin. The government of the (Continued on Page Nine, Column One)

SAUCER MAG REVIEWS (Con't from Page Eight) United States moves in mysterious ways it's wonders to perform, and woe unto him who tries to find out anything he shouldn't know about national defense. Another thing we'd like to mention about NEXUS---is their rumor that a Communist has been 'planted' in every saucer organization. That's a safe rumor anywhere and anytime, for, like germs, the Communists can not be entirely put out of the running and keep showing up in the most likely and unlikely places.

Regarding John Bessor's theory that saucers are actually stratospheric animals, well, after reading Charles Fort and taking into consideration those sightings which might indicate animal substance being involved (these sightings, incidentally, comprise about 1/2% of the overall count)----Bessor is no more right than all the others who adopt one theory and try to apply it to all of the facts gathered. There are balloons, planets, airplanes, reflections, atmospheric and celestial phenomena which have been dubbed saucers, but which are not---it's that small percentage that indicates, a solid, metallic object capable of tremendous speeds, extreme maneuverability and an apparent disregard of gravity. They can also get the Air Force into such a tizzy that they doubletalk. Animal? Huh-uh!

Just one more thing in the NEXUS Oct. issue---regarding the OSLO, Norway sighting of a space-man! Our information is that the American aeronaut involved is not a Billie Faurot, but Mr. Bailly Faurot, also---both he and his wife denied it could have been him, for he has a crewcut which could hardly be construed to appear as long, black hair. Some discrepancies somewhere, it would seem!

NEXUS gives all sides---if anyone is interested in a little light reading on the saucer subject, it can be obtained from P. O. Box 163, Fort Lee, New Jersey.

Another issue of the paper put out by Civilian Saucer Investigations of New Zealand is on our desk. Harold Fulton, President of the group has done a good job again---anyone interested in more information on saucers in the land of 'Down Under', can write to him at 1 Nissan Place, Onehunga, S.E. 5, Auckland, New Zealand.

The mysterious greenish-blue object which scared the wits out of TULSA, OKLAHOMA residents, by roaming in the vicinity of Lovers Lane and crying like a baby turned out to be a boy's prank.

We mustn't forget to mention The Saucerien, edited by Gray Barker, and obtainable at: Box 2 228, Clarksburg, West Virginia.*****

At RANDOM

Another blast of unknown origin at San Francisco, Calif. on Nov. 19. The usual guess was that the blast was caused by the shock waves of a jet piercing the sound barrier. Just recently the Director was present when a jet pierced the sound barrier at Holloman AFB---wasn't anything like the bone-jarring-shock that she felt during the big one at Modesto, Calif. last summer.

Los Angeles man reported on Oct. 12 that he saw a flying saucer land in MacArthur Park, and that a little man in a white suit got out. A truck came and carted the man and the saucer away, this sighter says. He couldn't get the license number of the truck, he says, because the fog closed in and he couldn't see any more. Wonder what kind of fog he is referring to and whether he intends to write a book like the rest of them?

Sept. 29, LISBON, PORTUGAL. Man who doesn't believe in saucers sees flying cup complete with 2 8-ft. giants in pocketless metallic suits.

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA, Oct. 27. After many reports of UFOs in this country, a government-sponsored investigation has begun. Well! Well! Another PRESTIDIGITATOR, Mrs. Dorothy Martin of Oak Park, Illinois predicts that beings from "Clarion" told her, via automatic writing, that Chicago will be destroyed by flood at dawn on December 21. Wonder if she has read the book by Truman Bethurum dealing with the "Clarionettes"? Other dire predictions of horrible things to come are mentioned, but we feel that the same might happen to her predictions as happened to the prediction of the Oklahoma Indian woman who said that the U. S. would be destroyed by the H-bomb on November 13. We're still here---where is she?

A mystery blast in Contra Costa, California on Nov. 1---no one even ventured a guess on this one.

Sept. 9 was the date of a mystery blast at a pumping station south of Lake Manawa, Iowa. The explosion left a crater 6 ft. in diameter in the dike. Gremlins?

Mystery blast at Geneva, Feb. on Sept. 23. A week later there were no answers and no good guess either! Overlook this one, boys?

The Mayor of Chateau-Neuf-du-Paire, France, has forbidden saucers to land! He ordered any and all saucers-impounded if they disobeyed the decree. Oh, dearie me!

