

# Scientists Still Seek Ray Source

## Haleakala Experiments Still Being Conducted To Find Strange Rays

Definite proof that strange cosmic radiations bombarding Haleakala on the top of Haleakala are not coming "from Terra or from flying saucers" was presented by astronomer Grot Reber at the noon meeting of the Maui Rotary Club on Wednesday.

Scientist Reber says that "these strange radiations are different from any that astronomers have ever known before—from any that our sun or distant red, white, yellow, red, or blue stars give off. The location of the source of these powerful radiations has been tentatively placed within our galaxy, but far outside our planetary orbits. It seems as if there is a mysterious mechanism far out there that converts light into electro-magnetic energy like a giant dynamo and shoots it down to us. Exactly what that mechanism is, is not known."

In seeking to determine the exact nature and source of this mechanism, the scientist from the University of Illinois has constructed machinery on top of Haleakala that looks like a bridge made of wood. This machinery will measure cosmic radiations that come from its strange source in the Milky Way, and will assist Reber in assembling facts and clues that may lead him to the answers he seeks to the question: What is the source of these rays, and what is the nature of the mechanism that produces them?

Reber's research here on Maui will add greatly to the data assem-

bled by astronomers through the ages, and may open up a facet of astronomical interest that is of important and decisive character for earth dwellers. There are three places under the United States of America which lend themselves well to the measuring of these radiations, and all three are out here.

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