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our readers speak  
LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR

Another Reader Has Seen A Saucer

...The reason I am so interested is that I've seen one saucer, of course, at a great distance. Also have read the book, ABOARD A FLYING SAUCER. Found it very interesting.

Harold J. Rivett,  
Bay City, Michigan.

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Thinks Saucers Can Come From Outer Space

...I have never seen any saucers, but have read a little here and there on the subject and believe they are from outer space--or at least that it is possible that this can be true.

Mrs. Berle Adams,  
St. Louis, Michigan.

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Wants To Correspond With Persons Interested In Saucers

...Can you send me a list of persons in your area who will correspond with me about flying saucers?

I am editor of Universalist, the newest saucer publication.

One aim of Universalist is to promote saucer clubs in each community. Can a saucer club be organized in Saginaw?

Darold Powers,  
114 W. Tyler,  
Washington, Iowa.

(A flying saucer club will be started soon in Saginaw. For further details, watch the SENTINEL. -ED.)

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Sentinel One Of The Best

...Your SENTINEL is one of the best publications I receive. Keep up the good work.

Lionel Rickerfor,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

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#### Minister To Do Radio Show On Saucers

...I am a colored minister, a saucer fan, and friend of Gray Barker and Dr. Meade Layne. I'm a member of BSRA. I have world wide contact in saucers. I have tape interviews of the incident of the Flatwoods Monster at Flatwoods, W. Va. I made it on the spot, also the landing at Sudbury, Ont. I am on the ABC Network every Sunday night from 12:05 to 1:35, WKBW, the dial number is 1560, and also XEG at Monterey, Mexico, 150,000 watt station, The Voice of North America. We cover the entire globe. I contemplate a series of saucer messages beginning the first Sunday night in March from Mexico over XEG. It's 1050 on your dial. Will be heard from 1 to 2.

Elder Charles Beck,  
Buffalo, New York.

(The best of luck on your saucer program, Mr. Beck. Our readers should make an effort to catch this show. -ED.)

#### Compliments From Competitors

...I enjoy your publication very much, and think it is one of the best in the field.

James W. Moseley,  
Editor, NEXUS,  
Fort Lee, N.J.

...Just dropping you a line to compliment you on the wonderful progress you have been making with THE SAUCER SENTINEL.

Though an interesting publication from the very beginning, your last few issues were superb.

Max B. Miller,  
Editor, SAUCERS,  
Los Angeles, California.

(Many thanks to these two fine gentlemen whose publications are "musts" for the saucerenthusiast. -ED.)

an exclusive feature  
SENTINEL CONTEST BULLETIN NO. 6

Although there has been no change in the standings since the last issue, we have received a lot of material in the past two weeks from our readers, and the next issue should see the total number of recorded points go well over 2000.

#### LATEST SAUCER SENTINEL CONTEST STANDINGS

| Top Three Contestants                      |      |
|--|------|
| Mrs. John P. Hedrick, Birmingham, Mich.... | 448  |
| Mrs. Alice Schrank, Saginaw, Mich.....     | 328  |
| Alden B. Dow, Midland, Mich.....           | 260  |
| Total points thus far recorded.....        | 1578 |

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CONTEST RULES AND INFORMATION. There are no age requirements or entry fees. The idea of the contest: We are always looking for articles, new

subscriptions, our readers' opinions, etc. You readers can help out and in return get a chance to be rewarded for your efforts. Points will be awarded accordingly and when the contest is over, the ones with the most points will receive prizes. The contest opened October 15th and will close approximately June 1st, 1955. All readers are eligible no matter whether or not you believe in flying saucers. There are several ways to earn points.

**NEWS ARTICLES.** Everyday throughout the country, dozens of articles concerning flying saucers appear in local newspapers and magazines. Be on the lookout for these articles as they are worth points to you. For every such article submitted you will receive: 12 points per line if it is used as the lead article; 10 points per line if it is used elsewhere on the first page; and 8 points per line if it is used elsewhere in the SENTINEL (not on the first page). When submitting articles be sure to include the date they appeared in print and in what publications.

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**THE ADDRESS:** The saucer Sentinel, 6 Holland Court, Saginaw, Michigan.

# NEWS ITEMS

## news-release

### FLYING SAUCERS SIGHTED OVER AUSTRIAN TOWN

Steyr, Austria-Reuters-Hundreds of persons reported seeing six silver flying saucers hovering motionless for 15 minutes above this town.

