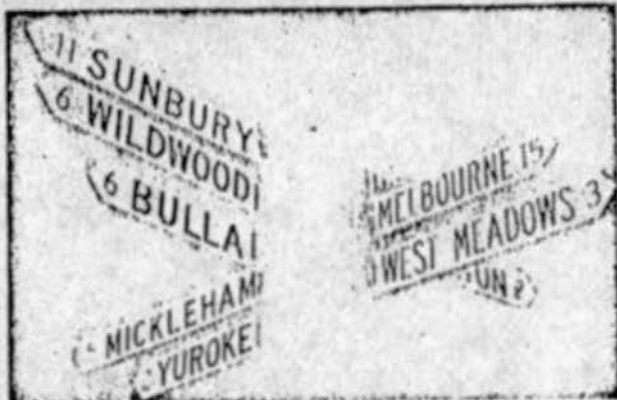




Jamieson's first picture of the object. It appeared to be 500 to 1000 feet up. There was no sound and no vibration.



The crossroads in Mickleham Road, 15 miles from Melbourne, where Jamieson lost sight of the object.

The photographs were taken about 10.10 p.m.

DCA said a TAA DC-9 took off from Tullamarine at 9.53 p.m. A Qantas Boeing 707 landed at Tullamarine at 10.24 p.m.

The fact that Jamieson saw the flying object loop-the-loop five to seven times in less than three seconds discounts theories that it could have been either of these planes.

One senior DCA official said that in certain weather conditions the lights on a plane appeared to dance—or even, perhaps, loop-the-loop.

But the fact that the object was visible for up to 20 minutes discounted this possibility.

Jamieson used a Nikon 35 mm camera with 300 mm telephoto lens.

He had been taking football training pictures earlier and in his surprise at the sky's "suddenly going white" used the same exposure; 1-1000th of a second for his first picture, number 4.

Jamieson said he expected to get nothing on his film with such a fast exposure, but the light was so brilliant it did photograph.

All other pictures of the object were taken on time exposure with full aperture. Jamieson rested his camera on the roof of his car.

When Jamieson first saw the object, it appeared to be moving north. Later it headed to the south or south-west.

He reacted immediately. He pulled up, got out of the car and began using his camera.

He thought the object might be an aircraft in trouble.

## Side track

Jamieson decided to follow the object. He drove along a side track leading from Pascoe Vale Road to Mickleham Road (towards Bulla).

At this stage the object seemed to be travelling towards Tullamarine.

"I headed towards the reflection in the sky. All of a sudden I lost it behind the hills," he said.

Jamieson took the photographs from Pascoe Vale Road.

He said the object "lit up the hills and you could count the trees."

Jamieson drives to and from Wallan along this route every day. He often sees aircraft at night, but "this couldn't possibly have been an aircraft," he said.