

# 'Flying cross' mystery passed to Healey

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As reports of unidentified flying objects came in from many parts of Britain—including South Wales — yesterday, an M.P. tabled two questions about them for the Minister of Defence, Mr. Denis Healey.

He is Mr. Peter Mills, Conservative member for the Torrington area of Devon, where early on Tuesday morning two policemen chased a mysterious "flying cross" in their car at 80 m.p.h.

## Aircraft, or—

He will ask Mr. Healey:

"In view of the fact that an unidentified flying object has been seen in the Okehampton area, will he make a full statement on the circum-

stances of the report and what are his plans to deal with a possible recurrence of this flying object?"

"In view of a flying object in the Okehampton area being described as a star-shaped cross larger than a conventional aircraft, will the Minister confirm that this is either one of our own aircraft or an unidentified flying object?"

Mr. Mills said yesterday, "I think the Minister ought to help clear up this business as to whether we are looking at our equipment or machines from another country, or indeed another planet."

Several of yesterday's reports of sightings came from Sussex.

At Hastings, an object in the

form of a bright cross was spotted shortly before dawn by Mr. Peter Baker.

Later the Chief Constable of East Sussex, Mr. G. W. R. Terry, called a conference of police officers at his Lewes headquarters to discuss five reported sightings by members of the force.

## 50ft. wide

A spokesman at the Royal Observatory, Herstmonceux, said that no one there had seen the object. He added, "I cannot think of any astronomical reason for it."

Two policemen in a patrol car

on the Spelsbury — Chipping Norton road reported seeing two unidentified flying objects about 50 feet in diameter.

Another unidentified flying object was sighted last night — less than a mile from Glamorgan (Rhose) Airport.

## Orange light

Witnesses who watched the object for almost 45 minutes said it could not have been an aircraft. A spokesman at air traffic control, who scanned the area during the period of the sighting, said he saw nothing.

A 17-year-old warehouseman, Anthony Bates, of Court Farm caravan park, first saw the object.

"It was a long, thin pencil of orange light out over the sea," he said.