

Saucers'—Some See 'Em and Some Don't

Gander for Saucers

VFW Chief Awaiting Message From Capital on Flying Discs

The national leader of the Veterans of Foreign Wars said yesterday in Columbus, Ohio, that he was momentarily expecting word from Washington which would explain the "flying saucers" mystery.

Louis E. Starr, national commander of the VFW, told the Ohio State encampment of the VFW that he might have "within a few hours" an explanation from Washington. He had expected the message at 3 p. m. but it did not arrive, he said.

"Too little is being told the people of this country," Starr told the delegates.

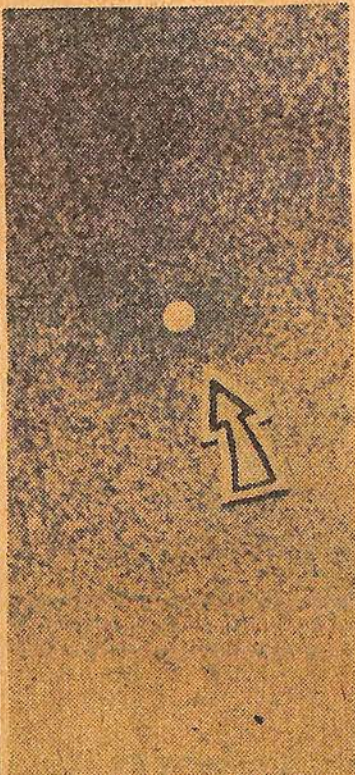
Hundreds of persons in about 30 States have reported seeing the silvery saucer-shaped discs speeding through the skies at tremendous speeds.

An exhaustive check with the War Department and other agencies disclosed last night that no new formation was available in Washington. No one knew anything. But a new tendency to take the reports a bit more seriously was apparent. As the mystification waxed, the scoffing waned.

Some of the mystery missiles may have passed over Washington Friday night at about midnight.

David Atamian, 5160 Shoemaker lane, Friendship Heights, Md., reported that he had seen three or four of the flying saucers traveling northward at a rapid rate of speed at about that time. He said they were at an altitude of between 1000 and 2000 feet and appeared to be of a bright, bluish hue.

The flying saucers produced a series of speculations and at-



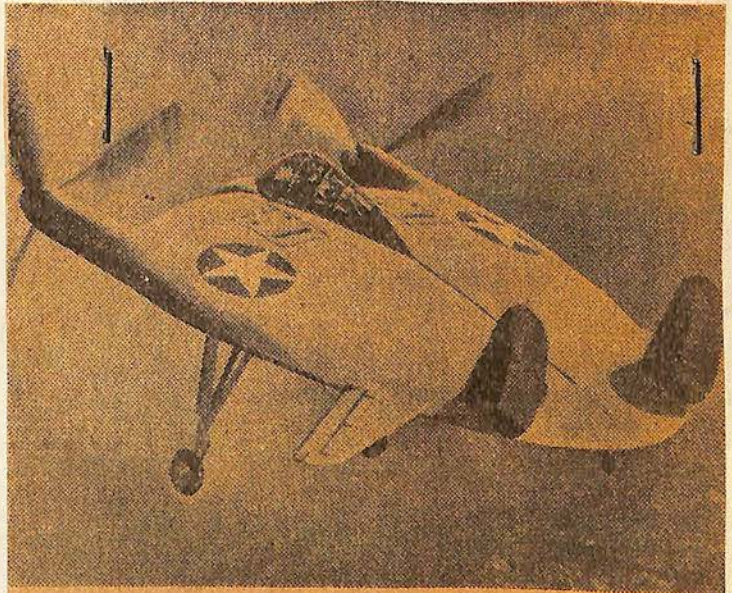
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IS IT?—Coast Guardsman Frank Ryman, 27, made this picture with a Speed Graphic camera from the front porch of his Seattle, Wash., residence. It shows, says Ryan, a "white saucer" (arrow) that is neither an airplane, a cloud, nor a silver balloon. So, is it a "flapjack" or a saucer? Or maybe a bottle cap? Photo is enlarged about 20 times



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DAVID ATAMIAN, of 5160 Shoemaker la., Friendship Heights, Md., said he saw three or four flying discs Friday about midnight

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THIS IS NOT ONE OF 'EM, SAYS THE NAVY—The "flying pancake," a wingless plane developed by the Navy, is the only plane it has which might resemble the reported "flying saucers," but officials in Washington said yesterday that this strange-looking aircraft has never left Bridgeport, Conn. Authorities are still skeptical that the mystery missiles said to have been seen in the skies over the West Coast and as far East as the Carolinas are any sort of new airplane

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