

WIDE AREA COVERED BY "FLYING SAUCER"

"Flying saucers" have made the news again, with reports that a bright object was seen "streaking across the sky" on Wednesday night above North Coast centres.

Residents in Murwillumbah, Lismore, Kyogle, Mailanganee and Kempsey reported having seen the object at 7 o'clock on Wednesday.

A meteorologist in Sydney, however, has stated that the phenomenon was a comet closer than usual to the earth.

Opinions in Lismore differ as to the type of the object. Two guests of the Winsome Hotel say that it appeared to be lights of an aeroplane, although it was bright and moved fairly fast.

Mr. Monty South, on the other hand, is quite definite that what he saw from the corner of Keen and Conway Streets was different from anything he had seen before.

He said it tallied with the report of the object seen by residents of North Tumbulgum, Murwillumbah.

Mrs. Noel Holmes, from that centre, said the object seen by her and her husband and Mr. A. Smith was round and had a tail. It was moving in an east-west direction.

When Mr. South saw the object it was moving at a fairly fast rate above the ambulance station south

above the ambulance station south towards the Lismore gasworks.

The report from Kyogle was made by Mr. J. Bodero, of Highfield, who noticed a round blue object streaking across the sky east of Kyogle towards the south-west.

It appeared to be at a compara-

tively low altitude over the range of hills between Kyogle and Larnook and continued on a course parallel with the ground.

Mr. Bodero said that he did not notice any tail to the object, as described by Mrs. Holmes, of Tumbulgum.

At Mallanganee the object was seen by a group of five people as they stood on the roadway. They were Mr. and Mrs. C. Alvos, Mrs. H. Cox, Miss P. Glynn and Mrs. C. Alford.

It appeared in the north-east and was described by those who saw it as a bright meteor with a long tail.

The last seen of the object was when it disappeared over hills to the south of Mallanganee.

Mrs. Alford said no noise was heard, but this may have been due to the great height at which the phenomenon was travelling. The object appeared to fall as it disappeared over the hills.

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Mrs. Roy Patterson, of Gladstone, 12 miles from Kempsey, said she, with her husband, two children and two neighbours, saw what looked like a brilliant electric light pass straight along the sky in a southerly direction at a terrific rate. "My thoughts instantly turned to 'flying saucers'," said Mrs. Patterson.