

Second UFO filmed by TV crew

SYDNEY, Australia (UPI) — A television crew yesterday filmed the second UFO spotted in New Zealand in four days — a brilliant object "like a volcano" that flashed a pulsating light across the pre-dawn sky.

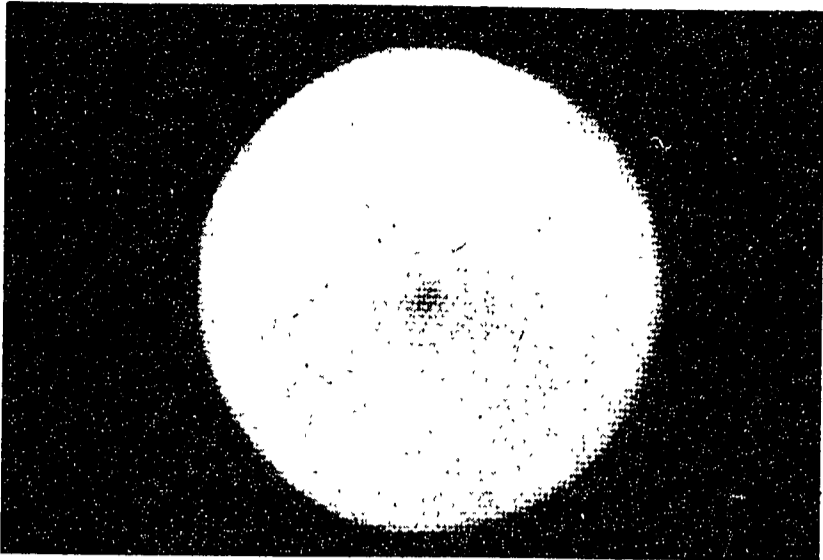
The new sighting also was reported by six policemen in a town 500 miles away from the TV cameras.

The national newspaper, The Australian, which reported the sighting of the second unidentified flying object in its Thursday editions, said military aircraft patrolling New Zealand's skies did not pick up the UFO on their radar.

The original New Zealand UFO sighting that made world headlines on New Year's Eve was corroborated by an airport radar controller who saw an unknown object on his scope.

Scientists puzzled by the UFO sightings suggested they might be caused by reflections from Japanese squid fishermen, who are using high-intensity lights in the night-time harvest now in progress off the New Zealand shore. But they could not explain the radar incident.

The film crew turned its new photos of the UFO over to the government for analysis by a computer capable of



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eliminating film distortions and defining the relative shape of the object.

The New Zealand network's news editor, Douglas Echhoff, said, "We have no doubt that we have the most detailed and dramatic film of a UFO taken by

non-military sources anywhere in the world."

The TV crew set up two cameras, one with a 600mm lens, near the mouth of the Clarence River in the northeast corner

of New Zealand's South Island, the Australian said.

The film crew's sound recorder, Lloyd McFadden, reported the object was "sort of triangular with rounded edges and a piece missing from the apex, like a volcano."

The newspaper's New Zealand correspondent, Dai Hayward, said the UFO was "a round, glowing ball, with a bright light which faded then brightened again, and a reddish center."

He said the object appeared high in the sky just before 4:30 a.m., moving rapidly towards land.

"It was definitely no aircraft," Hayward said. "It behaved erratically, then hung stationary. After a while the object moved again and disappeared."

"All told we watched it for about 20 minutes. Then, just as dawn was breaking and we were prepared to pack up, it appeared again roughly in the same area. It could be clearly seen against the gradually lightening sky.

"Again the object moved away and seemed to go higher in the sky until it finally vanished."

Hayward said there was a high wind blowing at the time, but no rain or clouds were visible.

Store robbed of \$320

The theft of \$320 from the Barefoot Shoe Store, 325 E. Calder Way, was reported to the State College Police Department Tuesday. Police said someone opened the cash drawer of the register and removed the money at about 4 p.m.

Barbara Pichini (9th-microbiology) told State College police a stereo system and a television set had been stolen from her Pugh Street apartment. The items are valued at \$310, police said.

University Police Services

arrested Terry Rider, RD 1 Bellefonte, for driving under the influence of alcohol. Rider was apprehended by police Dec. 22, following an accident on Park Road. After being arraigned before District Magistrate Louise Green, Rider was released on nominal bail.

Lawrence Lucas, RD 1, Bellefonte, reported the theft of his wallet and pocket watch to University police Tuesday. The items were taken from the locker room in Rec Hall and are valued at \$104.

—by Bill Leonard

Aviation museum trip planned

A trip to the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C., Jan. 13 is planned by the Astronomy Club. Anyone interested in going along should attend a meeting at 7:30 tonight in 445 Davey Lab. A \$13 fee will be collected.

Basic auto repair and maintenance will be taught by the Free University at 7 tonight in 105 Mechanical Engineering Building.

Nuclear energy expert Nancy Daugherty will discuss Ionizing Radiation at 8 tonight in 111 Boucke. The presentation will follow Eco-Action's regular meeting at 7:30.

The Ukrainian Club will meet at 7:30 tonight in 316 HUB.

Gamma Sigma Sigma will meet at 6:30 tonight in 307 HUB.

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