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And then, this is our combined July-and-August issue. We hope it is interesting enough for you to get along without a separate August NN. Back again in September. Enjoy your summer!

### **FAREWELL TO TWO "FIRST READERS"**

It's my sad duty to tell you that two of NN's very first Readers — Alice Buck and Jim Turriff — are no longer with us. For many, many years they were both strong supporters of this magazine.

I feel sure that they would like me to tell you one other thing. Both Alice and Jim asked their sons to pass on to NN their very last greetings, in the form of bequests in their Wills. I'm sure they realized that every one of us feel very grateful for this.

Alice and Jim won't be forgotten. They're both memorialized in The Charlotte Carter Memorial Fund. And as you'll see on Page 23, another Listing of Fund Names is being prepared. Current Listing, and full information, available for \$1.00.

### **NEVER FORGIVE?**

I can't recommend too strongly our new publication, with the title NEVER FORGET, NEVER FORGIVE!

In it you find reference to President Reagan's visit to the Nazi SS graves in Bitburg, West Germany. Plus quite a few fascist statements which you may not have seen.

After this went to press, we discovered that the media had played down the Bitburg cemetery, which actually contains the remains of 49 Elite Hitlerite Waffen SS Guards.

So the presidential visit was, in actual fact, a form of tribute to history's worst murderers. Not only did they kill millions of Jews, Slavs, French and Balts, but they also mercilessly slaughtered USA soldiers.

History and the people will never forgive.

### PEOPLE ARE FLOCKING TO THE SOVIET UNION!

We have it from a national tour distributor that travel to the USSR this year is breaking all records.

So take a moment to look over the ... LAST CHANCES on Page-26. They include exclusive Tours for farmers and seniors.

Plus the "by popular demand" health (and holiday) tours to beautiful Sochi on the Black Sea.

You can still make this your greatest travel year.

NN's Quote-of-the-Month: "We see Canada as a serious partner, and take the role played by your country in resolving world problems into account. Our meetings and conversations on Canadian soil have once again borne out the significance and the need to maintain and deepen the Soviet-Canadian political dialogue, and to develop and broaden bilateral relations in various fields." (Vitali Vorotnikov, Prime Minister of the Russian Federation, in Ottawa in June).

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### The Lost Tribe of the Arctic Circle

Truth really can be stranger than fiction, even in Socialism, as this true story shows.

Around 1957 strange stories began to circulate in the Soviet far north. All the more strange, since Socialism had come to these parts long before then. Throughout all of Yakutia the native peoples had schools, medical centers, and self-government.

Then came these tall tales. Rumors that a small tribe of northern people lived "beyond". In the wildest high mountains through which the Kolyma River flowed into the Arctic Ocean: In the far northeast of the USSR, the most isolated

territory of the Arctic Circle.

Any evidence? Well, nobody apparently had travelled in those bleak districts. But quite a few employees of Soviet fur-trading co-ops agreed that somebody was living up there, because every once in a while they came out to sell furs.

One thing for sure: these strangers were human beings, not any Abominable Snowmen. True, they talked in unfamiliar ways and didn't seem able to read anything.

Pilots flying the many routes of the Far Northeast soon put two-and-two together: they had long ago spotted small clusters of yarangas (huts made of skins), with little herds of reindeer around them. But never in the same place twice. And when the airmen checked, there was no record of these scattered groups.

Naturally, when enough of these reports came in, local authorities decided to investigate. Their findings were in-

deed unbelievable.

These mysterious people were actually a tiny tribe. Left behind by the Socialist Revolution. *Bypassed* by the Soviet system for more than 40 years!

None could read-or-write. They had no health services.

Actually a little tribe of prehistoric people.

Once they were discovered, the tribesmen quickly cleared up the mystery. Truly a weirdo chapter of history!

Right after the Revolution, when Soviet troops were clearing the whole North of counter-revolutionary bands, a savage detachment of the White Guard Army seized this lone group of reindeer-breeders. They tortured and killed some. As a warning of what they'd do to the others, if any gave support to the hated Red Army forces.

These people had a name for their tribe. Evens.

Horrified by the brutality of the Whites, the Evens agreed to their leader's plan: get lost.

Really lost. Up in the mountains. In the most inaccessible

region of this bitterly cold land.

From the start their isolated life was cruelly harsh. Reindeer could hardly survive up there. So the Evens cared for them first and foremost, often starving themselves. Many died of hunger and illness.

Some Readers will find one other fact strangest of all. The Evens refugees from White Guards were able to survive because they had a highly capable and devoted leader. He

was Prince Nikolai Buldukin.

Undoubtedly, the last "royal personage" in Socialism.

The Prince of the Evens personally went to find buyers for furs. Exchanged them for needed rifles, ammunition, salt, tea. Extremely cautious, Prince Buldukin would tell some people that he lived in far-north Yakutia. But the next contracts were told that the Evens lived far out on the desolate Chukot Peninsula.

The "rescue" of these people took much time.

First, a teacher. A doctor. Some log houses. Then a store and a little hospital. Above all, the school.

The first "census" showed there were only 27 yarangas, housing no more than 143 human beings!

Teacher Alexander Yaglovsky was the first "leader" of the Evens people in their new Soviet way-of-life. His toughest job was to explain what books and pencils were for.

Fortunately, the aging Prince Buldukin gave full support to the "revolution" bringing the Evens into the modern world. He commanded such respect that when these people elected their first Soviet (Council) the "prince" changed his title to "Chairman of the Soviet".

He died in 1967, but he left a wonderful "royal family" of three wives, nine surviving children, 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Many of the 86 boys and girls in the Evens school today are his descendants.

Already, nine Evens young people have a higher education and 13 more are in specialised secondary schools.

Incidentally, the Evens "town" is called Berezovka. It not only has a hospital but a helicopter service for patients who need more than simple treatment.

Major changes came gradually. It took some time to convince individual Evens families that they'd be better off if they pooled all their reindeer. It worked so well that they now have 7,000 animals in five herds of their Collective Farm.

And the farm has a thriving fur business. Last year the Evens shared over \$130,000 for their sable catch.

Interestingly, when pioneer teacher Yaglovsky started rounding up his first pupils, two alert Evens boys volunteered to be his "scouts". One of them, Semyon Tarabukin, today is Chairman of the Soviet. He and his brother were the first ever Evens to learn to read and write!

Two big advances came recently. These people can now watch life everywhere in the Soviet Union, on their color TV's working through a new space-satellite system. And a modern winter-time "highway", 145 miles long, enables them to bring in almost any supplies and equipment which formerly had to be shipped by expensive helicopter transports.

However, 'copters "as usual" bring them in grapes, apples and oranges to their near-Polar store.

Present plans? A proper small airport to accommodate planes all year round. And a big diversion of the Berezovka River, to stop its spring-time flooding.

River, to stop its spring-time flooding.

The tiniest and long-lost tribe of the Socialist system has come a long way since its re-discovery.

