

# Expert Thinks "Saucer" Was Planet Venus

Commenting on the report by a Perth business man that he had seen what he believed to be a flying saucer from his Floreat Park home just before 8 p.m. on Sunday, the Government Astronomer (Mr. H. S. Spigl) said yesterday that the phenomenon was probably the planet Venus.

He had discussed the matter with the business man, he said, and, allowing for a reasonable error in time and altitude estimation, he thought this the probable solution.

Venus had been in the region described about that time on Sunday though a little lower than the position estimated by the observer, and would have given an appearance such as that described if seen through the intermittent clouds in the sky that night.

The business man had admitted that he was not well acquainted with the celestial bodies, Mr. Spigl said.

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