

# CANADA PLANS FLYING SAUCER OBSERVATORY

## Not Optical Illusions, Top Experts Hold

OTTAWA, Nov. 12 (CTPS)— Establishment of a Canadian government observatory for flying saucers, the first in the world, has been announced here.

"There is a very high degree of probability that flying saucers are real objects, and a 60 per cent probability that they are alien vehicles," Wilbert B. Smith, scientist appointed to supervise the new saucer sighting station, told reporters.

He said the federal transport department, in which he has charge of the telecommunications broadcast and measurement section, receives constant reports of sighting of flying saucers. The total number, he said, is classified as restricted information.

"The optical illusion explanation is lovely," he said, "but in every sighting there is always some factor that precludes this explanation. We have decided to try to learn just what they are."

Canada's sighting station will be at Shirley bay, on the Ottawa river 10 miles west of here. Smith said any one location in Canada is sure to have at least one saucer sighting a year. Associated with Smith in the project, which is under the transport department and the defense research board, will be a theoretical physicist and a specialist in gravitational studies.

A 24-hour watch will be kept for saucers. Specially built equipment is wired to alarm bells. The equipment includes an ionospheric reactor, electronic devices for measurement of sounds, a gamma ray detector, a gravimeter, and other paraphernalia.

Jet planes may be sent up from the air force field near Ottawa to investigate any saucers reported by the station.

Defense research scientists here never have pooh-poohed flying saucers, which have been publicly reported in nightmarish shapes and forms over Canadian cities. Some of them have been described as multicolored cigar figurations.

Frequency of the saucer sightings has been noted here to rise with the increase in proximity of the planet Mars to the earth.

Smith said he does not rule out the possibility that the saucers may come from outer space.

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