

"Flying Saucer" In Possession Of U.S. Army

NEW YORK, Wednesday

A "flying saucer" has been found on a ranch near Roswell next to Mexico.

This was announced by the United States' Army Air Force amid a welter of controversy surrounding reports from at least 40 different States over the past week that flying discs or "flying saucers" have been sighted in skies above the United States.

Official secrecy is being maintained about the discs now in the possession of the Army, but Lieut. Warren Haught, Public Information Officer, of Roswell Army Airfield, announced that the find had been made some time last week.

The disc has been turned over to the airfield through the co-operation of the Sheriff's office and following an inspection at Roswell Airfield has been "loaned" by an intelligence officer at Roswell Airfield to headquarters.

In Washington, later, Brigadier General Roger Ramey, said that

General Roger Ramey, said that "the battered object, which previously had been described as a 'flying disc' near Roswell was being sent by air to the Army Air Force's research centre at Wright Field, Ohio.

General Ramey, who is now commander of the 8th Air Force at Fort Worth, Texas, received the object from Roswell and telephoning Army Air Force headquarters in Washington described it as "of flimsy construction, almost like a box kite."

He did not indicate the object's size, but said it was "apparently some sort of tin foil."

ANOTHER EXPLANATION

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

Latest messages from the Fort Worth Army Airfield says the weather officer there has identified the object found on a ranch at Roswell, New Mexico as a weather balloon.

SYDNEY PEOPLE WATCH

Many people spent last night watching the sky for "flying saucers." The only "successful" person was a former University science student, Raymond Roper, of Mosman, who at 12.50 a.m. today said he saw a flying object but "it wasn't a flying saucer; it was a flying teardrop," he said.

Roper also said it was a shining object shaped like a teardrop and was

fect shaped like a teardrop and was moving quickly across the sky, colored lemon-yellow and framed by a white cloud.

The teardrop "vanished over the horizon in a flash."

All ships in the North Atlantic have been warned to follow their courses with extreme caution to avoid a mammoth iceberg which has drifted in on the main northern shipping lanes.