

November 6, 1961.

Dear Jim,

I liked your Bonnet & Nova Section letter very much. Just the right tone, I thought. We have run off the required number of copies which are enclosed herewith. I have kept out copies for Geoffrey and myself but I think it would be nice if you mailed a copy to each of the other Montreal Centre people on the list. That way we know for sure that they are kept informed. Perhaps you could add a little personal note.

Regarding le Centre Francais and the Quebec Centre, I must admit that we did not think of translating letters into French for them. It's a nice idea but it would lead to complications, I'm afraid, for if one co-ordinator did it they would expect the others to do likewise and for the co-ordinators who know no French at all this would be a real problem. Le Centre Francais people on the mailing list are all bilingual, and although the Quebec people might not speak fluent English I don't think they'd have any trouble reading it. Perhaps you could just add a little personal note to their copies saying that it is O.K. to reply in French. Also, I don't think we should attempt to supply the report forms, etc. in French. It would add considerably to the work and expense to stock forms in both languages.

In their last newsletter the Halifax Centre quite enthusiastically supported the idea of a national programme. At present they are doing Aurora, meters & naked-eye sunspot work and I think they will be one of the first to respond to your appeal. Here again, a little personal note letting them know that we are aware of what they are doing already might bring results.

Thank you for all the reports you enclosed with your letter. By the way, I haven't seen it yet but I hear that you and

Vic are mentioned in the November SKY AND TELESCOPE re.
observations of Echo I.

We shall go ahead with reproduction of the initial
supply of your four instruction and report forms. Let me
know if you want these mailed to you or if you will wait
until you come to Montreal in December.

Best regards

Dabe Williamson