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MENU OF THE FUTURE:

It's 'Wild New World' Dished Up in Saucers

"Flying saucers," observatories on the moon, high-flying rockets and earth satellite vehicles carrying weapons and possibly men to whirl endlessly far out in space, today seem like pipe dreams of a mad world of fantasy.

They may be harbingers of a wild new world to come.

The air force, as early as last spring, said officially that the flying saucers "are not a joke."

Air force authorities even now may be preparing an announcement stating that the flying discs are real objects, not merely figments of imagination as far as the air force is concerned, The Mirror learned yesterday.

That would seem to remove the flying discs from the realm of old wives' tales and the bubble talk of guys who have had one or two snifters too many.

Possibilities that the saucers are missiles launched from a foreign planet are given serious consideration.

The U.S. defense department's announcement of plans considering a super spaceship, to be kept under control while traveling an orbit around the earth, lend credence to reports of satellite missiles.

No such ship has as yet been built, according to the best informed sources. But ideas for one haven't been forgotten.

Gravity gradually falls off far out in space beyond the earth, scientists explain. It never quite ends, they say, but at 5000 miles it is relatively weak.

"A spaceship could easily be kept in position there," according to Dr. Lloyd Motz, a Columbia University astronomer.

"If left to itself it would gradually return to earth," he said. "But it would take very little thrust, from small rockets discharged at intervals to keep it where it was wanted."

To get it up there, the spaceship would have to leave the earth at an initial velocity of 25,000 miles an hour, to escape the pull of gravity.

At such speeds, present known metals would melt because of friction.

But in other worlds, far from our own earth, perhaps

better metals have been developed.

It is the wildest kind of speculation, but the flying discs may be the first calling cards from an interstellar neighbor.

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