

AMERICAN AIRMAN SAYS HE TRIED TO CHASE A FLYING SAUCER

WASHINGTON, Monday (A.A.P.): A veteran fighter pilot reports that he tried to chase a flying saucer within 25 miles of Washington yesterday.

BERTRAM TOTTEN, a clerk at the Congressional Library, said he was flying at 5000 feet when he sighted an aluminium-colored disc about 40 feet wide and 10 feet thick. It was whirling along 1000 feet below his plane.

Totten said: "I dived toward it, but before I could get very close it zoomed up into space at several hundred miles an hour."

The saucer gave off vapor trails like those from aircraft engines, added Totten.

Over Mediterranean

Captain Ali Beayouni, a pilot of the Egyptian Mistr Airlines, told in Cairo yesterday of three silver flying saucers which he saw on Saturday over the Mediterranean, 35 miles southwest of

Haifa.

He added that they were flying in perfect triangular formation at great speed at a height of about 1200 feet.

"I was flying from Cairo to Beirut when suddenly the second pilot pointed to the west, where I saw three metallic discs travelling at a staggering speed," he said.

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He estimated that they were about the size of fighter aircraft.

Mrs. Roosevelt Impressed

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said yesterday she was impressed by the report of a "flying saucer" from two veteran airline pilots.

She interviewed Captain Jack Adams and First-Officer G Anderson on her weekly television programme.

They had caused a stir by declaring they sighted a "strange circular craft with blinking lights" speeding over Arkansas last Monday night. Mrs. Roosevelt said she had thought people who reported flying-saucers were "seeing things" until she heard the pilots' story.

She described it as "evidence we have not heard before—from qualified people."

Mrs. Roosevelt asked Captain Adams whether he thought people were aboard the saucer. "I don't know, but I am positive it was a controlled flight," he replied.

A scale model of the weird craft, fitting the pilots' description, was televised. It was shaped a Chinese coolie hat, with one large light at its pointed top. Other lights were spaced around

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the brim.