

## New Light On "Flying Saucer" Mystery

"FLYING SAUCERS," which some people said they saw over Melbourne last night, were these balloon lanterns. Weather observers use them twice a night to measure the velocity and direction of upper winds and cloud ceilings. Today they demonstrated (above) the lantern in launching position and (below) its construction — a waxed container with a one-inch candle inside. The candle burns for half an hour but if the balloon were to collapse before, the upward surge of wind would snuff the candle, eliminating fire risk. The low cloud ceiling last night made it appear that the orange candle flame was changing color.