### USA is fooling no one in USSR

### You should recognize the extreme threat Reagan holds over humanity

The Soviet leadership sees in Washington the first government, in many years, which absolutely refuses to strive for any mutually acceptable agreement with Moscow aimed at achieving security, avoiding conflict.

In this grave situation you should keep constantly in mind one basic truth: in world affairs it isn't propaganda that you should heed, but real actions that must be faced.

Latest example: public opinion compelled USA to open talks in Geneva, aimed at preventing an arms race in space, and thus opening the way to end the arms race on earth.

But the "safer world" pictured by the White House in actual fact turned out to be the opposite. First, a tremendous new drive to build-up existing armaments (especially nuclear forces); to be followed rapidly by the militarisation of space, commonly labelled Space War.

In speeches, President Reagan painted a picture of some mysterious new "space guns" which would make war impossible for an enemy to launch. In practice, USA corporations and laboratories started racing full speed to create space arms capable of overwhelming the USSR's defenses.

### They want to wreck past agreements

No sooner had Ronald Reagan "reluctantly" agreed to open new negotiations with the Soviet Union, than a powerful drive began in USA to scrap the "Salt II" treaty, long considered to be a foundation for major nuclear disarmament.

"Salt II" placed definite limits on the arms USA and USSR could produce and put into position. It represented a real gain for peace, the climax of all the efforts made during the 1970's. But now, quite openly, at all levels of USA leadership (and propaganda) they are furiously arguing about how to scrap "Salt II".

The only purpose in scrapping "Salt II" is to clear the way for unlimited arms expansion. This was what Washington had in mind all along. Therefore, agreeing to discuss arms limitation (at Geneva) was nothing but public deception.

The conclusion Soviet observers draw from this is that USA had no intention whatever of seeking any reduction of strategic arms; and all propaganda noise-making to the contrary, the White House is using the Geneva talks to further its all-out effort to militarize space.

And as you can see from latest media reports, Ronald Reagan no longer dangles the bait of "Space War" as a means to tranquilize well-meaning anti-war voters.

### USA's main aim is "first strike" victory

That original Buck Rogers picture of new space weapons, painted by Mr. Reagan with almost poetic imagination, gave millions of people a kind of Hollywood hope that USA would soon possess "ray guns" so all-powerful that any Soviet missiles would be destroyed almost before they took off. This would save the world from nuclear war.

But very quickly the opposite became clear.

The planned super-weapons obviously would enable USA to knock out Socialism by eliminating arms parity (balance). And thus making feasible a first-strike war. But all sober observers saw that if this kind of arms drive proceeded, then USSR would immediately launch its own counter-balancing forces from any number of "ray gun" possibilities that are scientifically feasible.

Many millions have still to see that "Star Wars" is an imaginary armament system which has nothing whatever to do with limiting arms, or preventing war.

What is far worse: Washington is preaching that its new super-war weapons could bring nuclear victory to USA.

Of course this contradicts the President's earlier line that no victors would survive nuclear war. No matter! It's a different war he now has in mind: wiping out Socialism before a single bomb falls on USA.

This appeals strongly to the types who were overjoyed to drop the first A-bombs on the Japanese. But neither the propaganda nor the weapons will ever frighten Soviet people.

Propaganda for Washington consumption

Soviet opinion sees in the USA stand at Geneva something

that is as conspicuous as the White House.

There is, undoubtedly, very strong opposition to Ronald Reagan's military program, within the United States as a whole and inside Congress especially. With this in mind the "negotiators" in Geneva are not so much talking to the opposite Soviet side, as they are propagandizing these members of Congress who don't want to risk nuclear war.

In one way or another the experts at Geneva are telling those jittery people in the House and Senate that there is a first-strike system and with it they can win a nuclear conflict by beating the Soviets to the draw in space.

It's not all clear sailing for the Star Wars people.

Lately the USSR has once again proposed an immediate end to all testing of new nuclear weapons.

USA negotiators raised furious opposition to that. They "see through" this Soviet move. So do all intelligent people. An end to any further testing would inevitably lead to phasing out today's nuclear weapons also.

And that, to the man now in the White House, is the most

terrible blasphemy of all.

Lying gains no advantages for Capitalism

For years, USA negotiators (backed by media editors and "news" manufacturers) have harped on the need to work out fool-proof "verification" systems ... to make sure the Soviets don't cheat on weapons and testing. This has come up again at Geneva. But with a difference. As Moscow points out, USA wants to scrap even the "Salt II" limitations, so if the new Star Wars weapons come into production nothing will be left to verify!

You need no inside track to Buck Rogers "super-science" arms, to realize that the USA's stand on weapons in space would open wide the way to frenzied militarization.

This is exactly what Ronald Reagan and his military industrial backers have been driving towards, for years.

As of today, the continued existence of "Salt II" is all that prevents the world plunging into a limitless hurricane of scientific fantasy arms.

But if, tomorrow, USA steps over the fateful line, then victory for Capitalism is in no way assured.

On the contrary, just the economic cost alone would bring disaster to USA.

And disregarding the **trillions** they'd need, the new Soviet weapons they'd surely face would end their dreams of winning supremacy by pushing buttons.

Nobody believes in nonsense, in the Soviet Union.

### Do men want their wives to have careers?

This question is hotly debated over here. But over there, in Socialism, it's far more serious. Because women by the millions have careers of their own. Still, it's a very different situation. Here, men resent women who make big money. There, not money but "social standing" is the big thing. Can marriage work if the wife goes far ahead of her husband? Soviet reporter Natalya Buldyk passed on to us some private views of Soviet couples.

Nikolai, husband of Dr. Alla Vasilevich (photo at right), is proud of her. She is chief of a big (6,000 patients) children's health center, and justly earns praise for her excellent work.

Nikolai is a good judge because he's a doctor himself. In fact, they went through Med College together. Alla has shown that she's not only competent in medical matters but is also a very capable organizer.



But Dr. Nikolai Vasilevich has his problems. Often Alla works late and so he cooks supper for himself and their young son. "Equal rights imply equal duties," he says. "I must admit my wife is much busier than I. She's a deputy (elected member) of the city Soviet (Council). In the evening and on days off she is busy a lot on the phone. And then neighbors and others (even strangers) drop in to get her advice."

Not much private home life?

"Of course I'm proud of my wife," Dr. Nikolai insists. "I like to see her cheerful, smart, energetic. But, to be frank, I wish I could see her at home and go out with her more often."

The husband adds: "But if we want our wives to be happy we must make some sacrifices."

Dr. Alla has her own emphatic view of wives who are "too busy".

"It's not for us women to say what we actually are, but if our men think we have to cope with too many difficulties, why, let them volunteer to give us a hand!"

Apparently she's lucky because Dr. Nikolai seems to enjoy helping.

Let's switch from husband and wife to a grown-up son: Andrei Khotyiyova is 27, with a family of his own. His mother has long been a prominent scientist, director of a big research institute.

"Many people think that children nowadays are deprived of motherly care," Andrei says. "There may be such families. But my brother and myself never felt ignored by our mother. She may be a director, and all that, but at home she is a kind, cheerful and loving mother. Her duties never interfered with our home life."