The objects were described as "round and silvery." Witnesses said the mysterious craft hung motionless overhead before suddenly darting away in three different directions, leaving "reddish" vapor trails as they disappeared over the horizon.

## new-release

### MARTIAN CLOUDS NOT EXPLAINED

Cambridge, Massachusetts-Science Service-Origin of strange gray clouds billowing from the planet Mars and bright points of light on the Martian surface remain a mystery.

Sun-dogs in reverse might explain the intense flares, Dr. Dean B. McLaughlin, of the University of Michigan, suggested here, in transmitting to the astronomical journal, "Sky and Telescope," observations of these strange events by Japanese scientists. Reflection of sunlight from ice crystals in the Martian atmosphere might cause the sun-dogs in reverse.

The ash-colored clouds seen in January and March, 1950, and in February and April, 1952, might result from volcanic activity, Tsuneo Saheki

of Osaka Planetarium, Japan, reported. The brilliant flares were spotted in 1937, 1951, and 1954, he said.

Dr. McLaughlin recently proposed that the dark features of Mars may be windblown drifts of ash coming from volcanoes, not vegetation as has often been proposed. This would mean that conditions on Mars might correspond to an early stage in the earth's development, one in which oceans have yet to form and life to appear.

news-release  
SPACE SHIP BUREAU

Singapore-AP-Calling all space ships! The Universal Flying Saucer Bureau is now in business.

It got an official blessing from the government of this British colony through exemption from registration.

The Chinese chairman, Ong Chong-Seng, a rocket enthusiast, says the bureau intends to track down all rumored arrivals from outer space and encourage the idea of space travel.

news-release  
LEAR GIVES HIS REASONS FOR BELIEVING IN FLYING SAUCERS

Bogota, Columbia-AP-William P. Lear, chairman of the board of directors of Lear, Incorporated, Santa Monica, California, gives four reasons to support his belief in flying saucers.

Lear told newsmen he feels flying saucers are real, because of:

- "1. Numerous manifestations over long periods of time.
- "2. Many observations made simultaneously by reliable observers.
- "3. Great possibilities of scientific reality if the latest theory of electrogravitational field is proved.
- "4. Actual serious efforts now in progress to prove the existence of antigravitational forces, plus unusual chances of success if the missing link is discovered soon as to the method of eliminating the steam cycle link in atomic power by being able to convert atomic energy directly to electricity."

Earlier Lear said he believed flying saucers came from outer space and were piloted by beings of "superior intelligence." He said he believed they probably came from planets outside the range of observation from the earth.

Lear received the Robert J. Collier Aviation Trophy from President Truman in 1950 for developing an automatic pilot to fly jet planes. His company has a plant in Grand Rapids. Lear was in Columbia on a Goodwill visit.

news-release  
FLYING SAUCERS ARE SECRET WEAPONS OF USA AND RUSSIA SAYS EXPERT

In an article entitled "More Truths About Those Flying Saucers" which appeared in The Reynolds News and Sunday Citizen, George Klein told reporter David Rees that flying saucers are top secret weapons of the USA and Russia.

Mr. Klein is a former secret weapons expert in the German War Production Ministry and at present an engineer in Switzerland.

"They (the saucers) are a continuation of German wartime experiments," he says.

"Prototype flying saucers were built in Germany during the war. I saw one reach a height of 40,000 feet in three minutes near Frague, in 1945."

Klein says the Russians captured a scale model and top technicians at Breslau. The technicians have not returned to Germany.

And Walter Mieths, V weapon inventor and key man in saucer development, fled west and now works in the United States.

Klein in a Zurich interview said there are two types of flying saucers built today--one with a diameter of 48 feet powered by five jets and a larger model with a diameter of 126 feet and 12 jets. This, he says, accounts for the rumor that saucers often appear to change size suddenly.

Raised wing flaps lift both aircraft like a helicopter. The big one can keep stationary by turning jets down to counter-balance gravity.

Flying saucers developed in Canada by John Frost, former colleague of Sir Frank Whittle, have reached speeds up to 1500 miles per hour and have been inspected by Field-Marshal Montgomery, says Klein.

news-release

MORE ON THE STRANGE BLUE LIGHT IN OREGON

La Grande, Oregon-AP-A strange blue light is reported bobbing in the air over the Blue Mountains along the Weston-Elgin highway these cold winter nights, and no one who has seen it has an explanation.

