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# THE REPORTED DISCOVERY OF A "BURIED UFO" IN ESTONIA.

By Gordon Creighton. (Translation from Spanish and Russian, G.C.)

n the very first issue (1994) of his review EVIDENCIA OVNI, our Puertorican friend and Consultant Jorge Martín published a translation of the following weird story, which he had received from the American (Russian-born) investigator Paul Stonehill who runs the RUSSIAN UFOLOGY RESEARCH CENTRE (5700 Etiwanda St., Tarzana, California 91356).

The report concerns Estonia, one of the three small Baltic states that had a brief taste of independence after the Russian Revolution of 1917, only to be temporarily gobbled up again by Stalin when he saw his opportunity on the outbreak of World War II. (Today they are all free again and anxiously waiting to join the European Union.)

As you study this very queer account, which seems to date from the 1980s, when the Soviets still ruled Estonia, remember the equally weird report about strange great metallic cauldron - or globe-shaped objects, buried or half-buried in the snowbound wastes of Yakutia (Far North-Eastern Siberia), which I published early last year (*Mysterious "Power-Plants" in Siberia*). (See FSR 42/1). EDITOR

The report indicates that, at about a depth of 3m. below the surface of the ground, on a collective farm near Tallin, the Capital of Estonia, workmen who were digging out a shaft for a well had struck a mysterious great metallic body which was believed to be of "alien origin" - possibly a "flying saucer", or "some sort of device for interstellar communications" (sic.) The report said that individuals who had tried to dig the thing out had shortly afterwards died in mysterious circumstances, and that others who had gone to Moscow carrying some samples of water from the site of the excavation had "suffered paralysis". Also that a piece of the alleged UFO had been prised off and then confiscated by the Russian Military "because they knew it was part of an object from another world."

Paul Stonehill had reported that, so far as could be ascertained, the truth was that in 1984 Soviet Academician

Nikolai Nikolayevich Sochevanov, a specialist in geology and minerology, was visited by a friend of his - an Estonian inventorwho brought a piece of dense silvery metallic material, and the following story:

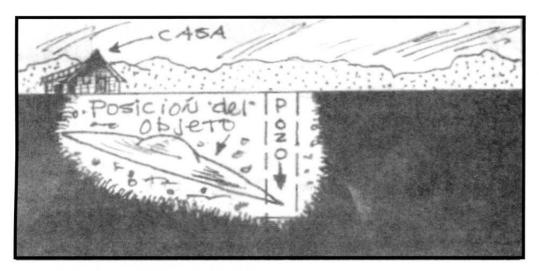
"On a collective farm just outside Tallin, a well was being dug and at a depth of some 3 metres or so the workers hit upon something metallic and very solid, and on digging deeper, they came upon the rim of a metallic plate sticking out from the wall of the well. The thickness of the metal at that spot was only 2 cms, but even so the drill could not penetrate the metal.

"A compressor was brought along, and, using a pneumatic drill, the workers were able to break off a piece of the metal plate, and the piece was sent off to Tallin, where two institutions both made an analysis of it - but arrived at contradicting results! One institute said the metal was a complicated alloy, while the other one said it was simply castiron!

"The Estonians requested Sochevanov to have it analyzed in the leading laboratories of Moscow, so a number of smaller fragments were cut from the piece with diamond saws (two of which were damaged in the process). According to the V.I.A.M. (United Institute of Aviation Materials - VSYESOYUZNHIY INSTITUT AVIATSIONIKH MATERIALOV) it was established, in the testing, that the sample of mystery metal had a microsolidity varying between 330 and 1,500 kg/mm.

"In appearance the metal was dense and hard, of a silvery colour. Its specific gravity was 6.3 to 6.6. The various laboratories which did these tests on the small fragments were: the Moscow Institute of Physical Engineering, the United Institute for Raw Mineral Materials, and the VIAM mentioned above, plus several other laboratories.

"According to Sochevanov, the leading Soviet scientists "had no doubt whatever as regards the extraterrestrial origin of the artifact". Among these scientists were Professor Mitin,



## Sketch showing position of disc and 3-metre deep well shaft beside it.

Russia's top expert in metallurgical powders, and Soviet Academician Kishkin who, after seeing the VIAM's tests, said:

"The use of such alloys is unknown in Aviation Technology. Alloying of this kind must be very resistant to heat, and possess the correct resistance to withstand being boiled in acid mixtures of any concentration whatsoever!"

