

## Flying Saucers Spotted In Sky By Illinois Man

JOLIET, Ill.—(UP)—A railroad engineer said yesterday he saw "about nine" spinning discs speeding through the sky last Tuesday, the same day an Idaho flier said he saw some flashing "flying saucers" in the air.

Charles Kastl, 60, an employee of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad for 38 years, said he saw the discs at about 3:20 p. m. as he was walking along a highway to work.

No other person in the Joliet area reported anything unusual.

### May Be Jet Planes Army Officer Says

WHITE SANDS, N. M.—(AP)—Lt. Col. Harold R. Turner says "flying discs" reported seen in several western areas Wednesday night may have been jet airplanes.

The White Sands proving ground commandant said in an interview that jet planes have circular exhaust pipes and that these when heated might give an illusion of discs.

The area over which the "flying saucers" were reported seen widened to southwestern New Mexico yesterday.

First reports of such objects came from Pendleton, Ore., the same night when Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Ida., business man, reported seeing nine of them weaving across the sky. Similar reports came from Oklahoma and Idaho.

Kastl said he saw a string of flat, circular objects going faster than any plane he ever saw, about 10 to 12 miles east of Joliet. They were flying at about 4,000 feet, he said.

"They appeared to be very high, and were going from north to south," he said. "I could see no connecting link between them, but they acted as though the leading disc had a motor in it to power the others, because when it flipped, the others would too. When it would right itself, the others would right themselves."

Kastl said he did not tell anyone but his wife about seeing the objects until yesterday, "because I didn't think anything about it."

When he returned from a railroad run yesterday, however, he learned that Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Ida., pilot, had reported seeing objects similar to the ones he claimed to have seen. Arnold said he saw objects over mountains in the Pacific northwest. Arnold said he saw the "objects" at 6 p. m. about three hours later than Kastl reportedly saw a similar sight.

Charles Freuch, head of the Joliet Astronomical Society, said there would be no natural cause for a display such as Kastl described.

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