

## **AIR CHECK ON 'SAUCERS'**

# **Planes to use special cameras**

**WASHINGTON, Sun.:** The U.S. Air Force, using special cameras, would investigate flying saucer reports, a spokesman said today.

At the same time, a professor said there were no such things as flying saucers and the reports were the result of widespread hallucinations.

Major-Gen. Roger M. Ramey, Air Force Director of Operations, said the Air Force was reasonably well convinced the saucers were not solid objects.

He said Air Force officials knew of nothing in modern aviation that would fit the description given of saucers or behave as they were reported to do.

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## **Not guided**

Asked if they might be guided missiles, he said they had shown no pattern or track that established guidance.

He pointed out that they have been reported to appear and disappear almost instantly, something any known aircraft could not do.

**He discounted the possibility that strange objects were being sent here from another country or planet**

He predicted that, by using special cameras, the Air Force would be able to determine the source of any lights appearing in the sky and thus dispel much of the mystery

The professor of abnormal psychology at Washington University (Dr. J. Sprowls) said in a broadcast today flying saucers "Just ain't there."

Apologising for his lapse in grammar, aimed at emphasis, Dr. Sprowls said he attributed the deluge of reports on strange things in the upper atmosphere primarily to hallucination.

Anybody looking for a real flying saucer had

real flying saucer had about as much chance as a blind man in a dark room looking for a black cat, said the professor.

There had been widespread hallucinations of various sorts after nearly every great war or disaster, Dr. Sprowls said.

"I am sorry to say this, but I actually believe not more than one in a thousand of the general population of America, or any other country, is capable of independent thought," he added.—AAP.