

A case for the flying squad

A YORKSHIRE policeman has, under hypnosis, described seeing a flying saucer manned—if that's the word—by "a tall humanoid and eight small robots."

Recognising a humanoid when he sees one, especially at 5.15 on a late November morning in Todmorden, proves again how wonderful our policemen are.

On the other hand, he could have seen a jet-powered pumpkin carrying

Mirror Comment

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs back from a night out in Barnsley with Arthur Scargill.

True, he says there were eight small creatures. But perhaps he counted Dopey twice. That would be understandable.

Alternatively, he may have stumbled upon a Tory Party meeting being addressed by Sir Geoffrey Howe. If "humanoid" means anything at all, it certainly describes Sir Geoffrey.

This theory would also account for

the audience being mistaken for robots.

We can rule out that it was Count Dracula travelling with a miniaturised retinue. Contrary to legend, the Count was a kindly man, not taken to frightening innocent coppers.

More boringly, the P.C. may just have been dreaming.

The world teems with solid, stolid, reliable, hardworking and trustworthy citizens who believe passionately in Atlantis, the Second Coming, the Bermuda Triangle, flying saucers and economic recovery under Mrs. Thatcher.

Sad to say, they are all fantasies.

Quiz for UFO cop

THE police constable at the centre of a UFO mystery is to be quizzed by his bosses. Pc Alan Godfrey, 34, described under hypnosis how he was taken aboard an alien spaceship while he was on patrol in Todmorden, West Yorks. A senior officer said last night: "There is no police concern over his allegations."