

# Venus causes U.F.O. scares

The planet Venus, which can be seen of an evening in the western sky, glowing brightly and bigger than a normal star, has alarmed many people.

Four teenagers, Raymond Siviour, 19, his sister Debbie, 18, and Carol, 15, who went spotlighting on their parents' farm at Verran on Sunday night, with Richard Siviour, 19, also of Verran, noticed the bright light hovering towards their neighbouru's property.

As they watched it through binoculars it seemed to change colors, fade and glow back brightly, and then appeared to be coming towards them, so the group headed for home, rather shaken.

The following night as Mr Siviour was driving home from the Duffield's home at about 10.30 pm, he was alarmed to see the strange light again through his rear vision mirror, and it seemed to follow him, even when he increased his

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## **Many reports**

Mr Peter Powell of the U.F.O. Research Investigation in Adelaide said many people were reporting the "strange light" in the west, but it was only

the planet Venus.

The planet was visible in the day if one knew exactly where to look, but of an evening it glowed brightly and was much bigger than the other stars, he said.

**Being so large, it appears**

**to be moving at the same speed as anyone in a car, so people have assumed it has followed or even chased them.**

At this time of the year it sets in the west at about 10.40 pm daylight saving time.