

Saw Two Men Take Off In A "Flying Saucer"

**The most Amazing
Flying Saucer
Story of Them All—
Told by the man
Who was There!**

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ARMED with a sensational affidavit sworn by an eye-witness, intelligence officers in West Berlin are investigating one of the most amazing "flying saucer" stories ever reported.

Evidence that a weird contraption—"like a 50ft.

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warming pan without a
handle, and with a 10ft.

handle, and with a 10ft. conning tower"—took off with a crew of two from a forest clearing in the Soviet zone is being studied at the highest level. It is hoped to answer the big question: Are "flying saucers" a secret new Russian invention?

The man who first brought to light this remarkable story a couple of weeks ago is grey-haired, 48-years-old ex-Mayor Oskar Linke, of Gleimer-shausen, near Meiningen. He had escaped from the Russian zone with his wife and six children.

I can now reveal that in the company of West Berlin officials, Herr Linke, with his 11-years-old step-daughter Gabriele, last week swore this solemn and formal affidavit before a judge:—

"I was riding home on my motor-cycle, with Gabriele on the pillion, when a tyre burst near the village of Hasselbach.

"**A**S we were pushing the machine toward Hasselbach, Gabriele pointed

Gabriele pointed to something about 150 yards away. At first sight, in the half light, I took it for a young deer.

"I left my motor-cycle by a tree while I approached the 'deer' cautiously. I was now about 60 yards from it.

"I then realised that my first impression had been incorrect. The thing I had noticed was really two apparently human figures, now about 50 yards from me.

"They appeared to be clothed in a kind of shimmering, metallic substance, and were bending down and studying something on the ground.

"I wormed my way to within about 30 feet of them. Peering over a small ridge, I noticed a large object, which I judged to be about 40 to 50 feet across, though it was hard to say exactly. It looked like a huge oval warming pan.

"There were two rows of holes along the sides, about a foot in diameter. Each row was roughly a foot and a half from the next.

"Out of the metallic ob-

“Out of the metallic object rose a black cylindrical ‘conning tower,’ about 10 feet high.”

Linke went on.

“I was now alarmed by a call from my daughter, who had remained some distance back. The sound must have reached the two figures, for they rushed back to the object, clambered rapidly up the side of the ‘conning tower’ and disappeared inside.

“PREVIOUSLY I had noticed that one appeared to be carrying a lamp on his chest. The lamp flashed on and off at regular intervals.

“The outer edge of the ‘warming pan,’ in which the holes were sunk, now started to glow.

“The color at first seemed green, then changed to red. At the same time I heard a slight hum. As the glow and the sound increased, the ‘conning tower’ was retracting into the centre of the ‘warming pan,’ and the whole object rose slowly from the ground.

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"From the swirling effect of the glowing 'exhaust,' I got the impres-

sion that the whole object was spinning like a top.

"It seemed to be resting on the cylindrical piece which had sunk through the centre of the object and was now protruding from the bottom and standing on the ground.

"The warming pan,' with its glowing outside ring of flame, was now some feet off the earth.

"Then I noticed that the whole object was rising slowly from the earth. The cylinder on which it had rested had now disappeared inside the centre and reappeared again through the top.

WTHE rate of ascent now became much greater, and at the same time my daughter and I heard a whistling sound, rather like the noise made by a falling bomb, but not nearly so loud.

"The object rose in a horizontal position swerved

horizontal position, swerved away towards a nearby village and disappeared still gaining height over the hills and forests towards Stockheim."

Several other people in the area later told Herr Linke they had seen something which they took for a comet. One, a shepherd, Georg Derbst, who was

about a mile and a half away, said he thought a comet had "bounced" off the earth.

A sawmill watchman told Herr Linke he had seen what he thought was a "low-flying comet" flash away from the hill where Herr Linke saw the object.

AFTER appearing before the judge, Herr Linke told me: "I would almost have believed that my daughter and I had dreamed the whole episode were it not for one thing:

"When the thing had gone, I went to the place where it had been standing. I found a circular depression, evidently freshly made, where the earth had been driven down.

