

# Reds Inflict "Third Degree"

Brooklyn Communist Tells of Torture in Russian Prisons to Force "Confessions."

## MEETS DEPORTEES IN JAIL

Found Twenty Men Shipped Out of the United States in Various Prisons in Moscow—Many Prominent Men Also Prisoners.

Reval, Esthonia.—The worst phase of imprisonment in Moscow is not the possibility of probability of execution, but the daily attempts made to wring confessions from the prisoners, says Dr. Morris Zucker, a Brooklyn communist, who arrived here recently after having served four months in the Russian jails.

Zucker was sentenced in New York in 1919 to 60 years imprisonment for sedition, but was deported instead.

Speaking of the life of the prisoners in the principal political prison at Moscow, which is called the "O. V. V.," he said, "the daily third degree to which prisoners are subjected if they are suspected of a serious political crime is worse than execution."

Torture Repeated Daily.—"These prisoners are taken every day, if they confess that there is a chance of winning a confession from them, into the questioning room. There, whether they have anything to confess or not, they are commanded to 'revel the truth.'"

"The communist puts a revolver to the prisoner's head, 'Confess, or I'll shoot,' he commands. The prisoner yells for the shot. He never knows whether it is coming or not."

"This process is often repeated until the prisoner will confess rather than undergo any further ordeals, in which case he is shot anyway."

Meets Deported Radicals in Jail.—The mental condition of these prisoners becomes such that they would prefer death, said Doctor Zucker. The Brooklyn communist says that he met in the various prisons of Moscow 20 of the radicals deported from America and that he could well understand why the Bolsheviks arrested them, for they were chiefly anarchists who did not believe in any government, "particularly in a government so dictatorial as that maintained by the Bolsheviks."

Zucker said he found in prison also the president of the Turkish soviet republic, Mohammed Hadiz; Gen. A. Gertor, once commander of the Russian southwestern front; eight members of the executive committee of the right wing of the social revolutionist party, three members of the executive committee of the left wing of that party, including Mayakoff, who

was commissar of agriculture in 1918, and also a former minister of ecclesiastical affairs, M. Samau.

Zucker described the summoning of prisoners for execution in much the same way as did Schwartz, the San Francisco communist, who came out of Russia some months ago.

## CLAIMS TO LEAD X-RAY WORLD

Bellevue Hospital, New York, Takes 35,000 Pictures in 1920; Use 22 Rooms.

New York.—Bellevue hospital claims to have the largest X-ray department in the world, occupying twenty-two rooms.

Very soon another room will be added to the department, to be used exclusively for treatment of cancer. Prof. I. Seth Hirsch, head of the X-ray laboratories of Bellevue, is at present in Europe studying the methods of treatment of the disease there.

Recently there have been invented in Germany two X-ray machines for treating cancer.

Fifteen years ago all the work was done in two rooms, when only in extreme cases was the X-ray used. No other medical institution in the world has taken so many X-ray pictures.

The first year of its installation something like 400 pictures were taken. Each year thereafter the number increased, and during 1920 over 35,000 pictures were taken of patients.

# Drug Formulas Put in Chinese

Translation of United States Pharmacopoeia Will Aid Drugmakers and Scientists.

## GERMANY TRIED TO GRAB IT

Attempted Before the War to Corner Drug Trade in China—Use of Different Standards Has Been Confusing and Dangerous.

Philadelphia.—The United States Pharmacopoeia is being translated into the Chinese language. It has just been announced by the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. Through the adoption of the American standard formulas for drugs and medicines, which the pharmacopoeia will

## ADVICE FOR MOTHERS



Los Angeles physicians have established a "mothers' educational center" where parents can bring their babies for mental and physical examination in the charge of the infant and child center. The center is open to the public and is free of charge. It is a place where mothers can get advice on the proper care of their infants and children. The center is open to the public and is free of charge. It is a place where mothers can get advice on the proper care of their infants and children.

"Combination Fish."—Junction City, Kan.—A "combination fish" is the term that is applied to Arthur Johnson's twelve-pound fish for want of a better name. Fisher Snook Hill river for forty years say they have never seen anything like it. The fish resembles a salmon, but has a sucker mouth with under the jaw a body is round and twenty inches long, with very few bones.

The statement follows: "Germany, before the World war, tried every man's within her power to have the German pharmacopoeia translated into Chinese so that German manufacturers might export to China drugs of German standards. It is understood that since the war Great Britain has been trying to have the British pharmacopoeia introduced for the benefit of British manufacturers."

"That both of them have failed is due not to the efforts of American drug manufacturers, but to the merit of the work of the pharmaceutical laboratories of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy pharmacopoeia revision committee, of which E. Fullerton Cook, director of the pharmaceutical laboratories of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, is chairman."