Hoaxers still going full tilt! Latest one---15 people of Tradate, Italy admitting concocting a dilly that threw their metropolis into a tizzy! Here, they write books and make money---in Italy, the cliaak!***

DEADLINE DOPE

November 15, 1954

PRO Bulletin

Deadline

Late again, but we hope that the contents justify our tardiness this time. Working 40 hours a week plus taking care of a family---plus attending to the business of an organization the size of this is no easy task, but we type fast. Nevertheless, Bulletin time does cause a certain amount of upset and takes lots of time, which isn't too plentiful, right now.

One of our members in Canada was lately dealt a dirty deal, we think. He had managed to obtain fragments from a UFO which he duly sent to a laboratory for examination. It has not been made entirely clear just exactly what happened, but he has no fragments and no more information. Seems someone got to him first and it is apparent to us, at least, that another government is making a big mistake. You can fool some of the people some of the time, all of the people some of the time, but you just can't fool all of the people all of the time. Maybe they never heard Lincoln's famous saying.

France is making preparations for welcoming the first Martien to land on French soil. The celebration, we hear, will include a fashion show, a meal at Maxim's and a press conference with the Mayor of Paris and the President of the Republic on hand. Maybe not so practical, but certainly a refreshing change from the usual governmental attitude.

Here's a new angle on saucer hoaxes---from Finland. Police unmasked hoaxers who had simulated a night-flying light by tying a small flashlight to the bill of a tame crow. They got the 'bird'.

John Otto is going strong in Chicago, according to the magazine, CHICAGO, for August. Written in a jocular vein, it gave a blow-by-blow (giggle) account of a meeting with Betherum and Otto, putting a great deal of stress on the common belief that Betherum has a lively extraterrestrial imagination. When a young and recently initiated flying saucer enthusiast stated that she had only been interested for two weeks and had a ready had a contact, Otto enthusiastically described the reported spaceman, stressing that if one is sincere, one will be 'beamed in'. The question that still pin-pricks the back of our minds is this: What about the sincere, honest researchers in psychical research who have been experimenting with mental telepathy for years? Some of them have been avidly interested in saucers, but

they haven't been 'beamed'! Evidently one of the prerequisites of a contactor is a gift of gab so that he can pull in the curious at so much a head for lectures on his contacts, but extra-sensory perception? Bosh! All you need is sincerity! Don't need to be a scientific man engaged in psychical research---you gotta be an amateur!

DELINQUENT MEMBERSHIPS! We dislike using precious Bulletin space for reminding members who are in arrears on dues, but feel we must in order to save time. Some of the following are 'way past due, others will be due shortly, but we also urge all members to put their cards and receipts where they can be easily found and referred to, and keep track of their own dues dates. Here we go: Robt. John, Minnesota, D. M. Imbosc, Long Island, N. Y., Barbara Johnson, San Leandro, Calif., George Mackes, Washington, D.C., John Madro, Chicago, Ill., Lester E. Melz, Sedro-Wooley, Washington, Claire Poole, Connecticut, David Rose, California, Edward Wilkinson, New York, Roy Abel, Keokuk, Iowa, Peter Bartkus, Rockford, Ill., Donald Breed, Calif. Charles H. Cummins, Calif. Terry Emerick, California, James C. Griffin, Fort Worth, Texas, Virginia Babin, Portland, Ore.

Many of these memberships are past due, and a bulletin shouldn't have been sent---but we always feel that room for human error is always available, so decided to caution via Bulletin as we have in the past.

HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, New Mexico, a reliable source has stated that in the middle part of October, a crescent-shaped UFO was seen over the base, jets were sent up to circle the object. No info as to the altitude, or close-up views---however, all information classified as 'top secret'.

ALAMOGORDO, New Mexico---Technician employed at HOLLOMAN AFB watches object which appeared like a 'second moon' but with a bluish halo and trailing edge---seen by many residents of Alamogordo as it left its stationery position in the sky and raced away at unbelievable speed. No balloon or any of the usual explanations.

FLORENCE, ITALY, Nov. 5. Lending still more credence to the latest story of dwarfish men, is the report by a woman in this town that a 3-ft. man grabbed a bunch of carnations out of her arms, then took off across the skies in a cylindrical machine.