Andrei adds: "I can now understand how difficult the situation is: my father works at the same institute headed by my mother. You can imagine how much discretion mother had to show, not to hurt dad's self-esteem."

This is a real career family. Andrei tells us that his wife, too, is a scientist and spends a lot of time at work.

"But I often think that our young son is more serious and independent than children of other wives I know, who gave up their careers to devote themselves entirely to the home."

Says he: "Men of my age, as a rule, don't approve of women who lock themselves into household duties alone. I won't object if my wife sometime becomes a leading researcher."



On second thought Andrei says: "Provided that I don't work under her direction!"

Now what about men who aren't married to career women, only work with them?

Take Yuri Kovalenko. He's chief of a department in an Institute of Languages. But the whole Institute is directed by Nina Krasnova (picture at left).

"Undoubtedly women have to cope with more problems than their male colleagues," Yuri says, "Still, I think they should go for careers. Ever since Mrs. Krasnova became director, the atmosphere at our Institute changed for the better. More discipline, true, but relations between staff members became more cordial. This could only be done by a woman: strict, no favorites, uncompromising.

"Mrs. Krasnova treats us as if we were her children. Knows everything about us. Our problems. In a purely woman's way she feels out moods. And unlike male leaders, she takes due account of our emotional state. This combination of understanding and business qualities makes for correct decisions."

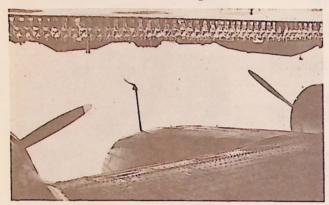
What's the view of Mrs. Krasnova herself?

"I wonder why people divide the world into men and women, when speaking of career qualities. It might apply if I were a blacksmith...physically I'm weaker than a man. But otherwise, we are men's equals."

That's that, in Socialism. There, today over one half of all people in career jobs are ... girls and women.

### War pictures they never showed us

According to our media, USA won the war against Japan single-handed. But tremendous Japanese forces, in China, were knocked out by USSR.



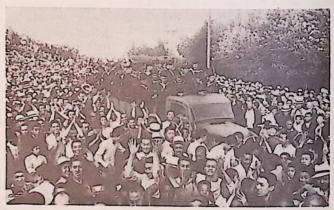
In a lightning blow (August 9 to September 2, 1945) Red Army forces eliminated Tokyo's entire "Manchurian Operation". Soviet air-borne troops, at Harbin.



With surprising speed a huge Soviet air-and-tank force crossed North-East China, crushing the occupation army that Japan had considered to be solidly placed.



The long-suffering people of North-East China and Manchuria gave their Soviet liberators stormy welcomes at every point along the line of their swift attack.



This scene in Harbin, welcoming Soviet sailors, was typical of the population's attitude to the forces that ended their bitter experience with the Japanese.



Red Army forces learned to have no trust in the Tokyo enemy. Here is a dramatic moment near the end, when Japanese officers carrying the white flag of surrender came to negotiate on a railway bridge.



Already in August (1945) Red Marines from the Soviet Fleet raised the flag over the harbor of Port Arthur, now the city of Lushun, in China. The Japanese occupied an enormous part of China during the war and used it as a base for their operations in the Pacific. Without any atomic bomb massacres, Soviet forces swiftly smashed the enemy.

### **How Hitlerism** was finally wiped out

To the end, Hitler dreamed of holding Berlin as the Soviets had defended Moscow. Here's why the cowardly "Feuhrer" blew his brains out.

"We anticipated this blow," Hitler lied to his troops on April 14, 1945. "We are countering it. The enemy is being met with colossal forces. 'Volksturm' armies are reinforcing the front. Berlin will remain German!"

The task of taking Berlin was, indeed, tremendous, for the entire region had been converted into a fortress some 20 miles square ... 400 square miles of stone and guns.

Later, General Jodl admitted that Hitler had ordered him to disband the entire German reserve army and pour every man into the Berlin fortifications.

Plus nature's defenses: a great network of lakes, rivers, canals and ravines, bristling with armaments.

As Red Army troops discovered, Hitler's boast to hold Berlin was based on converting every street, alley, house, canal, river and bridge into a systematic arrangement of three circular defense lines. Besides all regular troops, the Hitlerites had 200 "Volksturm" battalions of specially trained fanatical defenders of the Feuhrer.

Imagine: all 600 of Berlin's big anti-aircraft guns were turned into defense artillery, and hundreds of tanks were "dug in" for point-blank fire at attacking forces.

In the last few weeks Hitler's SS forces had mobilised

400,000 civilians to rush even more fortifications. Hitler did have a plan. To drag out the battle for Berlin so long that the Red Army would be bled to death. Just like the fate of the Nazis outside Moscow. History revealed the difference: German soldiers weren't Soviet soldiers.

Equally important: Hitler's "strategy" was no match for the intelligence and experience of Red Army commanders, from Stalin and Marshal Zhukov down to unit officers.

As Zhukov later revealed, the Red Army Command decided to take Berlin by delivering the Nazis a sudden stunning blow, in the pitch darkness just before dawn, followed by the blinding "sunrise" of 140 giant anti-aircraft searchlights turned downwards to ground level targets.

This may sound quite feasible, on paper. But it involved concentrating tremendous numbers of tanks, heavy guns, aircraft, bombs, shells ... many trainloads that had to be brought to the front completely camouflaged. In addition, Soviet planners had to make sure that all the accumulated arms and supplies could be continuously poured to the front.

lines, faster as the attack gained momentum.

Nothing in any military "manuals" had ever coped with such tasks. And the Red Army had never, in any of its "greatest ever" assaults, faced such a target as Berlin.

Never mind materials. Picture the troops. The Berlin Operation drew 68 Red Army divisions! Using 3,155 tanks, 42,000 big guns.

Incidentally, it has never been told in our media that along with Soviet armies, two all-Polish armies took part in the final assault on Hitler's stronghold. They were led by General Stanislaw Poplawski and General Karol Swerczewski, and went right through the capital of Nazism along with the Red Armies (First Byelorussian and First Ukrainian Armies).



The beginning of the end for Berlin (and Hitler) began at exactly 5 a.m. on April 16. Normally, the whole city area could be seen, in daylight, from the Soviet command post. But that morning there was a dense fog.

Never in history had a fog been "dispersed" this way. By the instantaneous firing of tens of thousands of guns, mortars, rocket-throwers. Perfectly timed, hundreds of Soviet bombers poured thousands of bombs down on to the hitlerite's fortress-city.

All this in darkness. The assault was kept up for 30 minutes, the biggest barrage in military history.

Then the proverbial deathly silence.

At first it seemed as if the Nazis were, indeed, dead. In the silence they returned not a single shot.

Then, just as some of their artillery batteries came to life, the world's first battlefield "searchlight sunrise" dawned: those 140 huge anti-aircraft lights. The entire battle-front was brilliantly illuminated, and hundreds of Soviet tanks rumbled forward towards objectives which they could now

clearly see. But so heavy was the Soviet gun and bomb fire that the dust and smoke became impenetrable.