It was first seen about two weeks ago. A State Highway Department snow plow team of Manuel (Swede) Erickson and Barney Thompson reported that they saw a blue light on the highway ahead of them. Erickson driving, told this story:

He dimmed his lights. There was no change in the blue light which seemed to be coming toward him on the highway.

Erickson stopped. So did the blue light. Then it started moving up, down, and sideways. After a moment of this, it moved upward and vanished over the trees to the left, with a hum. Erickson started up and the blue light reappeared in the sky to the right of the highway, emitting a bluish glow with an occasional blue flash, then it vanished.

A week later, Robert Backus, another night-time plow driver, stopped to check one of his chains. As he stood outside he noticed with some surprise that he was casting a shadow. Then he looked up, he said, and overhead was the blue light bobbing and from it came a humming sound.

Backus started up, he said, and the light followed a little ways, then it moved leisurely down a canyon until it was out of sight.

Others report they too have seen it and their descriptions are similar.

January 27th three reporters from the La Grande Evening Observer went to the scene. They saw no blue light, but the morning star did rise with spectacular brilliance and eerie light.

Erickson said he thought maybe it was a helicopter--but there is none known in this area. Backus, veteran of both Army and Navy, said the movement could be that of a helicopter but the sound was not. He said he didn't know what it was.

The men said they thought 500 yards was about the closest they had been to the light.

news-release

SPACECRAFT CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN CALIFORNIA

Yucca Valley, California-This convention will bring to the public new people who have been aboard various sizes of spaceships.

The convention will be presented by SPACE (Space Peoples Associated Contacts on Earth).

It will be held in Los Angeles, California, at a hall and date to be announced later. It will be sometime before March 15th. On hand will be George Williamson, Truman Bethurum, Orfeo Angelucci, Daniel Fry, Dick Miller, George Van Tassel and others. Admission will be free.

## NEW TREND ON SPACE TRAVEL

by Max B. Miller

Mr. Miller has a background of five years of research in the subject of flying saucers and kindred phenomena. In 1952 he founded and is President of the non-profit Flying Saucers International, and edits their popular publication, SAUCERS.

Over the past several years, there has been much talk, conjecture, hullabaloo and exploitation of space travel and the establishment of an orbital satellite to circle around the Earth.

Top magazines have featured articles on this, motion pictures have been made, and so forth. Dr. Werner von Braun, German rocket authority famous for his contribution to the V-2 rocket, has been largely responsible for the project's exploitation and possible success.

The group that advocates such a plan hopes to spend something like four billion dollars to construct a number of three-stage rockets to carry the equipment 1,075 miles into outer space to build the proposed satellite.

From the construction of the satellite, it is hoped that scientists will be able to eventually go to the moon and our neighboring planets.

### Present Limitations

However, there are many drawbacks to the proposed project:

1)---The heavy strain of enormous G-forces on the human body (1 G-force equals gravity, therefore 10 G-forces would be ten times the force of Earth's gravity) during acceleration to reach escape-velocity (around six miles per second).

2)---The constant danger from ever-present ultra-violet and Cosmic radiation. The ship would have to be shielded from these, though Cosmic radiation will still penetrate.

3)---The great possibility that rocket ships or the satellite may be struck by a meteoroid (the body of a meteor).

4)---The apparent insurmountable limitations of the present chemical reaction-rocket engine. The trip to the nearest planet would take many months. At the absolute theoretical maximum velocity--according to the Einstein Theory of Relativity--(which is close to 186,280 miles per second) it would take about four and one-half years to reach the nearest star. It would take some 1,700,000 years to reach the nearest galaxy (island universe), Andromeda.

The present conception of rocket travel is the utilization of a chemical bi-fuel system (presently considered is Hydrazine and Nitric Acid). It is believed by the group exploiting this method of interplanetary flight that Atomic energy may ultimately be harnessed into a force that may prove itself more desirable. To date, however, there is no indication as to just how this can be accomplished.

### Flying Saucer Study Indicates New Theory

In the recent book, SPACE TRAVEL by Kenneth W. Gatland and Anthony M. Kunesch, the authors state, in the final chapter, that even the stars are considered as possible destinations for future space ships. It would require more than 130,000 years to reach the nearest star with a chemical rocket, it is claimed, but an atomic one might need only 350 years.

Since flying saucers were first widely sighted in 1947, those who were open-minded enough to consider their existence began to wonder what propulsive power they may use.

