



Constable Willey (left) and Constable Waycott near the spot where the object vanished.

PCs PLAY TAG WITH LIGHT IN THE SKY

By DOUGLAS SLIGHT

TWO police officers yesterday described a strange glowing object which they saw in the sky.

They told how the object seemed to lead their patrol car on a fantastic game of tag along country roads.

Constable Roger Willey, 28, who was driving the patrol car, said: "It was star-shaped, and I would say it was bigger than any aircraft."

He went on: "It was hovering about treetop height over wooded countryside at Brandis Corner, near Holsworthy, Devon."

The time: About 4.10 a.m.

Constable Willey added: "We drove towards it and it moved away. It then led us on a chase as if it was playing a game with us."

Bright

The other policeman, Constable Clifford Waycott, 33, said: "I have never seen anything like it before. It glowed brightly."

The "chase" ended at Okehampton, Devon, where two other policemen saw the object before it disappeared from sight.

Constable Willey said: "I definitely got the impression that it was keeping observation on us. But, at the same time, it didn't want us to get too close."

The officers estimated

that they followed the object for about thirty miles as it doubled back and forwards along the road.

Mirror Science Reporter ARTHUR SMITH writes:

The "unidentified flying object" was probably the planet Venus, which rose above the horizon at about that time.



A photographic technician made this impression of the light in the sky.