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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS
SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

DATE: March 31, 1950

Special Agent H. WARREN TOOL, JR., of the New Orleans Division, has a brother, J. K. TOOL, of the Wayne Welch, Inc., advertising agency, 202 Keith Building, 1025 14th St., Denver, Colorado. J. K. TOOL has advised Special Agent TOOL that an employee of the Wayne Welch, Inc., JEFFERSON B. ARMSTRONG, has been contacted by one GEORGE T. KOEHLER, 315 Franklin Street, telephone SPruce 2563, Denver, Colorado, regarding Flying Discs.

KOEHLER is alleged to have told ARMSTRONG in January, 1950, that he (KOEHLER), knows a prominent Denver oilman named SILAS NEWTON, also known as a "Mysterious Mr. X", and an official of the Newton Oil Co., Equitable Building, Denver, Colorado. NEWTON is claiming that he leased land in the Mojave Desert in California and that on this land a flying disc had been found intact, with eighteen three-foot tall human-like occupants, all dead on it but not burned. Further, that the disc was alleged to be of very hard metal and near indestructible. KOEHLER is said to have exhibited a radio set to ARMSTRONG purported to be a souvenir of the space disc.

According to ARMSTRONG, KOEHLER has been telling of this story off and on for the three month period prior to January, 1950, and is said to have notified ARMSTRONG of it weeks prior to the publication of a flying disc article published in the True Magazine, and one by FRANK SCULLY published in the Variety Magazine in January, 1950. KOEHLER claimed to have been visited by DONALD KEHOE, author of the article in the True Magazine.

Further data was furnished that KOEHLER had been telling the tale so prolifically in Denver that he claimed to have had telephone calls from Washington, D. C. and from the Federal Bureau of Investigation in which he was requested to keep the information to himself and that, thereafter, he became mysterious about the entire matter.

It is noted that considerable publicity regarding these discs has been found in Denver and other papers.

This information is being furnished the Bureau and the designated offices for informational purposes.

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