"The United States Pharmacopoeia is a collection of official formulas of standard drugs and chemicals for making various compounds or simple preparations. It is published by the United States Pharmacopoeial convention, under the authority of the government, and under the national food and drug act of 1906, it provides the legal standards of strength, quality, proportions, etc."

Thirty Different Formulas.—"There are about thirty different pharmacopoeias in the world, the most important being the British, French, German, Swiss, German, Austrian and American."

"Hitherto the Chinese have used German, British, French and American pharmacopoeias, and this has been a source of confusion, according to the training of the particular drugist who filled the prescription. This has led to confusion and in some cases is likely to prove dangerous to the patient."

With the Chinese government sanctioning the new pharmacopoeia, uniformity and safety will prevail, American manufacturers will have the inside track and the American scientists, who are the best of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, will be accorded added recognition for their services to humanity."

Public health. He has been interested for many years in plans to prevent contamination of the waters of New York harbor. It is estimated that there are 100,000 gulls in and about the harbor and each of them is said to consume an average of two pounds of refuse a day. To protect the eggs of nesting gulls and save the young from destruction by scavengers, Mr. Hatch has constituted himself protector of the breeding ground. This is the ninth warden appointed.

Formal dedication of the great Oklahoma City, Okla.—Lovers have found a friend in Municipal Judge Tom Chambers.

He handed down a decision that sitting in your lover's lap is not disorderly conduct. The decision was given in the case of Deputy O'Leary and Grace Reader. Police had preferred charges of disorderly conduct against the couple, claiming they found the girl sitting on O'Leary's lap.

Judge Chambers is a young and unmarried.



## THE NEW DISEASE.

REDDY FOX, as everyone knows, is a very clever fellow. He gets his living by his wits as well as his courage.

One day while Reddy was eating his dinner out of his bright tin plate he happened to notice that as he moved it he made little flashes of bright light, for the sun was shining right on it. Reddy Fox always thinks a great deal, and while he was thinking the light about the room he was thinking how he could use it to his advantage, meaning how he could play some trick on some one in a way that would get him something. Recommendation as to the child's care and special treatment is then made. Sick babies are not cared for. It is simply an advisory organization which examines the infants and suggests the proper care for each in accordance with its particular physical and mental attributes.



"That looking like Reddy Fox's plate," said Mr. Coon.

He washed his tin plate, and, taking it under his arm, he went out of the house.

Mr. Coon had a tin plate filled with things that Reddy Fox liked, but Mr. Coon had not invited him to dinner since this long time, and now Reddy intended to get what he wanted without being invited.

Mr. Coon was sitting on his steps and Reddy had put his tin plate under his arm. "You don't look well, Mr. Coon," he said. "Are you sick?"

"Now that you mention it," said Mr. Coon, "I believe I do feel rather poorly, and I don't think I ate as much breakfast as usual."

That night, after Mr. Coon had run away for a change of climate, he suddenly discovered, while running, that he was feeling very well and not at all ill.

"I guess I was not as sick as I thought, after all," he said. "I believe I will go back home, and if I have a second spell of illness I can go away for good, for Reddy Fox said the third attack was the danger point."

It was moonlight when Mr. Coon came to the path that led to his house in the woods, and as he came to the house where Reddy Fox had hidden his bright tin plate Mr. Coon saw something glister.

"That looks like Reddy Fox's plate," said Mr. Coon. "Now I wonder how it happened to be here. Anyway, did you see it keeping in the woods, and I need a new plate."

When he reached his house he was surprised to hear deep breathing from

under his bedroom, and not wishing to get into any trouble, Mr. Coon climbed in the pantry window.

He was sitting on the sill listening, when the moonlight streaming in showed him two empty shelves.

Mr. Coon stared, then he scratched his head, and then he listened, and then he looked at the tin plate.

By that time he had come to the conclusion that Reddy Fox had played a trick on him.

Whether Reddy Fox ever knew who was to blame for his fright Mr. Coon never knew, but when one day Reddy stopped to speak to Mr. Coon and on some one in a way that would get him something, Reddy Fox did not let on he noticed it.

It was a long time after this that Mr. Coon discovered about the flashes. He was eating his dinner, and having made his tin plate very clean by eating all that was on it, he picked it up, and the sun striking it made little flashes round the room.

"Well," said Mr. Coon, "that was the way he did it. Well, I don't see but what I got the best of it, for I have a nice bright plate and he has nothing to show for his trouble!"

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## "What's in a Name?"

Facts about your name; its history, meaning, whence it was derived; significance; your lucky day and lucky jewel.

By MILDRED MARSHALL

SOPHIA.

THE wisest of feminine names is Sophia, or Sophia, as she should be called properly. It is perhaps the only name which is closely associated with Divine attributes, and its origin dates back to the dedication of that most gorgeous of Christian temples by which Justinian declared that he had surpassed Solomon. It was called St. Sophia (the holy wisdom of God).