ETHIOPIA---Sky Dragons reported

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DEADLINE DOPE (Con't from Preceding Page) in this country. Long silvery cigar-shaped object with a black snout roaring through skies at tremendous speeds not called saucers---just sky dragons. Villagers, panic-stricken went to church to pray. This in November.

PETARE, VENEZUELA---new information tending to corroborate the story of Gustavo Gonzales, is the report that an object meeting the same description as that in the Gonzales case, was sighted in Venezuela two hours prior to the incident. APRO member is attempting to get a personal interview with the men involved. **WATCH THIS ONE!!** Mr. Gonzales and Mr. Rolas, both of Caracas write that people are deeply concerned over this incident, and they believe that something big might break soon---at least in Venezuela. It might be interesting to see whether the American press carries any details on this one. **HERE'S THE WHOLE STORY**---and probably the most important one in the year of 1954. On November 28, at 2 a. m., Gustavo Gonzales and his helper, Jose Ponce set out for Petare, (20 minutes ride from Caracas and one of the suburbs) to purchase foodstuffs for delivery to markets. They were in a panel truck, which they use in their delivery service, and upon reaching a street which leads to a sausage factory, were startled to see a luminous sphere some 8 to 10 feet in diameter blocking the street. It was suspended 6 feet off the ground. Both Gonzales and Ponce got out of the truck to investigate, and saw a dwarfish man coming toward them. Gonzales grabbed the little man and lifted him off the ground, intending to put him in the truck, and was surprised by the lightness of the man. Gonzales says that the feel of the body was as of stiff hair, and hard. The man gave him a push which knocked him 15 feet away. Ponce verifies this as he watched the scuffle but when he saw that with one push of his arm he threw Gustavo such a distance he took off for the Traffic Inspector's office which happened to be just around the corner. Ponce also said that what made him run was the fact that he saw two other little men emerging from the bushes with what looked like hunks of dirt in their hands. These little men leaped into the sphere through an opening in the side. The man with whom Gustavo had grappled then leaped into the air about six feet, then toward him, his eyes glowing. Scared to death, Gustavo pulled a scout knife he had on him, and as the creature approached him with claws extended, he made a stab at the creature's shoulder but to his surprise the blade slid off and did not penetrate. At this moment, another creature emerged from the sphere holding

some sort of tube and shone a ray of light on him which blinded him momentarily. He made out that all creatures then jumped into the sphere which shot up into the air and was lost to sight within a few seconds. Overcome with exhaustion and fright, the men, Gustavo and Ponce related their story to the traffic inspectors on duty who thought they were drunk. Examination proved they had not had anything to drink. Police later said that if the men had been drinking they would have been arrested for drunken driving. Both men were given sedatives and at the present, Gustavo Gonzales is under observation by Doctors who are observing the reddish mark left on his side.

Another man, a typesetter, immediately came forth to report the incident which he had held secret because of his fear of ridicule. This man, on the 4th of November, was hunting on his launch in the Delta district when he saw a luminous sphere suspended off the ground a little way in from the shore. The semi-civilized Indians with him fled in terror but he approached, tied up the launch and hid behind bushes and rocks to watch. He saw three or four creatures of dwarfish size making repeated trips to the sphere with dirt in their hands.

That is the story, APRO members---we got a short report and held up this issue hoping for more information which we have presented here. Because of the details, the apparently serious attitude of police and the citizens of Caracas, plus the physical evidence left behind in the mark on Gonzales' body, we believe this account true and the most spectacular report we have ever received to date. We also believe we should mention the conscientious work of members Horatio Gonzales (no relation to Gustavo, the principle in the case) and Joe Rolas. These fellows have worked very hard to bring these important facts to the attention of all of us. Horatio Gonzales informs us that this story is being carried in all the leading papers and has stirred up a lot of comment and thought. Here---we have a case of non-human saucer pilots landing in the midst of civilization. Panic? No---only conjecture and a bit of serious thought.

FLORENCE, ITALY, Nov. 28. Lt. Fulvius Donnini states that he saw two UFO which, during one hour and forty minutes chased a train in which he was traveling from Florence to Rome. They looked as if made of aluminum, left orange-tinged trail and traveled at same speed as train. They speed at 1,800 to 5,400 ft. altitude, seemed to stop and change directions at times.

Please accept the Director's wish for a very happy holiday season****

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