In that situation the Nazi defenders gradually overcame their shock and began returning heavy fire from their fortifications. Two Soviet tank armies were sent into action. By the morning of April 18 they had cleared the way to the heart of Berlin.

The next stage was one of unprecedented violence. It lasted for five days. Then two giant Soviet forces (First Ukrainian and First Byelorussian) surrounded Berlin. They split the Nazis into two halves. But the hitlerites still had 400,000 elite troops in action, "dug inside" endless systems of fortifications: massive city walls, underground bomb shelters, subterranean "streets".

At this point in the battle the main Soviet task was to prevent those 400,000 troops from collecting into powerful units. This was done by concentrating all assaults on "pockets of resistance" destroying them one by one.

From April 21 to May 2 Soviet forces fired into Berlin the incredible total of 1,800,000 shells.

One last surprising development took place. General Keitel saw that Berlin must fall unless all the remaining Nazi forces, on the front facing the Americans, were pulled into Berlin. He and Goebbels reported to Hitler. The Feuhrer agreed ... and gave orders for using all those troops in a counter-offensive against the Soviets!

Such was Hitler's last fantasy. Apparently in fear of being turned over to a World Court, he took the route of the coward, and on April 30 killed himself.

That same day a huge Red Army banner was unfurled from the high tower of the Reichstag. The exact time of the capture of Berlin was 2.25 p.m. April 30, although artillery fire continued into May 2.

### Climb high to save your heart



For a long time specialists from all over the world have noted that thousands of people in the Caucasian Mountains of USSR live to be very, very old, in remarkably good health.

Some researchers explain this by pointing to the heavy physical exercise mountain-folk get, just going from place to place in everyday life.

At the Cardiology Institute of the Kirghiz Soviet Socialist Republic they've not only studied this question thoroughly, but they've developed "mountain cures" for sick hearts.

Dr. Mirsaid Mirrakhimov, the institute's director, has spent eight years creating the world's only "heart park". It's right inside the Kirghiz capital, Frunze. Close to the border of China and the Tien Shan mountains. The park itself has many laboratories for studying heart patients. But in addition, 3000 feet higher up in the mountains they have big "out patient clinics", where patients go for treatments.

The essence of Dr. Mirrakhimov's therapy is continuous strain on the heart.

First, the effort of walking around in the mountains.

Second, the strain of getting enough oxygen into the blood stream when breathing the "rarefied" air that prevails at those altitudes (very high above sea-level).

Incidentally, Dr. Mirrakhimov himself developed these new high altitude treatments, and prescribes no procedures that he hasn't tried personally.

Goes without saying that many elaborate studies were made of ailing hearts. Lungs. Oxygen in lungs, blood, body tissues. How these factors change with rising altitude. What actually takes place when weakened hearts begin to respond favorably to the treatment.

The Institute very soon discovered that no simple "climb" up the mountains can achieve heart-disease cures.

Today, the average patient (after thorough study "down on the ground" in the Frunze park) can expect to spend two to four months up in a high-altitude therapy center.

The third phase of treatment brings the patient back down to Frunze, for a careful course of physical training to adjust the heart for functioning "on the level".

Obviously, this heart therapy is expensive. Figure what that time spent in hospital here would cost us.



But in Socialism, there is no charge to the patient.

There isn't even any "health insurance" involved, and so patients never make any contributions to "medicare" plans. All expenses are paid by the national economy, out of the very big profits made by Socialist enterprises.

So far, USSR has only this one mountain heart treatment centre. But it's already large enough to treat some 320 pa-

tients per month.

Even if you assume a daily cost very much lower than what our hospitals charge, the Kirghiz Institute spends a million dollars monthly on heart treatments.

But that's only for starters. The Institute now has a radio "remote control" network, which receives electronic heart tests from clinics all over the Republic. In one year they run over 40,000 electro-cardiograms for doctors out-of-town.

As Dr. Mirrakhimov jokes: "We literally keep our hands

on the pulse of all the people in Kirghizia.

He's serious, too, because the Institute, in its own way, is already carrying out the radically new Soviet Health Plan, which involves diagnostic screening of the entire population once each year.

Dr. Mirrakhimov likes to recall a patient, who came in for a check-up, and admitted that he didn't even know on which side of his chest his heart was beating ... never in his life had he felt any signal, good or bad, from that organ!

That's become the goal of this Kirghizian medical man. He'd like to convince everyone that "We are the best doctors

for ourselves."

Already, tens of millions of Soviet people, young and old, are taking up mountaineering for holidays, sports and health. Even short trips and activity at high altitude benefits most people dramatically, summer or winter.

Here in Canada (and USA) as in USSR, we have exceptionally great opportunities to use this new "mountain therapy".

But just remember: in that Frunze park they check every heart carefully before prescribing any big climbs.

You may find it interesting to note that a group of USA medical scientists, who personally climbed up Mount Everest, world's highest peak, arrived at some remarkable findings after they studied their extensive research.

(You can find this in *Science*, Vol. 228, April 12, 1985, in a report by the Canadian doctor E.A. Phillipson).

These scientist-physicians made their observations up as

high as 24,000 feet above sea-level!

Before they climbed, to see for themselves, they accepted the best medical opinion that human beings (even the healthiest) just couldn't function at such heights without receiving supplementary oxygen.

To their surprise, they got along fine without oxygen.

They discovered that up at those great altitudes the blood absorbed enough oxygen to support vigorous activity. In fact, their tissues got more oxygen than is considered necessary for life.

So those Kirghizian specialists are on very firm ground when they declare that mountain treatments can be just

what some ailing hearts need.

### How are they making out in Siberia?

After they finished the BAM Railway through Siberia, they invited the youth to stay. They're filling up whole new cities. What's it like when young people can get what they want, in the way of jobs, careers? Meet four of them.



Above: Dr. Andrei Sharapov, who moved to Tynda before the town really got going. Now he's 38 and has switched careers from family physician to an ambulance specialist.

He loves his family (wife Natasha, two boys age 13, two poodles, a labrador and a cat) but they all must adapt to his 12-hour shifts: one all night, one all day, then two days off.

It is the challenge of facing life-and-death situations that drew him to ambulance work. Now he has 70 people on his staff.

The shift-hours, he admits "Get annoying as you grow older" but he is up for promotion to Chief Doctor of the Tynda Ambulance Service.

Then? He'll see. His theory is that people should change their jobs every five years.

Nobody smiles at that. It's taken for granted in their system. And in booming Siberia new jobs appear much faster than people.

At right you see Olga Matveyevskaya, who moved to new city of Tynda because she and her husband wanted to make life far from their parents.

Olga started an engineering course but didn't like it at all. She then took a job in a fur-dressing plant. Found the work very pleasant, and so she is studying now to be a professional "dresser".

No limit to this career, because Siberia is *the place* where furs are tops in the clothing field.