After many years of research, the present consensus of scientific minds at work on the subject indicate that the greatest possibility is that of an electro-gravitational force--or, sometimes shortened to G-field. The reported changing color in sightings, tremendous speed, shape (a circular airfoil would seem to have definite advantages), lack of visible means of propulsion, rapid acceleration and right-angle turns while traveling at thousands of miles per hour, all seem to indicate this.

#### Savants Declare Views

Professor Hermann Oberth, world famous German mathematician and rocket authority, told the International Astronautical Congress at Innsbruck, Germany, August 1954, that he not only believed in the existence of flying saucers, but also was convinced that they are extra-terrestrial.

He added that the behavior of flying saucers ruled out any means of propulsion known to us, and certainly rocket propulsion. A possible explanation, he declared, was the use of an "Anti-gravity device".

In 1953, the Canadian Government set up "Project Magnet". This project, headed by Wilbur B. Smith, is for the development of a flying disc powered by electro-magnetic force. There are persistent, but unconfirmed rumors that the project has succeeded in its effort to harness such a power.

Smith announced that there is a 90 to 95 per cent probability that the flying saucers do exist, a 60% probability that they are "alien vehicles" (in other words, 'extra-terrestrial'), a 10% probability that they are inconceivable to man--such as some form of time travel involving a form of life other than protoplasm.

#### Advantages Over Present Conception

The question may be asked: This is all fine, but what are the advantages over the present plans of rocket propulsion?

Many. A few are listed below:

1)---Low cost of power, not the "billions" of dollars needed for fuel as in the present chemical-rocket conception. We need only to start the vehicle and it will continue in its acceleration until the desired velocity is reached.

2)---There is only one form of acceleration that we know of to date which will not cause the gravity force strain on the body: that is the pull (or perhaps "push") of gravity. Falling towards the Earth, a body accelerates at the speed of 32.2 feet per second; yet there is the sensation of "weightlessness". Therefore, we can look for no danger or discomfort from the electro-gravitation field of propulsion.

3)---The space ship will theoretically be capable of tremendous speeds within the Earth's atmosphere. (The rocket ship nor any other type of vehicle would be able to withstand the atmospheric friction and would, consequently, disintegrate.

This is because the G-field craft will have a magnetic/gravitational force-field surrounding or in front of the craft. The "air" in the immediate vicinity of the ship will be captured and move along with it--the only result being a "glow" surrounding the craft--caused by the friction of the atmosphere hitting the 'captured air'. This phenomenon has been reported many times in observations of flying saucers. This same field will prohibit ultra-violet and Cosmic radiation from penetrating the ship.

4)---Velocities near and of the speed of light should easily be achieved as it will conceivably be possible to travel along magnetic lines of force or kindred radiation. And it is conjectured that it may well be possible

to "warp space"; i.e., as presently conceived by cosmologists, space is curved. It may be possible, utilizing the G-field theory, to go directly to a distant body, not taking a circular course. But this point is much too complex and theoretical to deeply dwell upon.

#### What Is Being Done About It

Now that the trend has been established that the idea of an electro-gravitational field has far more possibilities than the previous conception of space travel, just what is being done about it.

For one thing, for the study and research in the field of gravity, the non-profit Gravity Research Foundation of New Boston, New Hampshire was founded. In a recent bulletin entitled "Gravity and Metallurgy," the Foundation's president, George M. Rideout, declared: "For six years this Foundation has been busy interesting scientists to seek a means of 'harnessing' gravity. From the first it was believed that a differential must be discovered in order to make a gravity motor. Furthermore--with the possible exception of using power for a 'self-starter' as in the case of the automobile--we insisted that no outside power be used. In other words, any acceptable motor must operate as 'perpetual motion' using only gravity or some supernatural force as power.

"So far as we now know, the above requires and awaits the discovery of an insulator, deflector or absorber of gravity in order to bring about such a differential. This thought has been the basis of 485 essays which have been submitted to the Foundation during the past six years. For the most original of these it has given awards amounting to \$10,800.

"...The history of aviation from (the Wright brothers)...to the present is well known. The famous Zeppelins, which were then being duplicated in the United States by the Goodyear Company at the expense of the U. S. Government, were soon discarded. Gradually all interest was directed to the heavier-than-air machines. The only unbeliever was Thomas A. Edison, who insisted that some means must be discovered to reduce the danger involved from falling. He insisted that the proposed helicopters, then on drawing boards and in aeronautical laboratories, would be discarded as were the Zeppelins."

