

FLYING SAUCER REPORTS SOUGHT

MELBOURNE. — The Department of Civil Aviation wants to receive reports from people who have seen unidentified aerial objects.

The superintendent of the department (Mr. R. M. Seymour) said that people who believed they had seen unusual objects in the sky should not keep the information to themselves for fear of ridicule.

"We do not regard this business as a joke," said Mr. Seymour.

"People are definitely seeing objects, many of which have not been explained."

Britain, Canada and the United States were doing intensive research into unexpected aerial objects, he said.

Official data had already been issued in America on radar observations of fast-moving unidentified objects.

He said that since November, 1951, the Department of Civil Aviation had received nine reports of strange aerial objects.

The reports came from New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland.

Informants included an airline captain, the crew of an R.A.A.F. bomber, an aerodrome groundsman and officers of the Civil Aviation Department.