According to the "Prophet" in the Book of Ecclesiastes, "Wisdom is the mother of fair Love, Hope and holy Fear, and this idea is said to have suggested the allegory of the young woman with three daughters so called, and in compliance with the newly built church, the niece of Justinian's empress, afterward wife of his nephew and successor, was called Sophia. The name straightway became fashionable among the daughters of the nobility of Greece and was carried, through Slavonians, to Germany.

History records a Hungarian princess of that name in 915, and another, daughter of King Geyza, married in 1000 to the emperor of Saxony. Denmark is said to have received it from the latter princess and has since made it almost a national name. Its origin with the royalty of Denmark is unmistakable and its use spread through all classes.

England barely escaped having a Queen Sophia and even though Sophia Dorothea of Ytze never actually ascended the throne of England, her granddaughters gave it vogue in the British Isles in the reign of the House of Hanover.

England claimed both Sophia and Sophie. France makes her Sophie; Italy Sofia, Germany Sophia and Fieka, and Russia Solja.

Sophia has an old tatarian stone-maiden, it protects its wearer from danger, if it is engraved with an image of the sun. It is particularly potent for children and is said to ward off disease and promote peaceful slumber if attached to a child's cradle. Saturday is Sophia's lucky day and 5, her lucky number.

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## HOW DO YOU SAY IT?

By C. N. LURIE

Common Errors in English and How to Avoid Them.

## "HEALTHY" AND "HEALTHFUL"

THERE is a slight difference in the meaning of these two words, and the distinction should be made by all who desire to speak and write correctly. "Healthy" means possessing or enjoying health or its effects; as, "a healthy person" or "a healthy condition." But "healthful" means promoting health, or adding to it, or preserving it. Thus, we say that a healthy person is the product of healthful surroundings. "The finances of the country are in a healthy condition." "Healthful living is conducive to length of life."

A correspondent of a newspaper wrote: "Are plants in a sleeping room healthy?" It was evident that she meant, "Does the presence of plants in a sleeping room affect the health of the occupant of the room?" Of course, a plant in a sleeping room elsewhere, may or may not be healthy; and its presence in a room may or may not be healthful for the human occupant.

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## A LINE O' CHEER

By John Kendrick Bangs.

## LINCOLN.

IN SPITE of all his lard of care, War's worry and demerage, He never yielded to despair, Nor weakened in his courage.

He faced the deadliest of facts, As well as wildest rant, With patience and surpassing tact, And never-failing humor.

American both tried and true, The stormy battle defying, His fame will live the ages through, An influence undying.

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Here is the start of the first airplane forest patrol flight ever attempted in Minnesota, with the participation of the First Minnesota observation squadron and the co-operation of the state forestry service. Eighty-seven blimps are reported in less than half an hour after arrival on the scene of the fire. The 200 miles from St. Paul were covered in 152 minutes. W. T. Cox, state forester, is shown shaking hands with A. E. Himes, his assistant, who acted as observer on the flight. In the front cockpit is Lieut. V. C. Gault.

# He Will "Herd Gulls"

Harvard Graduate Is Ennaged for Lonesome Job.

Private Philanthropy in Which New York Millionaire Has Been Engaged for Years.

New York.—Edward Hatch, Jr., who owns Four Brothers Island, near Burlington, Vt., a rugged rock that has become famous as the breeding place of gulls, has signed up a Harvard graduate for the lonesome job of herding gulls during their nesting season, a private philanthropy, in which Mr. Hatch has been engaged for some years.

There were 1,000 applicants for the position as the result of the insertion of an advertisement in New York City newspapers, which read:

"Wanted—A man to live alone on an island; inland lake; eight miles

from shore; transportation, food, shelter, boat, etc., furnished; no work, no compensation. Address: Summer-time, 600 Tribune building, New York."

"I have no faith in the theories of Thomas A. Edison when it comes to selecting the men for the place," said Mr. Hatch. "I have found in my experience that a search for the best personnel generally leads to the police man. He may start slowly, but he has the equipment and once started he goes fast and straight."

"That is why I selected a college man to be warden of the gulls. The job is one that requires aptitude and judgment such as an educated man may be expected to possess."

Among applicants for the wardenship of a lonely island were naturalists, lawyers, poets, authors, artists, ex-soldiers, sailors and ornithologists.

Mr. Hatch protects the breeding place of the gulls because he believes they are of the greatest value in con-

## Corinne Griffith



As an actress Corinne Griffith has reached the pinnacle. She is known for her unusual facial expressions and dramatic skill and as a "movie star" she is a strong favorite. Miss Griffith is often referred to as "the best dressed woman on the screen."

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