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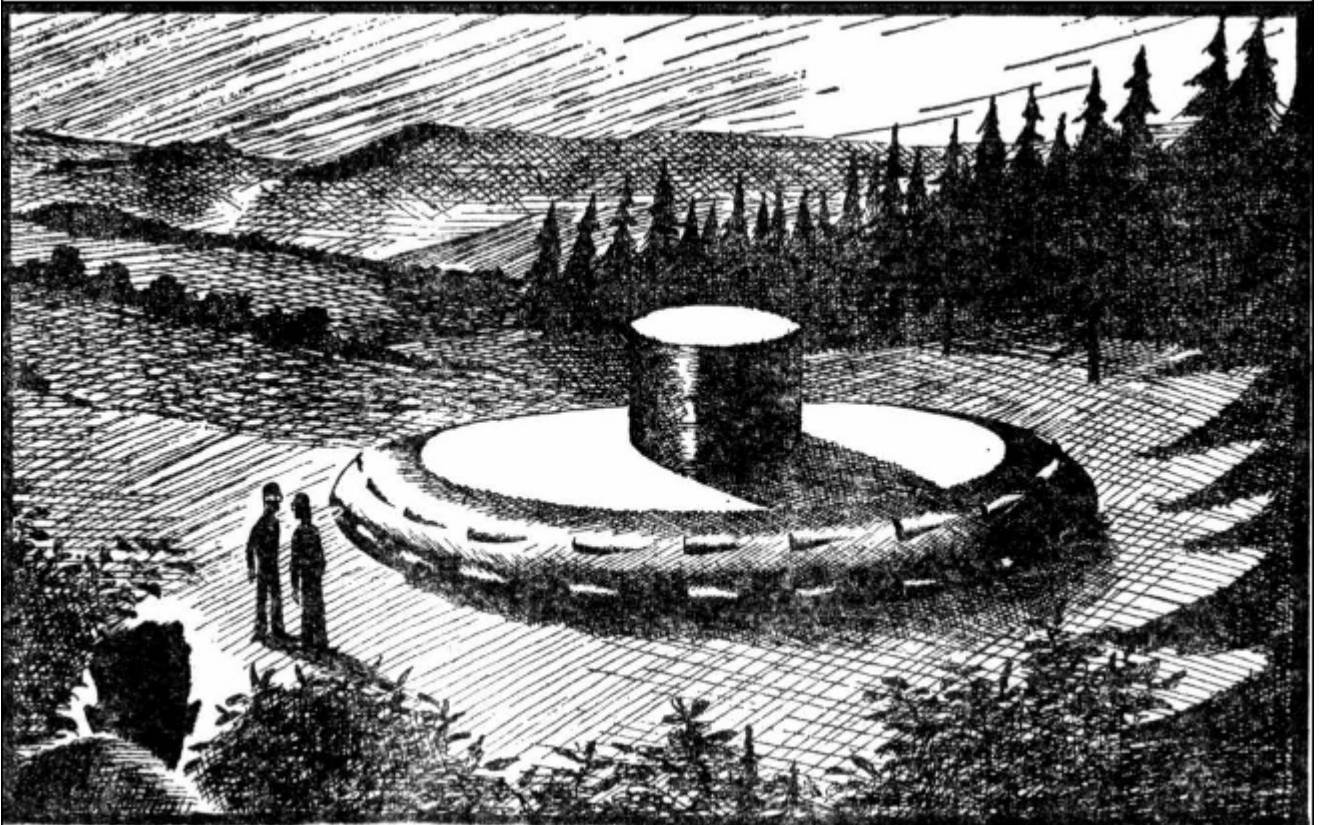
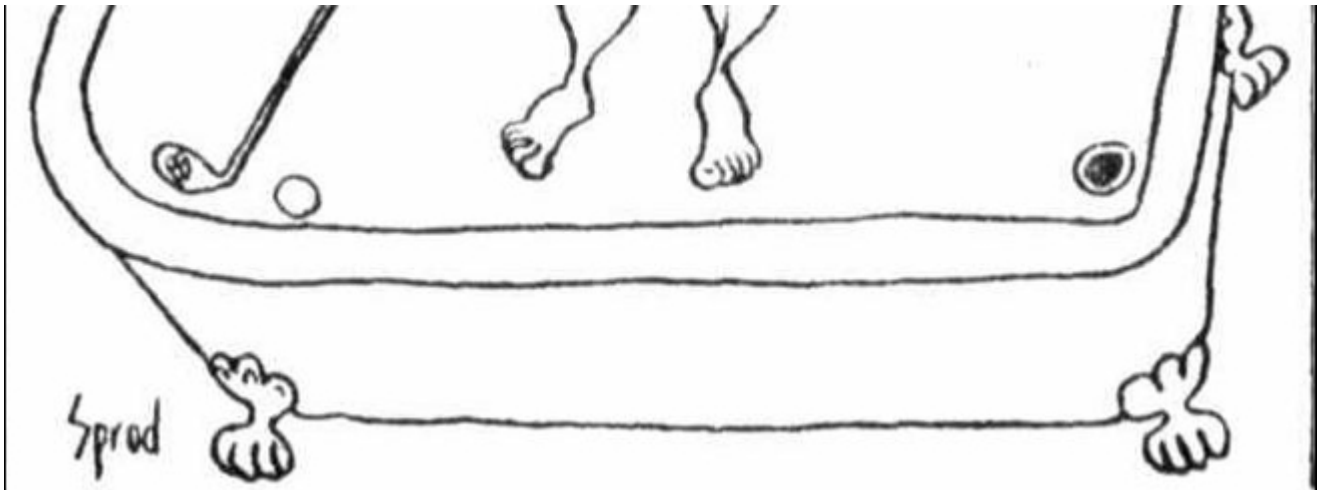
"This was exactly the shape of the 'conning tower'; I realised then that I had not been dreaming."

He continued: "I never heard the expression 'flying saucer' until I escaped to West Berlin from the Soviet zone.

"When I saw the thing first, I thought it was a new Russian war machine.

"I was terrified for the Soviets do not like one to know about their goings on, and people are shut up for years in East Germany for knowing too much."





Eye-witness Herr Linke himself directed the artist to produce this vivid impression of the flying saucer as he saw it in the clearing. Beside it are standing the two members of the crew, who took off in it shortly afterwards.