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One Light Said to Have Followed Plane at Airport

"Flying fireballs" traced a crazy pattern across Vancouver skies again Thursday night.

Two were witnessed by groups of people on a Burnaby Lake tram and at the Cascade Drive-In movie on Grandview Highway.

Plane Followed

One light is supposed to have followed a plane as it landed at Vancouver Airport.

The mystery objects, which have baffled US scientists and have Canadian authorities wondering, following the appearance of the "Hammond Lights" in the past seven weeks.

Weather Thursday night was comparatively clear with low clouds.

But one factor which may account for some reports was that searchlights were being deployed in the skies from Kerrisdale Arena between 9 and 10 p.m. They will be on again tonight and Saturday.

EYEWITNESS REPORTS

Here are the eyewitness reports:

7:30 p.m. George Brewstein, 28, 1878 First Street, New Westminster. "I was on Burnaby Lake tram. I saw a bright light, three or four times the size of a star, still, in the sky in the south."

"It was in my sight, and about half a dozen other people. It was still daylight and the sun was shining. The object moved to the east, slowed down, and then went out of sight."

8:30 p.m. RCAF receives a report from a citizen that as a plane came in to land at Sea Island it was followed from above by a light larger than the plane. (United Airlines DC3 from Seattle landed at 8:35 p.m. but there were no "fireball" reports from crew or passengers)

10:00 p.m. Light travelling from over Thirtieth and Cambie to the north. Probably the search-lights.

10:10 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Garland, 4222 Napier, were at the Cascades Drive-In with their three children. Two lights like discs, one higher than the other, travelled out of the north over them to the south. Travelling about as fast as a plane but not conventional aircraft. People in cars around saw the discs too.

11:30 p.m. G. Scott Bryson, 25, of 845 Sixteenth Avenue, New Westminster, was going to work. He looked up and saw an intensely bright light, "very large", and of pale lime metallic color.

It was 40 degrees above the horizon, and as it travelled west it zig-zagged to left and right. It was in his vision for the space of a rapid count of 10.

Ovalish in shape, it was above the clouds and seemed to throw a reflection around it. It disappeared in the west.

Bryson phoned the Sea Island weather office and was told the same phenomenon had been reported to them by another citizen.

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