

Ball of Fire Jams Traffic On State Road

SAND SPRINGS, Okla. (AP) — A mysterious ball of fire that "darts up and down at the stroke of midnight" has created a serious traffic problem two miles west of here.

For three straight nights police have found no less than 150 cars parked on the highway with their occupants gazing skyward. The patrolmen are told a blue-green object with a phosphorescent glow appears in the east, screams westward with incredible speed and disappears through the nearby hollows.

Police Chief Jack Daniels said reports vary from a ghost to a flying saucer. He quoted one woman as saying:

"It drops down into the hollows by the hillside and screams. I heard it."

Another spectator told Daniels: "Whenever a flash light is thrown on the object it runs off."

All in all some 25 persons have told him they saw the mysterious ball of fire at midnight. And Daniels says the story is starting to grow, but he confides: "I don't think much about it, myself."

Anyway, troopers are having a hard time keeping the highway cleared each night.