1924. William Pickering interpreted shading changes on the crater floor as being due to vegetation growth and migrating swarms of insects.

1953. *New York Herald Tribune* science editor John J. O'Neill reported that he observed a twelve mile long natural bridge at the western edge of Mare Crisium. It was near the intersection of Promontorium Olivium and Promontorium Lavinium, just east of Proclus crater. Some believed it to be artificial, others saw nothing.