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RUSSIAN CONVINCED MARTIAN SPACE SHIP HIT SIBERIA IN 1908

MOSCOW, Feb. 1 (Reuters)-The size of a hole in the crust of the earth made by a heavenly body on June 30, 1908, has firmly convinced the soviet writer, A. Kazantseven, that Martians arrived on earth that day in a uranium propelled space ship. Whatever hit the earth that day, at Tungus, Siberia, left no fragments of itself behind, Kazantseven said at the Moscow planetarium today, and could only have been a Martian ship laden with enough uranium to carry it back to the red planet.

Certain it is, he said, that no meteorite could have done the damage the Tungus missile did, blasting an area greater than all the Moscow region, and sending seismic shocks twice round the world.

"I believe the Martians left the planet in 1907 and arrived in June, 1908, but their ship exploded. A rocket ship from Moscow to Mars in the near future is a distinct possibility," he said.