

# Man "burnt by flying saucer"

**NEW YORK, August 24**  
(A.A.P.).—The United States Air Force said last night that a man claimed his hair had been singed by a flying saucer.

The story, told by Mr S. J. D. Desvergers, a Palm Beach, Florida, scout-master, was receiving "further study from a scientific viewpoint," said an air force intelligence officer.

Mr. Desvergers, an ex-Marine, said he was motoring on the edge of the Florida Everglades when he saw flashing lights.

He got out and he saw an object "large enough for six or eight men to stand in. It was about 10ft. high in the centre, about 30 feet in diameter, and shaped like a half rubber ball, tapering down to a three-foot thickness on the side.

"There was a phosphorous effect around the side.

## It 'hissed'

"It was only 10 feet from the ground. It made a hissing sound like a tire going down."

Mr. Desvergers said "they" (apparently meaning those

apparently meaning those in the object) shot a ball of fire at him that seemed to "float slowly at my face."

He said the hair on his arm was singed and three holes about one-eighth of an inch in diameter were burned in his scout cap.