"Kishkin also assured Sochevanov that neither the leading Soviet laboratories, nor those of the USA or Japan or Germany, could produce such an alloy, and it had been subjected in the Moscow laboratories to the most elaborate tests, and the scientists were in agreement on one thing: the metal was not of terrestrial origin, nor was it part of a meteorite.

"On seeing these findings, Sochevanov at once went to Estonia, and, while there, made use of his knowledge in the field of dowsing (on which many Russians are particularly keen. G.C.) And he arrived at certain conclusions about the mystery object lying buried in Estonia. Here are his conclusions:

- 1. Definitely there is an object buried in the ground there, producing a powerful anomalous zone.
- 2. The diameter of the object would be approximately 15 metres, and it would weigh 200 tons.
- **3.** Its shape is seemingly discoidal, thinner towards its edges. The central portion of it is some 4 metres (13 ft.) high, and the body of it is lying roughly horizontally in the ground, with an inclination of some 35 degrees.
- **4.** One-third of the body of the object is located very close to a house, and the part of it that is closest to the surface is at a depth of from 3 to 4 metres, and at its deepest point it is down to around 15 metres (47ft.).

"Sochevanov sent a full report to the Military and Industrial Commission of the Council of Ministers of the (then existing) Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

"The minute that his findings reached them, there wa an immediate reaction. All publication of any information about the matter was forbidden, and a further, more detailed, report was called for. Such a further report was made, and this fuller report then went to the USSR Academy of Sciences. "From there the Report was passed on to the Geological Institute of Estonia, which issued orders for the object to be excavated - it was not revealed **by whom** - but it seems that no funds were available. "a year passed, and still nothing had happened. A company, under the name of VOLNA, assumed charge of the work of excavating, but all sorts of enormous mistakes were made and,

in the end, nothing was extracted! So at present the object still remains buried beneath the Estonian collective farm".

NOTE BY THE EDITOR
OF FSR:
THE ORIGINAL
RUSSIAN REPORT
ON THE "TALLIN CASE".

Only a few weeks after I had made my translation of the above account from Spanish, I had the marvellous good luck to

find that, among a quantity of Russian ufological publications that our colleague George Wingfield had brought back from Russia a few years ago (many of which I had not yet had the time to sift through) I actually had the original Russia text! (This is in issue No. 1 of the Soviet journal ANOMALIYA, i.e. ANOMALY, of 1992.) Checking through it I satisfied myself that the Spanish version issued by Jorge Martín is a good and accurate one, most probably made from the American version that is circulating, so there is no need for me to give a fresh rendering from the Russian. The author of this Russian version is Nikolai Sochevanov - which agrees with what we know already - and he is described as a Member of the Russian Academy of Science and Culture, and also the President of the Russian Interdepartmental Commission on Problems Pertaining to Dowsing. (So it is easy to see how Sochevanov has arrived at his very precise conclusions about the dimensions of the buried object, namely by dowsing!)

### SUMMING UP.

There is one final point which I think should be emphasised. We do not know of course whether the object did finally get excavated by the Soviets before Estonia became independent, and we can be pretty sure that we shall never learn any more about it, even from a free Estonian government. The idea that excavation can have been delayed owing to a lack of funds would be quite ridiculous in a country like the USSR. If their scientists really did believe all this, then it would have been dug up like a shot!

But on the other hand, the problem of coping with such an object once it had been dug out, and, above all the immense problem of keeping everything totally secret, may very likely have induced the Soviet authorities to "let the sleeping dog lie", for, after all, it could not be safer anywhere than still down there in the ground.

And, in fact, it so happens that in the past few months I have heard or read several times statements or suggestions that already in the United States the American Government has been faced with precisely the same problem, and has preferred to bury at least one enormus UFO right there where it had crashed, rather than risk the results of the affair getting to the public. Once safely underground and out of sight the boffins and officials could utter sighs of relief and take their time to think about it. After all, the thing is not lost. It can always be dug up again when all the conditions are right!

In just the same fashion, but of course **purely for their better preservation**, we have often re-buried precious pavements and and other relics of Roman Britain.

### THE STORY OF MONSIEUR AND MADAME C.

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(Translation from French. G.C.)

[Our new French Correspondent and Consultant, Claude Raffy, has had a most interesting life and career, and has been active in UFO research in Europe and South America for many years.

