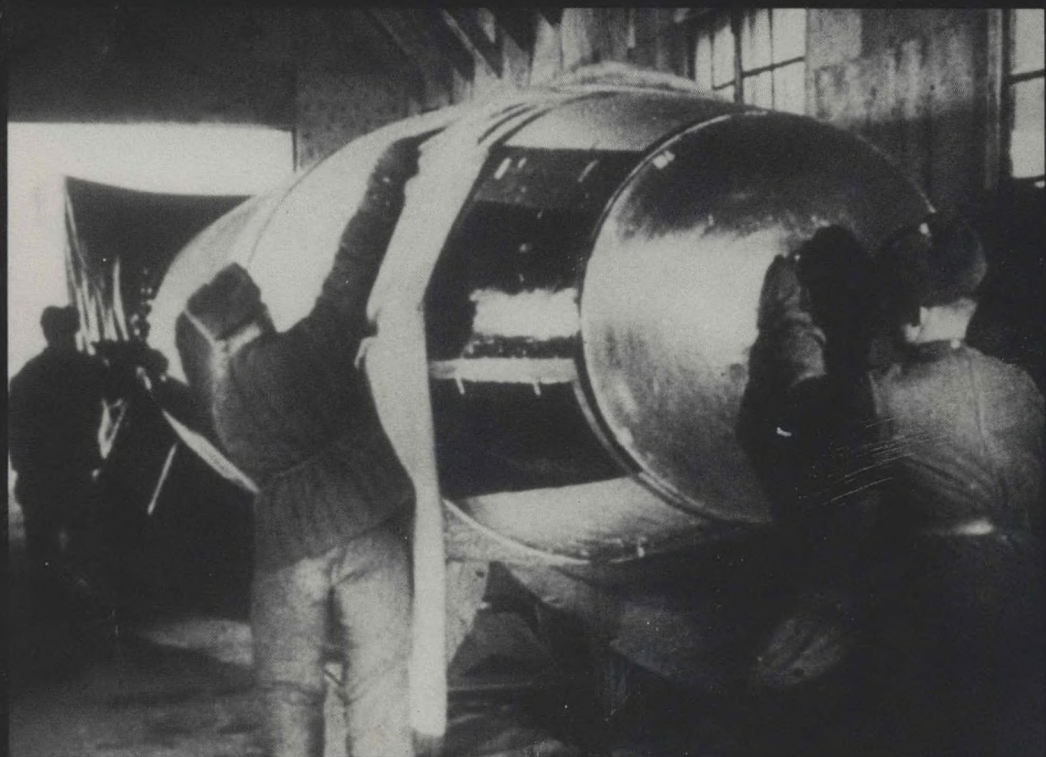


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**A Story of the Germans in Russia.....**

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**In May 1945, in Berlin, scientists who had worked on the German atomic bomb programme were picked up and flown to Moscow.**

The next year German engineers who had worked on the V2 rockets were shipped off, with their families, to Russia.

The German scientists started working on the Soviet atom bomb. They met Marshall Beria, the feared head of the Soviet Secret Police, and the scientists who worked under him. They describe for us the enormous efforts that had to be made in the Soviet Union to build a bomb, and the effect Hiroshima had on the Soviet plans. They also remind us that the Soviet scientists were so advanced in their research that the combination of spying and German expertise was not crucial. Yet after the first test explosion in 1949, they all received prizes for their work.

The rocket engineers were taken to Kapustinyar in Kazakhstan where the Soviets had built a missile testing range, and there they fired the V2 rockets. Then they were asked to help design a larger rocket, to carry an atomic warhead!

In 'The Other Bomb' these people tell us their story, one of fear, excitement, humour and deceit. We see the destruction of Berlin, we get a glimpse into daily life in Russia in the 40's, and in unique footage we see the first launch of the rockets in Kapustinyar.

The 'Other Bomb' is a visual evocation of a story of people involved in the transformation of the Soviet Union into a Super-power, a story of individual characters and great world events.

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