With her wages and her husband's (he's an engineer) they do quite well. Their 3-year-old daughter Alyona is happy in Kindergarten.

In summer they go to Ukraine to visit their folks and tell them how good the new life is . . . in Siberia.

They're real natives of Tynda now.





At left is Zoya Islambayeva, who came to Siberia, with her husband, from far-off Uzbekistan.

There she was a weaver, so she was out of luck in Tynda (no mills). So she quickly trained to be a telex operator. And even brought out her young sister for a similar job "working on the railway".

Hours are different: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m, then a day off; 7 p.m. to 8 a.m. and two days off. The girls get 15 minutes break every hour.

Zoya sometimes feels the strain of her responsibility: she's controlling many fast, heavy trains.

The family relaxes in summer-time at their own country cottage.

Zoya plans to become an engineer.



At left you see Nikolai Rudenko, 37, who came to Siberia when his wife showed him a 'help-wanted' ad. He got the job, on the BAM line, and his wife became a school-teacher. They have two young children.

But Nick is different. Management on BAM appealed to him to become an inspector of drivers. At less pay. Long hours. And he took it. BAM badly needed new-driver inspections.

It's not an easy life. Nick must make long runs in the locomotives with drivers. Besides, he teaches driving-theory to big classes of youth.

Traffic is so heavy, and increasing so fast, that BAM drivers are re-tested every three months.

Plans? He's going for one more promotion, to top inspector level. "I think I'll stop at that."

The family spends a lot of time in the woods, hunting, berrying, fishing, mushrooming.

Nick and his wife save up 45 days holiday for a year, so they get 90 days, and that way they can see a lot of the country when they travel.

### Watch it!

In May President Reagan's special Gas War committee called for all-out new poison-gas production. In June, Congress ended its 16-year disapproval of such armament, which, in effect, is a kind of "Star Wars" program here on Earth. All defenders of mankind must now mobilize against this new horror.

American Armed Forces Journal reveals that already new super-toxic war-chemicals are ready. Some 150,000 tons in bulk storage, plus three million shells, missiles, bombs, mines loaded for battle use.

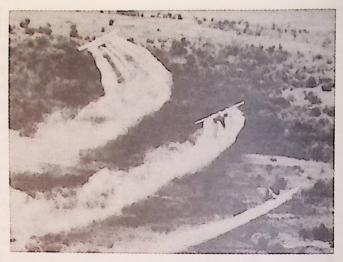
Several scientists (in the West) have calculated that these poison weapons, now held in "readiness", are sufficient to kill every man, woman and child on our planet, not once but several times over.

Rated by some as the most deadly are "binary" poisons. They consist of two "harmless" chemicals. In use, the two are exploded so they combine, producing extremely toxic substances. USA started producing them in 1950; used some in Vietnam; and roused world protest when an "accident" at the big Dugway (Utah) poison-weapons base killed 6,000 sheep. The program was then slowed down.

President Reagan speeded it again. Not secretly but in the open, as part of his anti-Soviet drive. In 1980 he stopped the discussions that had long gone on, with USSR, aimed at eliminating such weapons everywhere. Congress voted to start a tremendous new production facility at Pine Bluff Arsenal.

Mr. Reagan wanted 500,000 binary nerve-gas shells, plus no less than 40,000 so-called "Big Eye" bombs loaded with a different form of binary nerve poison. This program was not pushed until USA began to make Britain a base for this new form of weapon for mass extermination of humans.

The British New Scientist has lately been exposing, with real fear, plans to make Britain a "Big Eye" arms base.



Indeed, Thatcher informed Reagan's investigators that Britain could "handle" the binary nerve-gas weapons, with the understanding that mass production would start in 1989. Further, special cruise missiles, carrying binary poisons instead of nuclear bombs, could be readied at a number of British air bases.

New Scientist reveals that USA troops in Britain already are being trained at Greenham to handle nerve-gas loads on cruise missiles.

Britain's New Statesman in February 1985 published a secret document on manufacture of USA poison-gas in Britain. The subject was so dangerous that Thatcher took it up with none of her Tory ministers, and did not even allow authorities to give the report a code number!

Actually, as it turned out, British special troops have been trained to handle "binaries" for over 10 years. But only now has it become known that this is part of a basic White House strategy: to move poison warfare away from USA, closer to USSR. In effect: make West Europe the principal battle-ground for the new horror armaments.

They are nearing mass production at the giant new factory in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. This will turn out "regular" nerve-gas weapons plus newer more frightful arms loaded with "IVA" gas.

Science (USA) carries views of researchers who stress that the new "poison program" being rushed by Reagan and Congress is similar in one way to "Star Wars". It is not defensive at all, but sharply increases the dangers of offensive war.

Chemical-poison weapons kill with terrible agony, especially nerve poisons which kill by driving people insane with pain. However, quite a few scientists regard biological weapons as still more horrible.

The Pentagon is right now testing (Dugway, Utah) such weapons.

The "simplest" are germs and viruses which infect people with the worst diseases known to medicine. With millions infected (in war) doctors could not cope.

Incidentally, American Association for the Advancement of Science specialists vigorously disputed Washington's propaganda about USSR using biological weapons. As you saw here in NN the "yellow rain" weapon reportedly used in Kampuchea turned out to be bee excrement.

The biological weapons being tested in USA are certainly not "propaganda", but include many fearful diseases.

For example: Lassa fever, Ebola fever, equine encephalitis, yellow fever, and fevers that cause death by massive internal bleeding.

As far back as 1972 all major nations (USA, USSR included) signed a treaty to forbid such research. For years the Pentagon claimed it was only seeking disease cures, i.e., defences against germ weapons. But now they've discarded that line in favor of "defense against Soviet germ weapons."

So the tremendous Dugway arms research center (283,000 acres!) is pushing "military development involving modern biotechnological techniques."

Science (Vol. 226, P1178) reveals that a most "promising" line of research aims at new diseases "tailored" to attack only people of specific genetic features, e.g., Blacks. But also whites of definite heredity.

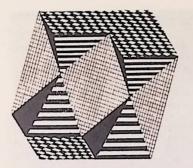
This frightful advance opens the way to destroying specific enemies by means of swift-spreading diseases which do not infect the "ethnic attacker".

Dr. Richard Goldstein (Science) rightly believes that "opening this facility (new center at Dugway) substantially escalates the biological arms race."

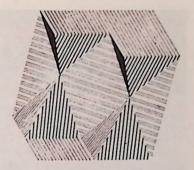
All qualified observers see in this new situation:

- USA's determination to start a new swiftly rising spiral in a dreadful arms race.
- 2. White House determination to achieve "superiority" over the USSR.

We believe at NN that it is highly important to alert people now to the altogether frightful threat of chemical and germ warfare. Already, USA is working to genetically breed new disease germs and viruses which could turn the whole world into a ghastly morgue.



### 10 Socialist Firsts in High-Tech



Reading the media, you get the impression that Soviet scientists can move forward only when they steal developments made-in-USA. But in the world of research the facts give a completely different picture.

