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# RIDDLE IN THE 3404 SKY-AGAIN

**T**HE South Wales light-in-the-sky mystery has re-established itself only a day after it was solved by South Wales Echo science correspondent Brian J. Ford.

A Cardiff man claimed today he saw an unidentified flying object that was not a man-made satellite.

Mr. Raymond Jones, a 32-year-old father of two, said, "I saw the object about a fortnight ago. I said nothing about it because I was afraid of ridicule.

"When I saw the statement by the Pontypridd solicitor I decided to come forward."

Mr. Jones, of Bradley Street, Cardiff, is a keen watcher of the night sky. He has seen man-made satellites before, but claims the object he saw was completely different.

### Just a light

He said: "When I saw the object it was just a stationary light in the sky. It stood out because it did not fit the constellation pattern.

"It started moving across the sky after about a minute. It went, gaining speed, in the direction of Weston. It halted, moved to the right and halted again. Then it moved back to its original course and disappeared over the horizon.

"The movements were very definite. They were nothing like the satellites I have seen before. I told my wife and a friend about it but nobody else.

"I thought I ought to come forward when I read Mr.

Ford's explanation in yesterday's Echo.

"I am not particularly interested in 'flying saucers' though I often watch the stars. But I am sure this was not a man-made satellite."

Science correspondent Brian Ford, who admits friends claim to have seen an unidentified flying object, writes: "I think what Mr. Jones saw was a man-made satellite, though it need not have been Echo I or Echo II.

"There are over 200 man-made satellites visible to the naked eye in orbit and it could have been one of these. The impression of disconcerted movement could have been caused by the atmospheric condition."