

“Bottled Flying Saucers”

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (A.A.P.).—A U.S. Army physicist, Mr. Noel Scott, has succeeded in producing in a large glass jar fiery objects similar to the “flying saucers” reported in U.S. skies recently.

An Army spokesman yesterday made the experiments public, because, he said, they explained at least some of the “saucer” reports.

Mr. Scott used a jar three feet high and 18 inches in diameter, in which a partial vacuum similar to that in the upper atmosphere had been created.

By introducing molecules of ionised air into the jar he created orange-red balls, discs, and shapes like mushrooms and ice cream cones.

When a magnet or a hand was moved outside the jar, the lights inside darted about with fantastic speed, turning erratically, stopping suddenly, hovering or reversing direction instantly.

Mr. Scott said that the magnet and hand, because they carried static electricity, broke up the magnetic fields to make the objects move at extreme speeds.

That was probably why no

plane had been able to catch up with the lights seen in the sky. A plane would disturb the magnetic field, and the objects would always be to the rear or in front of it.