A major problem facing agriculture is how to use weed-killers and fertilizers so they won't poison the environment. After some 20 years studying this, Soviet researchers have succeeded in cutting by one-half the amount of chemicals passing into foods.

Mathematicians using the latest computers have been able to make detailed "models" of farmland, climate, current weather, and specific crops. This enables them to "order" far less chemicals for a specific area, and still "do the job".

Big cash saving, much less residue.

"High contrast television", known in USA and Japan, has received a major break-through in USSR.

Based on transmitting very many more "lines" on the TV screen. "HCT" thus is able to give viewers a picture equal to the finest movie on film.

Top soviet researchers say their work can revolutionize TV starting in 1990.

The prospects, commercially, are extraordinary, since the world now uses 500,000,000 TV sets, and all would be convertible to "HCT".

Scientists at the Moscow Institute of Energy, and others in USSR, have developed a revolutionary new type of radar. With this the radar "picture" is processed by a special computer, giving details formerly thought to be impossible.

Already the radar has shown mountain peaks, on Venus, over 7 miles high. Flat-lands around Venus' North Pole stretching thousands of square miles. Enormous craters (one is 55 miles across and has another huge crater inside it).

Evidently a new era of planetary exploration has started.

A remarkable discovery by Dr. Igor Gubin, USSR Academy of Sciences, has given the first-ever exact "map" of earthquakes of the past plus predictions for the future.

Dr. Gubin studied the "maps" of 23 devastating earthquakes in Soviet Central Asia and India over 40 years. They vividly show "patterns" formed by surface shock-waves. These show exactly where the epi-centres were (centres of greatest violence).

Most important: the "maps" show where coming earthquakes will strike and their probable violence.

This opens the way to an entirely new direction for seismology.

Most advanced telescope ever made will soon be completed by French and Soviet scientists.

It will be carried on a special Soviet space-craft. It will "see" not with light, or X-rays, but with super power "gamma rays".

Nothing has ever been seen in this way before. Astronomers agree that the "gamma-scope" will take science out beyond the frontiers of present knowledge. The device will study processes in our Universe which involve fantastic forces, impossible to achieve in laboratories ... too large, too costly.

The 'scope weighs two tons. Everything it sees will be transmitted to French-Soviet observers. What they await is, literally, unimaginable.

Lomonosov State University scientists have discovered absolutely new kinds of chemical compounds, long existing but never before imagined.

They are "intermediates" formed before chemical reactions end.

Already it seems that these new substances will be applied in farming (pesticides) and medicine. Some intermediates show anti-cancer activity.

Power transmission lines very much "bigger" than any now used will soon be made in USSR, using "electron beams" to carry power.

A"pipeline" two feet in diameter can carry tens of millions of kilowatts of electricity.

Lines can be laid in shallow trenches at a fraction of cost of today's gigantic transmission systems, and with far less power loss.

First test-line is now being built at Institute of High Temperatures. It is designed to carry a load of 10,000,000 kilowatts, with current load of 10,000 amperes.

A still further advance seems to be coming: instead of beams of electrons they're trying beams of "ions", to carry far more energy.

Some "genes" that transmit heredity are absolutely different to those studied up to now, since they are not "permanent" but "mobile".

"permanent" but "mobile".

Meaning that "fixed" heredity may be rapidly changed by such genes.

First big possibility: new genetic ways to stop cancer growth.

Then: radically changing plants and animals by making their genes mobile in desirable directions.

Best, most powerful plasmotrons in world are made-in-USSR.

These are electrical machines which "throw" immense power through blasts of super-hot gases.

One use: to produce extremely fine powder-dust from highest quality metals, so complex articles can then be "pressed" from the powder.

Soviet plasmotrons are extremely powerful: several million watts.

They last for hundreds of hours: instead of minutes, as before.

Small portable models are in use on construction sites to give brick and stone exceptional hardness.

Biggest electric power storage system is being built in USSR. Its heart is an electric motor of 120-million-watt power (none of that size ever before attempted).

Motor will compress air, when electric power is plentiful (night-time), and that super-pressure air will later drive turbines to "return" the power to the system.

### How are things with them?



Dr. Oksana Makhno (left), nurses Lyudmila Samoilova, Oktya Zan and Larissa Sashkova, call on Alyosha Rasputin, to find things great with their patient, after almost the whole population of Irkutsk volunteered to give blood for him in a grave medical emergency.



New motor road in very far north (Tyumen) oil region cost 3 million roubles per KM (7 million dollars per mile!). First it was deep-frozen, then covered with insulation (peat), finally surfaced for traffic.



Things are great with Norma Martinez and Ali Gyuldusta, who are studying how to get more oil from deposits, using Soviet engineering facts programmed by a computer. They're Cubans. Norma won a medal for her excellent post-graduate research.



Retarded children are getting new lease on life by learning how to handle simple production jobs, as in this Vilnius Special Boarding School Factory.



These young Kazakh music students love to jazz it up with very old instruments. So popular that their quintet (called 'Sazgen') is now giving concerts. Some of these instruments date back centuries, and were long forgotten until students decided to restore them, and play.



For the first time, Soviet coaches have taken elaborate measurements of swimmers, fed the information to a computer, and in that way worked out training "programs" that bring excellent results. Cameras are under water.

### Sometimes people can tell you more than books



The new Soviet leader, Mikhail Gorbachyov, isn't limiting his contacts to grown-ups. He enjoys taking his problems to the youth, as you see here in Moscow's School No. 514. Most Soviet youth already have their careers in mind before they graduate, and how things go with Socialism will be determined by their abilities and drive.



Right: trains are rolling over the new Siberian "BAM" railway. There is no straight-through service yet, but several sections are already heavily trafficked. BAM trains have carried 50 million tons of freight, and 6 million passengers! Things going so well that this year will see a further 150 percent increase in haulage.



Engineer Boris Grishin Is making a name for himself demonstrating an unusual robot. Not only does he (she?) answer the phone and take messages, but also performs dozens of laborious home jobs. Has 30 blocks of circuits with 2,000,000 electronic units.

At left: Get-together of Soviet and Norwegian families, bound together ever since the war, when Fridrik Begstrom and Vakhab Ibragimov suffered together in Nazi concentration camp.





Joyous and yet sad re-union of people who were orphaned by the war and brought up in Kletsky Home No. 1 (Byelorussia). Many are outstandingly successful. Mr. & Mrs. Filip Shcherbakov, directors, in centre.



Life is great for the Batdelgers of Hentiy Aimak, in Mongolia. She's a famed milkmaid (elected to their parliament) and he's leader of a team of stock breeders. Two sons think wheeling is the most.





### Floating Railways

Another major railway project is underway in USSR. This doesn't come up to the famous BAM Siberian road. Still, it is big. And it will be in operation very fast: by 1986.

This unusual rail line will run from Klaipeda, big Baltic port in Lithuania, over to Mukran, in the German Democratic Republic. Actually, there will be no rail line except for tracks laid inside giant railway ferry boats.

