

Ship Officers, Crew Report Seeing Flying Saucer in Area

Nova Scotians Arrived at Marine Terminal Differ On
Description, Speed and Size of Object, But
All Agree They Saw Something in Sky

Those "things" are being seen, around Delaware now—flying saucers, that is.

The captain and crew of the Marcala, which docked yesterday at the Wilmington Marine Terminal with a load of barytes from Nova Scotia, all saw something.

Their descriptions differ as to flying altitude, distance from water, and shape of the white metallic flat object — but they all caught a glimpse of its appearance, dip toward the ocean, and departure.

This all took place about 100 miles west of Five Points Bank Light Vessel, off the mouth of the Delaware Bay, on Saturday.

Captain Nils Lewring, master of the vessel, and Third Mate Osie Parson, gave their description first.

They agreed, as did most of the crew, it was a large flat white metallic object which traveled at a rapid rate on an angle with the ocean.

The captain said it came toward them from the northwest, ran parallel with the vessel, dipped toward the water, and vanished in the northeast. He thought it looked about 10 feet long, and the same distance in diameter.

"It" reminded the mate of a large kite, somewhat diamond in shape, and he thought it was about 70 feet above the water. Unlike a kite however, it dipped and rose again rapidly.

There was nothing attached to it or on it, all the observers said.

Some believed they estimated the speed at 12 to 14 miles an hour, while others guessed at 70 mph.

One or two thought it was four to five feet wide, but still others were closer to the captain's estimate.

Captain Lewring said he didn't have time to take a photograph; the "thing" was going too fast and had gone when he was ready with the lens.

"Flying saucers" or objects fitting into that unofficial category, were reported last May by a Shipside housewife, who thought she saw an object "odd in shape and shiny silver in color."

But the Marcala crew report is the first one given by a large number of people who said they saw it at the same time and reported a simultaneous action.

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