

"SAUCER" GAVE U.S. MAN SINGE

Los Angeles, Monday.—The only man in the world to claim that he had his hair singed by a flying saucer has reported to the U.S. Air Force.

The story, told by Mr. S J. D. Desvergers, a scout-master, was receiving "further study from a scientific viewpoint," an Air Force intelligence officer said last night.

Desvergers, an ex-Marine, said he was riding in a car on Tuesday night with three scouts on the edge of the Florida Everglades when he saw flashing lights.

He walked through the scrub and saw an object "large enough for six of eight men to stand in."

"It was about 10ft. high in the centre, about 30ft in diameter and shaped like a half rubber ball, tapering down to a 3ft thickness on the side," he said. "There around the side."

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(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 small holes were burned in his scout cap.

Desvergers said the people in the object "were as afraid of me as I were of them and that was why they fired at me."