

"Flying Candle" Report

A perpendicular, candle-shaped object flying in the direction of Wynyard was seen yesterday morning by many Smithton residents.

MR. B. H. WRAGG, who was a plane spotter during World War II, said last night the object definitely was not an aeroplane.

She said her 16-year-old daughter, Kay, with several other children first saw the object. Mrs. Wragg went outside and saw the "candle" appear from behind a cloud. It was travelling towards Wynyard and in the opposite direction to which the clouds were moving.

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It was very high and made a slight high pitched sound. She did not see it continuously as there were small clouds in the sky.

"It looked exactly like a wax candle, even to the colour," said Mrs. Wragg.

Reports of the object also came in from other parts of the town.

In all accounts, the "candle" was similar. In some cases flame was noticed at one end.
