

Mystery of black cloud

AFTER returning from a five-hour search in the Irish Sea on Saturday night Porthdinllaen lifeboatmen said they could not find anything to account for a mysterious light reported six miles off Whistling Sun, north-east of Aberdaron.

Bus passengers travelling from Aberdaron to Nefyn told Porthdinllaen coastguards they had seen "a sheet of flame enveloped by thick black smoke falling into the sea."

The R.A.F. stations at Valley, Anglesey, and Llanbedr, Merioneth, said none of their planes was missing, but they called out the lifeboat to investigate.

The coxswain, Mr. Tom Moore, said: "We searched for 12 miles between Penygraig and Bardsey Island but found nothing unusual."