

Canadian Flying Saucer Station Nears Completion

OTTAWA (A.A.P.-Reuter).—Canadian scientists are getting ready to welcome the men from Mars if they arrive next summer when the earth and the red planet reach their closest proximity—35 million miles.

By that time the world's first flying saucer sighting station will be completed and in operation at Saurley's Bay, 10 miles west of Ottawa, and, lest anyone think this is some joke they should see the plans made jointly by the Canadian government's department of transport and the defence research board.

The saucer sighting station is now being built and will be completed within a few weeks. It is known as "project magnet." Those manning it are directed by the department of transport "to do what you can within the limits of the establishment to prove or disprove the existence of flying saucers."

The new station will be kept in 24-hour-a-day operation to try to determine whether "sighted but un-

explained celestial phenomena follow the pattern of technology postulated" by many astro-physicists on the basis of there actually being flying saucers.

The defence research board let it be known some time ago that it was going to delve into the flying saucer question and all information on strange sightings by department of transport personnel is funnelled to it.

The department of transport has a standing order to its ship captains at sea and on the great lakes, to its meteorological men in weather stations from the American border to the North Pole and to all its other sections of Canada to report sightings of "object" in the skies.

Every 18 months the earth and Mars attain their closest proximity and this will

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full round-the-clock operation, it has been noticed that flying saucer reports coincide with this period of proximity and the Canadian scientists will this time be ready to establish the truth or fiction of the whole thing.

The transport department's telecommunications expert, Wilbert Smith, believe there is a 60 per cent "probability" of the saucers being alien vehicles from outer space. The others involved in the project are saying nothing but they are getting great new electronic aids to help them keep their ears and eyes as open as their minds.