The Glenn L. Martin Aviation Company recently announced its intention to begin a research project on gravity.

Aviation executive William F. Lear, developer of the F-5 electronic automatic pilot for jet planes and chairman of the board of Lear, Inc., Santa Monica, February 2nd, 1955, announced his belief in the existence of flying saucers and stated that he believes they originate from outer space.

Lear gave the following reasons for this belief:

- 1) "Numerous manifestations have been made over long periods of time.
- 2) "Many observations have been made simultaneously by reliable observers.
- 3) "There are great possibilities of scientific reality if the latest theory of electro-gravitation field is proved.
- 4) "Actual serious efforts are now in progress to prove the existence of anti-gravitational forces..."

One of the latest efforts in the range of a practical application to the solution comes in book form. The book, published February 14th by the British Book Centre, Inc., is titled "SPACE, GRAVITY AND THE FLYING SAUCER" by Leonard G. Cramp, M.S.I.A., Member of the British Interplanetary Society.

The following is quoted from the Foreward of the book:

"The theory...was originally conceived prior to the second world war, and certainly long before the term 'flying saucer' came into general use. Can it be wondered therefore that the author took more than a casual in-

terest in the significance of the many sightings? Indeed, the more he sifted the available information, the greater became his conviction that such a craft actually existed, and that there was more than a little justification for his theory. The reports coming in from ordinary people all over the world provided evidence of a phenomenon that he had hitherto only dreamt of.

"Rocket enthusiasts may naturally be reluctant to admit an entirely different conception of space travel, and may therefore adopt a sceptical attitude towards the interplanetary flying saucer hypothesis. However, it is hoped that...the flying saucer reports do suggest an alternative and more attractive method of space travel. Neither need we await further developments in physical science; the pioneer never has waited, and never will, upon others when he has become inspired by a new idea.

"...It may well be, even in our own time, that men will discover the key with which to unlock a force that is all about us and so enable us to use it for all our industries, transport, and finally, space travel."

The author goes on to say:

"Left to its natural conclusions, the development of the rocket as a space vehicle will obviously go through several stages. First, there is the bi-fuel step rocket principle that is being explored today. Secondly, the more advanced nuclear reaction rocket at present only dreamed of. Finally as a result of findings brought out by atomic research, an entirely different and far more efficient means of anti-gravity will be discovered.

"Left to itself, the evolution of the rocket to this stage will take a long time, perhaps as long as did the evolution of the internal combustion engine...

"Must we persevere with the rocket as a means of interplanetary flight? Is there no other way to hasten the process? Yes, I am convinced that there is a better way to the stars...In some respects it may be a disquieting thought to us who are rocket technicians and enthusiasts that the rocket may never be employed as an interplanetary machine. It is perhaps a discouraging thought and will not be well received by many, but if we are truly determined in our efforts to get to the stars we should welcome the possibility of a better means of doing so and be glad to examine any theory without prejudice.

Concluding, "...To cling to the rocket as a means of interplanetary transport and to deny the possibility of a better means is to exhibit a bias not worthy of scientific thought."

## SOME NEW FACTS ABOUT "FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED"

### Part III

- by James W. Moseley -

This article, which is appearing in serial form in THE SENTINEL, was written by James W. Moseley and originally appeared in his excellent saucerzine, NEXUS. It is reprinted here by special permission of Mr. Moseley.

Yes, Adamski attempted to bring Baker "back into line", as noted previously, but the present state of the controversy can be summarized by the following letter from Baker to Desmond Leslie (co-author of FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED), dated August 4, 1954. After reiterating that he did

not take the Brownie photograph, Baker states: "I am fully cognizant that words and accusations which prove unfounded are vain. So, with such an awareness and knowledge, I am proceeding to take whatever action I deem congruent with the nature of the Adamski fabrications, being confident that sufficient evidence to substantiate my claims is in my possession at this time. I readily admit that I fell victim of a hoax. I sustained the blow, and condoned the erroneous stories. But I have not supported them in any way, shape, or form. And presently, under existing conditions, I will no longer continue to condone the erroneous stories or fabrications of any party connected with flying saucers..."

