

# **FLYING SAUCER ?**

## **STRANGE OBJECT OVER INVEROONA**

A strange object was seen in the air over Inveroon yesterday afternoon, over Inverroona yesterday afternoon, by at least three responsible persons, and their stories seem to indicate that Bowen has a "flying saucer" all its own. Our interest was aroused when reports reached us this morning that at least two people had seen a strange shining object in the air over Inverroona at about 5.15 p.m. yesterday, because one of our staff driving along the Showgrounds road at that time had also seen it. From descriptions it appears that the object was partly circular in shape, without wings, and it made no noise. It was seen at a height not exceeding five thousand feet, and at first glance gave the impression of a polished airliner reflecting the sun's rays. However, the absence of sound, the apparent absence of wings, and the fact that it gradually appeared to diminish and vanish towards the North, intrigued the beholders.

Here are the stories:

Our reporter was driving a car along the Showgrounds road about 5.15 p.m. yesterday when he saw a brightly shining object in the sky towards the mouth of the Don River. As the car's engine did not enable him to notice the absence of sound he took it to be an aircraft catching the sun's

it to be an aircraft catching the sun's rays, and took no further notice.

Miss Leslie Kenny, of the Town Council staff, was riding a bicycle to her home at Inverroona when she saw a shining object in the air, not more than 5000 feet up, and probably less. This was also at about 5.15 p.m. She described it as resembling a waning moon in shape. She was struck by the absence of sound, which would have been apparent from a plane, and the lack of wings. It appeared to be moving towards the mouth of the Don, diminishing in size until it disappeared. Miss Kenny rode on home, and called her mother, Mrs. H. E. G. Kenny, to see it, but by this time it appeared to Miss Kenny as a distant star, while her mother could not locate it.

Mrs. Helen Richards, who also lives in the Inverroona area, saw the object at the same time, in company with her husband, who also saw it. Mrs Richards said at first she thought it was a small aeroplane catching the sun's rays, but as with Miss Kenny, she noticed the apparent absence of noise and of wings. The object's shape was indefinite, and as she watched it disappeared in the direction of the Don mouth.

Inquiries today at the offices of A.N.A. and Qantas airlines showed that they had no planes in the air over this area on Thursday, around 5.15 p.m., and they knew of no others. This paper's representative has re-

**This paper's representative has reported the matter to Brisbane, in the hope of having some light thrown on the mystery.**

**On mentioning the occurrence to several other people, they recall seeing a shining object in the sky towards Inverroona on Wednesday afternoon, about the same time as it appeared on Thursday, and they took it to be a helicopter, because of its bulky shape and slow progress. The circumstances are intriguing, to say the least.**