Facilities for handling big freight trains are being rushed at Klaiped and Mukran terminals. No construction of this size has ever been speeded up to such a pace. The first ferry-line will start up in 1986, with all of them functioning in less than three years.

Why such speed? Because freight traffic between Socialist countries is soaring, and ordinary railways can't

Workers in GDR are making the ferries. These ships are double-deckers. They are 570 feet long, 78 feet wide. Carry two complete railway track systems

Computer-timed. As the ship nears its dock a freight train approaches. Rolls down a ramp into the lower "deck". Then a second train is ready to roll up a ramp to the higher "deck".

The two decks hold 104 large modern freight cars. Getting them on board is to take no more than two hours.

Then comes the sea trip. The two ports are 506 KM apart (300 miles). Ferries will cover it in 18 hours.

This freight transport works both ways: immediately the ferry is unloaded at Mukran it is loaded with another 104 freight cars destined for Klaipeda. They will arrive there in exactly 48 hours after the first trip began.

Every 6 months another ferry will enter the system, to reach a total of six. They'll carry over 5,000,000 tons in 1990.

Without these ferries the USSR, Poland and GDR would have to ship by rail 600 extra freight cars per day, which their heavily loaded lines couldn't handle.

The ferry-rail system will pay for itself in about five years.

The system isn't new for Soviet railways. They already have big rail ferries in the Caspian Sea; in the Far East (to Sakhalin Island) and in the Black Sea (serving Bulgarian-Soviet trade).

All these are due for big expansion as trade continuously increases.

The advantage of carrying freight by sea in railway cars is that the system eliminates unloading into ordinary freighters, then loading back into freight cars at destination.

For example: Klaipeda using ordinary ships would need 3,000 more workers, whereas just 150 can take care of rail-ship "turnarounds".

Interesting to note that before this rail-ship-ferry system could be started, engineers had to alter designs so that absolutely no pollution would develop. Reason: the whole area around Klaipeda is a nature preserve! Famed Baltic eels use these protected waters.

Another quite different water-carrier system has been highly developed in the USSR. This uses "lighter carriers", special ships which are loaded with "floating containers" (lighters).

The main ship anchors off-shore. It lowers the lighters into the water. They proceed to water-side docks (or even landing-places without any docks).

An average freighter at a standard dock may take a week to unload cargo. A ship full of lighters can get all freight ashore in under 40 hours.

Soviet and Czechoslovak designers have built very big carriers that take 300 lighters at once.

Several systems are used. In one, the carrier has a massive ramp at the rear, for taking lighters on and off. Another lifts lighters with a crane.

The third type is fascinating, because the carrier vessel partly sinks, in order to allow lighters to float on or off.

Some lighters are self-powered.

The largest Soviet lighter-carriers can handle 25 lighters (1200 tons of freight in each) plus hundreds of ordinary containers (20-tons).

Biggest advantage: no cargo handling in ports. Rather, delivery of cargo where no real ports exist.

As in undeveloped countries and up in the extreme north.

But lighters are also highly efficient in densely trafficked rivers, such as the Danube. Shipping cargoes to far-away destinations, in lighters, can cut shipping time to one-third. With very much less cargo damage.

Millions of tons of freight have been shipped this way by Socialist nations.

It's so successful that workers in the big Kerch shipyards are now building the world's first nuclear-powered lighter carrier.

It will carry 27,000 tons of lighters or containers, and is intended for use in the Polar Sea.

### How Socialism mixes seventeen Nationalities

Many people feel saddened as they watch on TV the endless slaughter of human beings who are divided by wretched notions of national "exclusiveness". If the tragedies of the Middle East make you despair of mankind's future, it is refreshing to learn of an unusual place in the USSR.

This is a district within the Moldavian Republic. Its name is,

significantly, the Comrade District.

Founded after the war, now 68,000 people live there. They are all *Soviet people*. But they also count among themselves seventeen different nationalities.

Most of them are Gagauzes, Ukrainians, Moldavians, Russians, Bulgarians and Armenians. Plus eleven other nationalities.

They have their own district Soviet (Council) and in the last elections they voted to seat 85 deputies. Nearly half were women. Some 42 are Gagauzes, 20 are Moldavians, 9 Bulgarians, 8 Russians, 4 Ukrainians, 1 Jew, 1 Armenian.

Traditionally, this region specialized in wine-growing. But it has been developing industries, lately; as in many Soviet farming areas the Comrade District now has a fairly large

"industrial agricultural" complex.

Over 3,200 workers are employed, of all the nationalities. To help them expand production the District now has three trade schools for teen-agers, with 1,100 enrolled this year. They are training to be builders, machine-builders, land improvement specialists and garment workers.

"Recruiting" young people for industry doesn't harm the wine-growing base of this area, since all aspects of the econ-

omy are booming.

For a time the Gagauze families weren't too enthusiastic about getting their youngsters into factories ... Gagauzes have a very old tradition of excellence in cultivating vineyards and making highest-quality wines. But the young people themselves gradually become attracted to more "modern" ways of earning their living, and look for jobs in the district's eleven large plants.

These include a big dairy establishment, industrialized bakery, concrete construction plant and a carpet-making

factory.

On the land, also, complex machines are transforming many farm operations into factory-type work.





Obviously, with 17 different nationalities, they're bound to have a language problem. However, in Socialism, the very basic factor in solving that problem is **labor**, **work**. They're all working for Socialism, the common good, and not for nothing did they choose the word *Comrade* for their district. Language difficulties have always been tackled here in comradely fashion.

It may surprise some Readers to learn that a **child's parents** decide what language he or she should use in both primary and high school.

So, understandably, they have a lot of teachers: today, over 1000.

However, life has taught them to be **practical**. Since most families are Moldavians or Russians, the majority of school classes are in those languages. But since the district is part of Moldavia, even in Russian classes the pupils get Moldavian.

And in order to get a wide grasp of all the world's culture and science, the "minority" boys and girls also get a good knowledge of Russian (which literally opens the door of the world to them). As in many other Soviet regions now, most people in the Comrade District regard Russian as their second language. For the Russians, it is Moldavian.

Special care was taken in Gagauze school classes. These people, with very old traditions, did not even have a written script of their own 25 years ago! The first Gagauze dictionary also appeared then.

All the comrades of Comrade District recognize another problem. Every nationality has traditions: some excellent, some out-dated and harmful. The people of this district have long been committed to a policy of encouraging what's good in people's customs, while gradually discouraging traditions that can be harmful.

This "social process" is greatly helped now by growing popularity of mixed marriages.

When the district was formed, long-standing customs made such marriages very rare. Nowadays, the bride-and-groom are more likely to be of different nationalities than the same.

This "radical" change has been speeded by another Soviet "law": the child of a mixed marriage has the legal right to decide what nationality he or she is. That choice is made at age 16, and the authorities are required to accept the youngster's decision, entering it in the "passport".

Literally, Soviet people are what they choose to be. And this is indeed "a happy thing" in Comrade District. Take a look at the school-kids in our photo.

