

CANADA'S SAUCER TO FLY 1500 m.p.h.

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A New York "Times" correspondent said to-day that Canada's "flying saucer" was intended to fly at 1500 miles an hour.

The correspondent said that research men at the big A. V. Roe aircraft factory, outside Toronto, had been working on the "flying saucer" for two years. Until six months ago the project had been one of Canada's most closely guarded secrets, but since then, stray facts had begun to leak out, and had been fitted together by aviation reporters.

The "Times" correspondent said it was reported that paper work on the revolutionary disc fighter had gone as far as it could go. What was needed now was money to build the prototype. The estimated cost of such a pilot model was at least 200,000,000 dollars (about £89,300,000).

"The researchers have blue printed a system of controls for the gyroscopic type of craft, but they face many tough and expensive hurdles before their 'baby' flies," the correspondent said.

"They must perfect a gas-turbine engine which would revolve at high speed about the pilot. He would control the 'plane' from a plastic bubble in the saucer's centre.

In addition they must develop an alloy capable of resisting the extreme heat generated by friction as the plane hurtles along at 1500 miles an hour.