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Huge object seen over Dargaville

DARGAVILLE, Wednesday (O.C.). — "Weird and frightening" was the description given by a party of six Dargaville women who saw a huge rocket-like object glide slowly over Dargaville at about 9.50 o'clock last night. It travelled from the direction of Whangarei and disappeared in the direction of the west coast.

What amazed the women, who were returning from singing practice, was the slowness of the object's flight and its relatively low altitude. Rocket-shaped, it was yellow in front, followed by bright emerald green. What appeared to be flames were seen leaping from the end of the object, which illuminated the countryside over which it travelled.

"It was definitely frightening," commented one of the women this morning.

A resident in Hoklanga Road also saw it. He was asleep at the time but the bright light created by the object woke him up and caused him to rush outside to see what had caused the illumination. The object disappeared over the hillside in such a manner that he thought it had dived into the ground.

An immediate search of the locality failed to reveal any sign of the object.

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