

RAAF chief

HE'S SEEN A SAUCER

MELBOURNÉ, Friday. — Air Marshal Sir George Jones, former R.A.A.F. Chief, believes in flying saucers.

He said today that he had seen one.

He said it was a "brilliant white light at the bottom of a shadowy shape, like a transparent balloon."

Sir George, who has been in the Air Force for 35 years, accumulated more than 5,000 flying hours.

He told a group of Rover Scouts yesterday that he saw a "flying balloon" on October 16 last year.

Sir George said the "flying balloon" travelled overhead, absolutely silently, at about the speed of a Sabre, "when you see it fly at about 500ft."

Sir George, who was Chief of Air Staff during the war years, said today, "Nothing could shake me from my belief in what I saw.

"But I wished I had four or five witnesses.

**"Brilliant
light"**

"I have reported it, but have been loath to talk of it publicly lest people should think I was either an incompetent witness or getting a little screwy in the head."

Sir George said he had seen a meteor disintegrate and it wasn't like that. He would swear, too, that it wasn't a reflected light.

Sir George said that another aspect of it was that it was travelling very fast and in a "purposeful way."

He said that one description of it could be that it looked like a meteorological balloon with an extremely white light at the bottom of it—but meteorological balloons "don't float over at 400 m.p.h."