THE CASE OF THE UNEXPECTED BANNER!

'MYSTERY APPEARANCE' ON

ODEON ROOF

A banner mysteriously appeared on the roof of the Odeon Cinema, Weston-super-Mare, on Wednesday night. It was attached to a flag pole above The Centre shops and tied to a pipe on the tower of the building.

The staff of the cinema knew nothing about the banner until they were asked by a "Mercury" reporter if they were going to bring it down and if they knew what was written

on it.

The "Mercury" received a message from an anonymous telephone caller on Thursday morning, who said: "The manager of the Odeon has said that he has arranged it so that no one can climb on to the roof, but there is a banner up there now."

A reporter who went to the cinema was taken on to the roof by the official route—up steel staircases inside the building. On the roof, he watched a member of the staff pull the banner from its moorings.

The banner was over six feet long and three feet wide, and painted on it was a large "C," with the figures "84" painted in red. Alongside was a painting of an animal resembling a wild boar.