Finally, here is one more extract from a personal letter written by Baker to a friend of his: "Shortly before his disappearance, Karl Hunrath called a number of people. Among these were Frank Scully, Manon Darlaine, and Mrs. Wilkinson...He denied Adamski's pictures as being real. He even told Mrs. Darlaine he saw the model. This I cannot confirm or deny. However, I can truthfully state that both Karl and I did see something one morning on our way down to the (Palomar Gardens) Cafe from our cabin, that closely resembled a skeleton for a saucer mock-up. It was a piece of wooden frame in a circular shape with strips of copper, about one inch in width, strung in circles on this wooden frame...We both questioned George Adamski about this paraphernalia behind his cabin, at which he grew somewhat uneasy and assured us that what we saw was his own television antenna. I cannot say one way or the other, that it was or that it wasn't. But it is interesting and important considering the mathematical analysis of many astronomers who claim the photos couldn't be of anything but a small model."

This same information has been conveyed to me by other reliable informants.

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#### OPINIONS DIFFER ON WORLD'S FIRST DOCUMENTARY SAUCER FILM

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- by The Staff -

Saginaw, Michigan-This week we had the pleasure of watching the world's first documentary flying saucer film. This film, which you read about in the Feb. 1st SENTINEL has now been shown in Detroit, Grand Rapids, and Saginaw.

Called "We Have Seen the Saucers," the 55-minute color sound film was made by Ande Vail Productions of Hollywood. The photography is excellent and the narrator is one of the best in the business.

#### Film Given National Publicity

When the film had its world premiere showing in Detroit January 26th, 1300 packed the large auditorium of the Detroit Institute of Arts and 200 were turned away despite the severe cold. International News Service heralded the event in 150 U.S. papers.

Henry Maday, chairman of the Detroit Flying Saucer Club, stated that he was called by NBC who wanted to show an excerpt of the film on Dave Garroway's morning TV show.

The film was shown four more times in Detroit. Many of the original audience returned and saw it again.

### Show A Success In Grand Rapids

From here, Mr. Maday packed up the film and with George "Ric" Williamson as an added attraction headed for the furniture capital.

It was a most opportune time to arrive because one of Grand Rapids' most prominent citizens, William F. Lear, chairman of the board of Lear, Inc., had also been making the national wire service and also because of flying saucers. In one week the Associated Press carried no less than four wire releases on Mr. Lear because of his opinions that flying saucers do exist and come from outer space.

So when Maday and Williamson arrived, they found the town very saucer happy indeed with the result that everyone was very happy to give their show some publicity. On February 8th, the Grand Rapids Herald carried a three-column front page story with pictures entitled "Now, Lectures on Saucers."

### Saucer Council Formed

And it was during their stay at Grand Rapids that Maday and Williamson formed the Flying Saucer Council of America. This event also was newsworthy enough to make the national wire services.

On Friday night, February 11th, the lecture-film program was given at the Fountain Street Baptist Church, and on Saturday the subheadline of the Grand Rapids Herald declared, "Flying Saucers--2 Versions; 1,000 in GR Get Conflicting Reports".

It seems that after the people had attended the program inside the church, they were met outside by representatives of the Laymen's Home Missionary Movement who passed out leaflets with a different explanation of UFOs. According to the Movement, the mysterious objects are fallen angels or evil spirits who are approaching their judgement day.

### Williamson Tells Of Speaking To Saucer

Dr. Williamson told the audience, "The only way you can know for sure whether these things are true is to wait and see. I and others can tell you what we saw. Possibly you believe us or perhaps you don't. The only way you know whether it is true is to wait and see.

The Herald reported:

What Dr. Williamson told the audience is that he and his friends talked to the crew of a flying saucer and that a radio engineer of his acquaintance has been in contact through short wave radio with a flying saucer.

Dr. Williamson said he asked the saucer man by radio two main questions:

1. "Are our atomic experiments endangering our world in any way, and

2. "Is your medical science advanced further than ours?"

Dr. Williamson said he was trying to find out answers to such diseases as cancer, polio, and arthritis.

To question No. 1 the saucer man answered:

"Yes and no. The experiments by themselves are not dangerous, but the entire solar system is moving into an area of greater cosmic ray bombardments which are causing upheavals (earthquakes, floods, bad weather) in the earth. The experiments are accelerating these upheavals," Dr. Williamson quoted the saucer man as saying.

The answer to the second question was also "no". "No disease, no medical science," the saucer man explained.

Dr. Williamson asserted the government has come to the conclusion that flying saucers exist and come from outer space but has not announced it officially because it feels the people are not ready for the information.

Mr. Lear stated in the Herald Friday that he was going to try to attend the lecture that night, but although he didn't make it, the show was considered quite a success by the Council.

