

# UFO MYSTERY COSTS

## JOYCE A JOB

A WOMAN who claims she has been in a flying saucer has lost her job.

The woman, 42-year-old Joyce Bowles, has been told by her British Rail bosses that she is redundant.

Mrs Bowles had told the News of the World that she met spacemen three times in three months.

She said they wore shoulder-length hair, luminous silver suits and high jackboots with pointed toes.

### Insulting

Once, she said, she and a companion were in a car when they suddenly found themselves inside a UFO.

Now Mrs Bowles blames her sacking on the publicity given to her claims.

She has been given notice to quit her job as an attendant in the ladies' waiting-room at Winchester Station, Hants.

She said at her home in Quarry Road, Winchester: "The divisional manager says I'm redundant. But



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the whole thing's ridiculous.

"There are two vacancies at the station I could easily fill. One is in the parcels office and the other is on the platform. But they

won't consider me for those.

"Besides, there's been a nasty campaign to get rid of me in other ways.

"I've had insulting quips about my meeting spacemen made to me over the telephone. I've had razor blades put under my car tyres at the station.

"My neighbour even took one phone call in my house warning that I shouldn't park my car at the station or I'd find a bomb under it. That frightened me."

Mrs Bowles's boss, Winchester stationmaster Donald Baker, said: "I'd be very disturbed if I thought anyone was taking it out on Mrs Bowles.

"I've simply been told she isn't needed at the station any more."

Mr Denn's William, a local National Union of Railwaymen official, said: "If they were removing Mrs Bowles because of her interest in spacemen I wouldn't stand by and let it happen.

"I'd do something about it—it would be too damn silly for words.

"We're conducting our own inquiry into the matter."