

Atom Experiments or Bunk?

Delusions or Factual, Those Flying Saucers Have Nation Eyeing Skies; 5 Seen in D. C. Area

"And there shall be signs in the heavens. And wise men will mock them and the learned revile, but unto the chosen the signs shall be revealed and they will have wisdom and knowledge."—Ancient prophecy.

By JAMES COLLIGAN

The words of the prophecy were being fulfilled last night in Washington and throughout the nation as thousands of official and scientific observers and just ordinary people searched the skies for flying saucers—and plenty of watchers

were seeing them, including five in the Washington area.

Scientists, for the most part dismissed the "saucers" as optical illusions, figments of the imagination or "someone having a little fun," but the reports continued to pour in.

By now they have been seen in every part of the country, from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico and from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

The reports grew in "authenticity" with their increase in volume. A farmer in Ohio came up with a piece of one, a "scientist in nuclear physics"

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threw out hints of mysterious atomic energy experiments, another observer claimed to have a picture to back up what he saw.

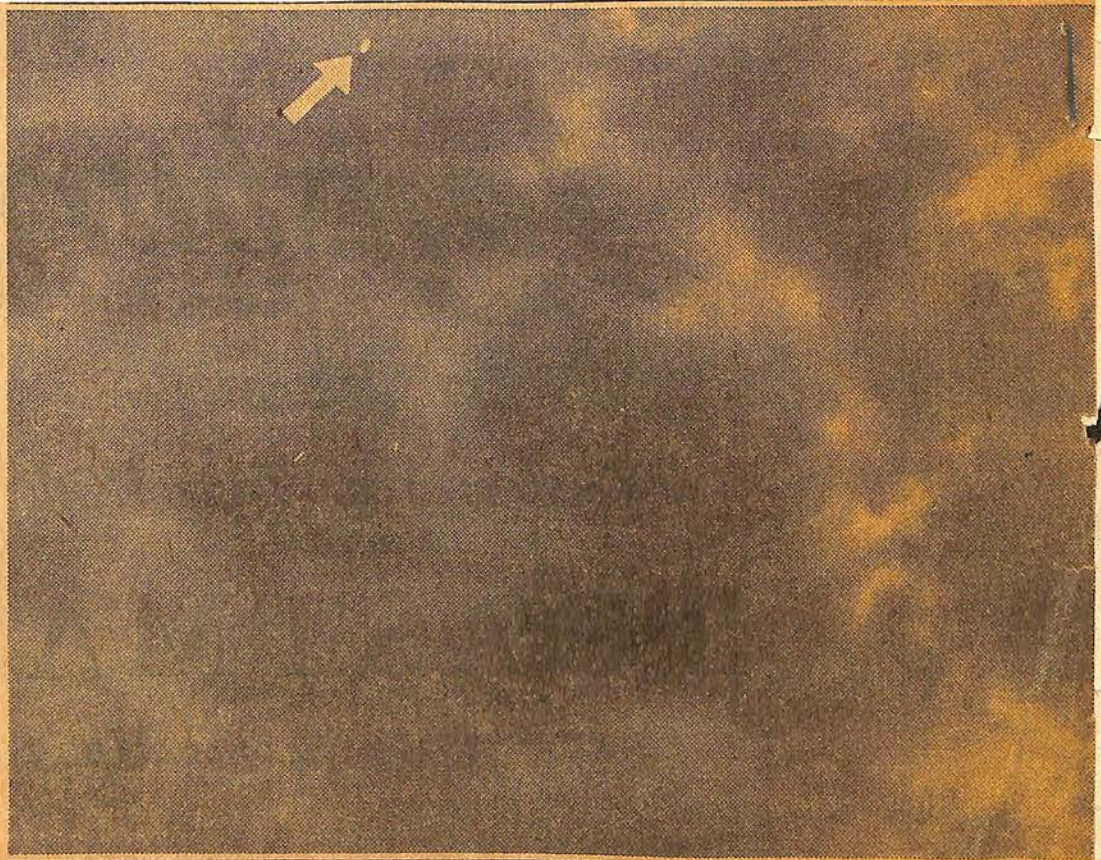
Louis E. Starr, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, announced he expected an "explanation from Washington" within a matter of hours. He hinted to newsmen at Columbus, Ohio, that the Government is holding out on the public about the "saucers," and commented: "Too little is being told the people of this country."

Stationary at Alexandria

A mother and daughter in Northeast Washington reported yesterday they saw three huge things hurtling through the sky last Thursday but were afraid to say anything for fear of what might be said about them. Even yesterday they asked that their names be withheld.

The "things," according to these observers, looked like dishes and made a noise like jet-propelled planes. They were traveling so fast they disappeared an instant after they were observed.

Mrs. Martin Kole, 3200 block Valley Dr., Alexandria, called her local police station to ask about the round, flat bright light she



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Is It Saucer, Sorcery, or Just Plain Sausage?

Reports of "flying saucers" were laughed off by authorities until many witnesses, including reliable pilots and servicemen, said they had seen the plate-like objects whizzing overhead. Above is the picture Yeoman Frank Ryman, 27, took in the Seattle twilight when he observed what seemed to him to be a flying saucer 10,000 feet high traveling at 500 miles per hour.

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