

# **Flying Saucer Ideas**

## **A Mystery in Canada**

### **JET BOMBER THEORY**

**Toronto, April 21.**

The "flying saucer," which streaked across southern Ontario's sky yesterday, is now believed in some quarters to have been a Canberra jet bomber. About the time the mystery object was sighted a twin jet Canberra, carrying Air Chief Marshall Sir Hugh Lloyd, who is the head of the R.C.A.F. Bomber Command, took off from Montreal to fly to Omaha in Nebraska. It was travelling so quickly that it sped over Toronto before its flight plan had reached the air traffic control officials.

At the height the Canberra was flying (about 30,000 feet) a vapor trail was seen over Toronto and the township of London. Royal Canadian Air Force Mustangs took off to investigate and the pilots reported that, although they pushed the Mustangs to 450 miles per hour, they were left standing. Some estimated the speed of their quarry at 1,000 miles per hour.

**What Commander's View**

### **Wing Commander's Views**

Answering a question in the House of Commons this afternoon, the Minister for Defence (Mr. Brooke Claxton) said that the mystery object was almost certainly ~~the Canberra bomber~~.

However, Wing Commander A. D. Haylett, who is the officer commanding the squadron which chased the vapor trail, is still not convinced. He said:—"I am rather firm in the opinion that it could not have been a Canberra aircraft—not at that speed. I have never been a believer in flying saucers but I am fairly sure now that there is something going on around this planet to which we should be paying lots of attention."

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