

LOCAL IN "FLYING SAUCER"

Local member of the R.A.A.F. spent two days in a "Flying Saucer" at the week-end, but emerged scathless after two days. He is Aircraftsman J. L. Sullivan, of Farm 352, Leeton. Aircraftman Sullivan is an armament mechanic.

He is a member of No 22 (City of Sydney) Squadron, but it would be as well to remember, however, that this "flying saucer" was truly Australian and well under control, also.

In an air defence exercise over Sydney area, which had a code name of "Operation Flying Saucer," No. 22 Squadron and No. 23 (City of Brisbane) Squadron took part. Their Mustang fighters in conjunction with Vampire jet fighters from the R.A.A.F. operational training base at Williamtown, provided the defending air cover. The Air Force trains its jet fighters for Korea at Williamtown.

"Enemy" bombers were made up of Lincoln heavy bombers from Brisbane and Beaufighters from Canberra.

Radar warning points and co-ordinating centres were manned together by Active Reservists and members of the Permanent Air Force, and the co-operation seen has been praised by high-ranking officers.