

Flying Saucers - -

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over the southern California city. Near unanimity was recorded on some of the discs' characteristics—terrible speed, bright reflection, raised or oval in shape, flat and flying with a peculiar undulating motion. Sims was most emphatic in his report by Capt. Smith of United Air Lines as "hard to judge" without knowing the distance from the observer to the objects.

Meanwhile Kenneth Arnold, the man who first reported them, could recall his experience when his report was widely questioned, that "I don't believe it either—but I saw it."

CINCINNATI, C., July 5.——Folks in Pickaway county, who have been following the "flying saucer" mystery, became excited today when Sherman Campbell found a strange object on his farm.

It was in the form of a six-inch wide, covered with indistinct markings, and was attached to the top were the remains of a balloon with a neck 75 inches in circumference.

The Post-Columbian airfield weather station at Columbus said the description tallied with an object used by the Army Air Force to measure wind velocity at high altitudes by the use of radar.

Some of the flying discs reported seen in various parts of the country were much larger and flying at terrific speed.

COLUMBUS, O., July 5.——Louis E. Starr, National Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, told the VFW Ohio encampment today that he was expecting information from Washington about "the fleets of flying saucers."

He indicated the information would help explain the discs, reported to have been sighted in various parts of the country.

"A telegram containing the information, Starr added, was due here at 10 p. m. (CST) but did not arrive. He promised to read the contents to the convention.

The VFW commander, whose home is Powell, Ore., did not indicate the source of the anticipated information.

After making the announcement, he remarked:

"Top secret is being told to the people of this country."

LOS ANGELES, July 5.——The Evening Herald and Express quoted an unnamed scientist in nuclear physics at California Institute of Technology today, as suggesting that "transmission of atomic energy" experiments might be responsible for the flying saucers.

The newspaper described him as a researcher on the Manhattan atomic project and said he asked that his name be withheld. It quoted him as saying:

"Flying saucers so-called are capable of high speeds but can be controlled from the ground. They are 20 feet in width in the center and are partially rocket propelled on the skirt."

The paper said such experiments are being conducted at Murco Dry Lake, Calif.; White Sands, N. M.; Portland, Ore., and elsewhere. It further quoted the scientist as saying:

"Flying saucers are not weird things. Such flying discs actually are in experimental existence."

In Chicago, Dr. Harold Urey, atom scientist at the University of Chicago, commented "Transmission of atomic energy sounds like alchemy. You can't transmit matter, not energy."

DENVER, July 5.——David Lilienthal, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, told the Denver Post in a telephone interview tonight that the flying saucers reported throughout the nation were in no way connected with atomic experiments.

The Post said a reporter held this short phone conversation with Lilienthal in Washington.

The reporter explained the purpose of his call, and related reports that a "hot" coast scientist had said the discs were related to "transmission of atomic energy."

Lilienthal interrupted to say "of course, I can't prevent anyone from saying foolish things."

The Post reporter asked, "Can you shed any light on the matter?"

Lilienthal replied, "no."

"Is it in any way connected with experiments in atomic energy, the transmission of matter, or alchemy research?" the reporter asked.

"No," said Lilienthal, who two

Seeks Nomination



J. D. Wallace has announced his candidacy for nomination for Sheriff of Madison County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary on July 18.

added in closing the conversation, "until someone has the facts about this phenomenon, I can't see how anyone can say anything definite about it."

Two Chicago astronomers said the discs are probably "man-made."

"The undulating, flashing objects 'could' be meteors," said Dr. Gilbert Knapp, director of the University of Chicago's Yerkes Observatory, Williams Bay, Ill.

"We realize," said Dr. Oliver Lee, director of Northwestern University's Deaton Observatory, "that the Army and navy are working on all sorts of things to know nothing about."

Lee said the discs might represent the same sort of thing as sending radio signals in the form of one of the greatest technological achievements of the war and accomplishment in absolute secrecy.

Col. F. J. Clark, commanding officer of the Staffed Engineering works in the Pacific Northwest where the largest saucer influx has been reported, said the saucers were not coming from the atomic plant there.

"I have been waiting for someone to tie the discs to the Hanford atomic plant," he said. He declared that as far as he knows no experiments were being done there which would solve the mystery.

Brig. Gen. Thomas F. Farrell of New York City Housing Authority, who aided in the development of the atomic bomb during World War Two, said in Albany, N. Y., that he questioned all statements whatsoever between atomic experiments and those reported discs or saucers.

Two persons in different sections of Charleston, S. C.—one of them a newspaper reporter—saw a flying saucer on Saturday. Charleston heading east at 6:20 p. m. EST Saturday at about the same time two men in Albany, Ore., saw a single disc flash southward, halt, and retrace its course before vanishing into a cloud.

J. E. Johnston, Warrenton, Iowa, said he saw one Saturday, too. His description—about the size of a dinner plate, and only some 25 feet above ground—was at odds with most reports which have said the saucers were big and flying at great heights.

States where the discs have been reported included Arkansas and Tennessee.

Congress Seen - -

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United States will let them down.

Some diplomatic authorities say the Marshall plan probably will provide the most critical test of bipartisan conduct of foreign policy since Congress passed the British loan program a year ago last month.

And while their home governments are at present with eagerness to the British-French invitation to meet in Paris July 14, European envoys watch every shift in the American, and particularly the Congressional, attitude toward the program.

Essentially, the plan is to develop an integrated European economy with financial aid from the U. S.

The developments which are deeply influencing thinking at the capital are reliably said to have begun with Foreign Minister Molotov's rejection of the plan. They were further said to embrace Pres-

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