Born in Marseilles and having had his higher formal education in Religion and Philosphy, he had the great good fortune, early in life, to know - and to be greatly influenced by — our much-loved former Consultant, the late Aimé Michel, a French scientist of great distinction, and one of the three or four first French people to interest themselves in "our subject". Claude Raffy says: "Michel was the first who convinced me that if we are to try to understand the UFO Phenomenon there is no substitute for work in the field."

Claude Raffy was one of the last people to see and talk with Aimé before the latter left our world.

Raffy went to the USA and later to Brazil (and, interestingly, mostly to the Brazilian North-East, Recife, Pernambuco State, and Ceará, where I had my diplomatic posting in the period from 1948 to 1952.) He married a Brazilian lady. Later he travelled widely not only in Brazil, but throughout Spanish-speaking South America, and then later, South Africa, and Western Europe.

He will shortly be bringing out his own UFO book. Title: *UFOs - Myth or Reality*. EDITOR]

I give below the extraordinary account of a French married couple whom I have interviewed at length, and whose good faith I feel sure is to be trusted.

Monsieur C- is a financial expert with the Law Courts, while Madame C- is a university professor. Not surprisingly, therefore, it is not at present possible to reveal their identities.

Monsieur C-'s story goes back to when he was 12 years old. That was when he had what he feels was his **first contact.** He was in his parents' home, when some irresistible force obliged him to step out into the garden. As he did so, he observed a craft, with five or six portholes, passing overhead, travelling at the speed of a Solex power-assisted bicycle.\*

### EIGHTEEN YEARS LATER.

During the 1970s, 18 years later, he and his wife were out camping in the famous and spectacular Gorge de Verdon (Alpes de Haute Provence, South-East France). The time was about 10.p.m., and they were already lying down inside their tent when they heard a high-pitched noise which grew stronger and stronger and which they described as like the sound of a tuning fork being dropped.

Once again Monsieur C- felt an irresistible urge to step out and investigate, and he remembers that the thought crossed his mind that the noise outside had somehow been attracted by their isotherm mattresses which seemed to be of aluminium. But before he could respond to this urge to get up and see what was happening

outside, both he and his wife became physically paralysed. They lay there pinned to the ground, staring up fixedly at the tent pole, unable to wrench their eyes away from it.

I asked them whether they had been able to see each other, and they replied that during the period in question each had lost the awareness of the other's presence, and they had been unable to see each other. They estimate that they were unconscious for about two hours.

The next day, both of them had violent headaches. When they did finally get up and go outside the tent, Monsieur C- noted that there were strange traces stretching over a distance across the rocks for a distance of two kilometres — and what was even more remarkable was that his wife's sleeping-bag was covered with a silicon-like substance. She decided to wash it off, and it did in fact wash off. Now it must be explained that, as a special precaution, Madame C-, not being desirous of becoming pregnant at that time, had taken a double dose of her contraceptives.

Despite that, several weeks after this extraordinary "watershed event" in their lives, she discovered that she was indeed pregnant, and, as the dates fitted exactly neither she nor he husband had any doubts about it.

Madame C- decided forthwith that she would have an abortion. When she was examined, nothing abnormal was discovered and the pregnancy was established, and again it seemed conclusive that the date corresponded exactly to the "event". The medics could not understand why, since everything seemed normal, the couple still stuck to their decision to have the abortion, which they did. At the hospital something strange about her had been found. Her blood was "Group 'O' Positive" and there were certain "anomalies" about her which the hospital would never agree to discuss with her. Only some years later did she insist on getting an explanation from the hospital, but they replied "By now the records of your case have been destroyed."

### STRANGE CHANGES.

After that fateful event, everything started to change rapidly, particularly their own behaviour patterns. Madame C- suddenly felt a yen to study **Astrology**, and completed an entire course of it in three weeks, and then started to teach it! As for Monsieur C-, the financial expert learned to play the flute! He also developed a very strong interest in **mysticism**, and started lecturing on the Gospel teachings of St. Paul.

Madame C- also discovered that she could now **predict coming events**, such as **deaths**, and found that she was able to make contact with those who had passed on.

### ASTRAL TRAVEL.

Monsieur C- started taking astral trips and seeing very strange things. Being of a legal cast of mind, he felt obliged to take note of all landmarks encountered during