

"Flying Saucer" Reports Impress Mrs. Roosevelt

NEW YORK: Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt said 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 that they sighted a "strange circular craft with blinking lights" speeding over Arkansas on the night of March 20.

Mrs Roosevelt said she had thought the people who reported flying saucers were "seeing things" until she heard the pilot's story. She described it as "evidence we have not heard before—from qualified people."

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

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

A veteran private pilot reported that he saw a flying saucer within 25 miles of Washington on Saturday.

Bertram Totten, a clerk at the Congressional Library, said he was flying at 5000ft when he sighted an aluminium coloured saucer 40ft wide and 10ft thick. It was whirling along at 1000ft below his plane.

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

The saucer gave off vapour trails like those from aircraft engines, he said

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CAIRO: Captain Adi Basyoul, pilot of Egyptian Misr Airlines told in Cairo today of three silver flying saucers which he saw yesterday over the Mediterranean 35 miles south-west of Halfa, says the British United Press correspondent

He added that they were flying in perfect triangular formation at great speed at a height of about 1,200 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.

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