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# Flying Disks

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most anything when seen in the air.

"I don't say these devices are what people have called disks," he said. "There is no such gadget (as the disk known to the Army at least this far down the line."

Warrant Officer Newton said there were some 50 weather station in the United States using this type of balloon.

"We use them because they can go so much higher than the eye can see," Newton explained. "A radar set is employed to follow the balloon and through a process of triangulation the winds aloft are charted, he added.

When rigged up, Newton stated, the object looks like a six-point star, is silvery in appearance, and rises in the air like a kite, mounted to a 100-gram balloon.

Newton said he had sent up identical balloons to this one during the invasion of Okinawa to determine ballistics information for heavy guns.

**Flown from Roswell**

This weather device was flown to Fort Worth Army Air Field by B-29 from Roswell Army Air Field at 10 a. m., Tuesday at the command of Brig. Gen. Roger Ramey, 8th Air Force commanding officer here.

It had been found three weeks previously by a New Mexico rancher, W. W. Brazell, on his property about 85 miles northwest of Roswell. Brazell, whose ranch is 30 miles from the nearest telephone and has no radio, knew nothing about flying disks when he found the broken remains of the weather device scattered over a square mile of his land.

He bundled the tinfoil and broken wooden beams of the kite and the torn synthetic rubber remains of the balloon together and rolled it under some brush, according to Major Jesse A. Marcell,

Houma, La., 509 Bomb Group intelligence officer at Roswell, who brought the device to FWAAF.

On a trip to town at Corona, N. M., Saturday night, Brazell heard the first reference to the "silver" flying disks, Major Marcell related.

Brazell hurried home, dug up the remnants of the kite and balloon on Sunday and Monday headed for Roswell to report his find to the sheriff's office.

This resulted in a call to Roswell Army Air Field and to Major Marcell's being assigned to the case. Marcell and Brazell journeyed back to the ranch, where Marcell took the object into the custody of the Army.

After Col. William H. Blanchard, 509th commanding officer, reported the incident to General Ramey, he was ordered to dispatch the object to Fort Worth Army Air Field immediately.

About that time, word broke from Roswell that a flying disk finally had been found.

After his first look, Ramey declared all it was was a weather balloon. The weather officer verified his view.

**Supreme Court to Hear Shrimp Case July 16**

AUSTIN, July 8—AP—The Supreme Court will hear oral arguments July 16 in the Corpus Christi shrimp case which will test the constitutionality of State laws barring Louisiana shrimping operations in Texas Gulf Coast waters.

The submission date was set by the court today after Attorney General Price Daniel yesterday, asked the court to dissolve a temporary injunction granted by the 94th District Court in Neuces County against enforcement of the law imposing a \$2,500 license fee on out-of-state shrimp boats.

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