#### Saginaw Attendance Small Despite Publicity

If the Council could of received a break in Saginaw like the one in Grand Rapids, the show here would undoubtedly had a larger attendance. However by Wednesday (February 16th), a goodly amount of people knew about the event taking place at the Civic Auditorium that evening.

People in the Tri-City area read about "The Flying Saucer Story" in The Saginaw News, the Midland Daily News, and The Bay City Times.

They heard about it over radio stations WBLM, WSGW, and WJNX in Saginaw and over WBCM in Bay City.

They had an opportunity to see Maday and Williamson on the very popular 6:00 newscast over WJNX-TV with Britt Tenby.

The two gentlemen were also interviewed on Hubcap Caravan (WSGW) by Fred Krell.

Posters in the store windows throughout town called attention to the show.

But, despite the publicity, only 376 persons were at the Civic Auditorium at 8:15. However, most of those who did attend felt the program was very much worthwhile and many of them stayed an hour afterwards to ask questions of the two speakers.

#### Comments Are Varied

The comments on the film have been varied. Tom Eichoff, businessman saucer researcher from Cincinnati said, "This film...is one of the most powerful documents I have ever seen!"

The Grand Rapids Herald review read as follows:

The movie got right down to cases and showed a picture of a flying saucer. Speakers insisted expert film workers had examined the film, frame by frame, and found no evidence of any trick effects.

The saucer looked like the white hats sailors wear. The upper part is translucent and the bottom part solid white. The translucent part is the ship's magnetic field Dr. Williamson theorized.

It flew back and forth across a valley with a bouncing motion like a scow in rough water.

The film was taken, speakers said, by an unnamed Hollywood executive, who saw the saucer on his way home and happened to have a loaded 16 mm movie camera handy.

The Saginaw News had a few more definite things to say about the film and the program here in general:

Last night 376 men and women and several boys in blue jeans who maybe shouldn't have been out so late went to the Auditorium to see the film, "We Have Seen The Saucers".

The film has some good zooming noises and some pretty stern music which sounds like a cross between the music from an old

Sousa band record and what they play in the movies when Col. Bleasdale's dusty troops arrive in time to chase away the Comanchos.

The film also shows only one thingamabob which is supposed to be a real flying saucer.

Anyhow, this flying saucer in the film was supposed to have been photographed by an amateur photographer, who happened to see the manifestation against a background of California countryside, unlimbered a camera he happened to have handy, and banged away.

The saucer in the film looks like a hunk of displaced fluorescent light bulb, but bunchier and a lot more active. The squealing sound which accompanied showing of the saucer phenomenon, it was explained later, was dubbed in for effect.

But the film contained a lot of testimonials from housewives, factory workers, radar operators and airline pilots who said they'd sure enough seen flying saucers.

Most of them looked like good, solid citizens, too, so maybe a person who's too skeptical is just courting a batch of cosmic black marks for a reckoning when The Little People arrive here to help restore some semblance of law and order on a planet beat up with A-bomb and H-bomb sores.

Henry Maday, Detroit advertising man who arranged the show here, talked quite a while about flying saucers and "The Cosmic Era". He said he hoped the show would provoke a little thinking that maybe this old world hasn't all the answers and that we've got to a point where we're probably on the threshold of an inter-planetary age.

Dr. George H. Williamson of Phoenix, Ariz., anthropologist who accompanied Maday, also talked along the same lines. He said people who know about electronics and radio actually have communicated with people in the saucers.

Maday and Williamson founded the Flying Saucer Council of America, which is the outgrowth of the Detroit Flying Saucer Club, headed by Maday.

Before the film was shown, a Mr. Rivett from Bay City was called to the stage to tell about a strange thing he and his wife saw in the sky one night last year. He could tell, he said, what he saw was no falling star--the way the thing acted up and because it traveled so fast.

Two boys also took the stage. "This light we seen," said one of the boys, "traveled awful fast across the sky. Kinda went across the east didn't it?" he nodded to his companion.

"Yah," said his pal, "there was four, five other guys with us. They seen it, too."

Members of the SENTINEL staff found time to ask a few people what they thought of the show. Some of the comments were as follows:

"A very entertaining and educational show. I think it was definitely something that everyone should see."

"I was very much impressed by the film and lecture. My only regret is that the lecture was not longer."

"The film was good. This doesn't mean that I think flying saucers are from outer space, though."