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- ★ The next number of *SF News* will give details of the programme from September '58 to February '59.

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HOW WILL THE WORLD END?

It was an interview with Professor Fred Hoyle in the *Evening Standard* that started us off again on this line of thinking. Years ago we had read a book with a similar theme, and the author gave several theories—you paid your money and took your choice.

There was, of course, the one that the man in the street favours—that the sun will brown us all to a cinder one of these fine summers. This, incidentally, is the end that Hoyle predicts for certain: 'The sun will get bigger and bigger and we will get hotter and hotter, and eventually the sea will boil and the earth will just melt,' he says.

The opposite view, that the sun will get weaker and weaker and a new ice age will put an end to it all, gets support from a less cheerful section of humanity.

By collision. This is good for the paying customers obviously, having got Hollywood's attention with a film version of Philip Wylie's sf tale *When Worlds Collide*.