

JET, NOT FLYING SAUCER

Adelaide: Here's a flying saucer report today, which can be simply explained.

Two people, 100 miles apart, rang the Adelaide authorities with "positive" reports that a flying saucer had just passed over S.A. flying north-west, about 10 a.m.

"It was travelling at a terrific speed," they reported, and was leaving a great trail of white smoke." One report was from a woman at Moorook and the other from a man at Burra.

The answer was simple.

A Vampire jet fighter was streaking along at 35,000ft. en route from Laverton, Victoria, to the Woomera Rocket Range and was positioned in that area about that time.

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At 35,000 feet vapor trails, giving an illusion of white smoke, were almost certain to form, the authorities said.

Bees ?

An Adelaide woman today offered a possible answer to the report from Melbourne yesterday that Mr. J. M. Boyle had seen an unidentifiable object like a rectangular sheet of aluminium flying over southern Melbourne suburbs at 11 a.m. on Sunday. The woman was Mrs. V. Re^g, of Grosvene, who said she had seen similar things herself.

• "Bees, were the answer," she said.

"A swarm of bees changes its shape rapidly, and the sunglinting on their wings can give an illusion of swift movement. Against the plain background of the sky, it might be difficult to gauge height and distance."