Comrade District elects six members to the Soviet of Moldavia (Parliament). In 1985 the voters chose two Gagauzes (engineer and building worker). One Bulgarian woman (farmer). Two Moldavian women (vineyard workers). And the other Gagauze (Communist Party official).

So in the Republic's Parliament they have four members who are not Moldavians, but members of small minorities.

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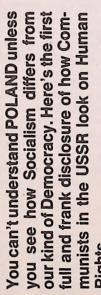
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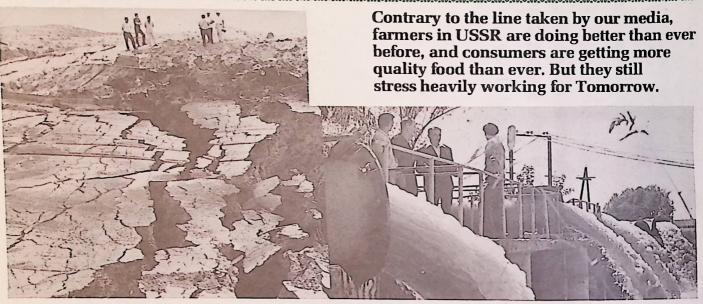
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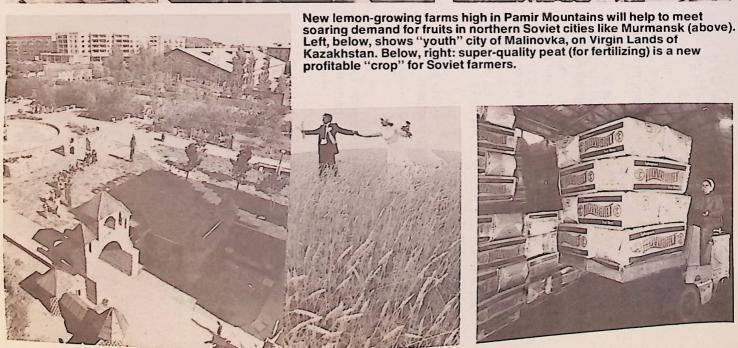
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Almost "fried" by long-continued drought, this semi-desert land in Soviet Azerbaijan becomes highly productive, immediately it is reached by irrigation systems. All the planners have to do this year is line up young farm people who want to tackle several hundred thousand acres of prime fertile (watered) farmland.

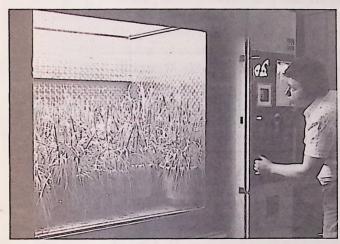








First photo we've ever had of "Korneyev's Orchard" which is famous in USSR. Long ago Andrei Korneyev showed how fruits could thrive in cold regions like Volgograd (Stalingrad). His son Viktor carried on the work without much support. He and his young son Rolland went to war in 1941. Both returned safely. Then the experts paid attention to this remarkably fruitful orchard. Now unique pears, cherries, plums and apples, originating here, go far and wide to distant Co-Ops and State Farms.



Above: this photo and one below look similar, but actually the small one shows breeding center built in East Germany, for developing new winter wheats. Below: world's only "space farm" is still on earth, but intended to grow many food crops in space-craft used for long-term flights.





Big new Co-Op Farm in Uzbeklstan has expanded so fast, and has such high birth-rate, that they've had to set up five day-care centres like this one. Kids are happy, and working-mothers have no worries.



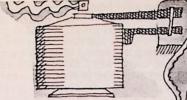


Many thousands of homes like this have been built for farmers this year. It's a one-family house, in Moldavia. Big advance over previous farm housing.



Many leading Soviet agricultural scientists are women. This group works for a "Scientific-Production" centre, specializing in new varieties of grape-vines.

### "Vitamin Appetite"



Soviet nutritionists emphasize far stronger than ours do the vital part played by Appetite. If your food doesn't "send you" then its vitamin content is largely wasted. But if your appetite is roused, then your digestion is stimulated, and you can forget the pills. Here are seven dishes that are not only highly nutritious but can give your appetite its needed treat every day for a week.

Bread-Apple-Cranberry Soup

But different. Start with about 6 ounces of dried rye bread. Pour boiling water over it and let stand (water enough to cover) till it's swollen and soft. Now rub bread through a coarse strainer, with the liquid.

Add two ounces raisins, two ounces sliced apples, one ounce cranberries (crushed) and a little cinnamon.

Boil soup for just 5 to 10 minutes.

It's better served cold. But cold or hot you must top it with whipped cream or sour cream.

With flavor like this you can forget nutrition. But look at all the vitamins going with it.

### Genuine Uzbek (Tashkent) Pilaff

This is a good-sized recipe, a main-dish meal.

About two pounds of lamb starts it: cut into fairly small cubes.

Put seven ounces of cooking oil in pot, and in it fry seven ounces chopped onions, until they're yellow.

Now add the cut-up lamb and resume frying until

meat is slightly crusty.

Peel and slice lengthwise one-and-quarter pound of carrots. Put half of them into the pot (with meat) and add two cups water, with salt and pepper to taste. Boil it for 20 minutes. Then add remaining sliced carrots.

Secret of pilaff in Tashkent is to cover what's in the pot with one-and-quarter pound of washed rice, but, as you cook it now you must occasionally stir the rice without getting it down mixed with meat.

If necessary, add a little water from time to time. Judge when rice is half cooked, and then cover pot with tight lid, and cook over low heat for 30 minutes. (Less time, if rice appears fully cooked).

Must be served piping hot.

Apple-Pea Soup

Follow your favorite pea soup recipe using both beef (1 lb) and ham (1 lb) and half a pound of dried peas. You soak peas as you prefer (overnight?).

Boil beef for nearly an hour to get stock. Then strain it. Add peas. Add one carrot (whole). Add salt. Cook for an hour-and-a-half.

Now add chopped ham, plus 4 peeled-and-chopped apples. Cook maybe just 10 minutes more.

Serve each portion with bits of beef and ham. French-Canada never made it better.

### **Breaded Mushrooms!**

Clean and chop half a pound of mushrooms. Stew in half a cup of water. Add a cup of bread-

crumbs moistened with milk. Grate an onion finely, and add it to mixture.

Work one raw egg into the mixture, adding salt and pepper. Put it all in a greased casserole and sprinkle some dry breakcrumbs on top.

Bake in hot oven until golden.

### **Buryat Liver and Bacon**

One and a quarter pounds of good calf liver will serve four hungry people.

Cut liver into thin strips, add salt and pepper and fry quickly in butter. Slice three medium onions, not too finely, and fry them separately.

Cut in small squares a pound of bacon. Put it to cook in an oven-pan, with liver. Cook in fairly hot oven for 15 minutes.

As you serve the liver-bacon, sprinkle with fried onions.

### Carrots Go Better With Apples

This dish isn't "health foodish" as it seems; it's terrific, and even kids go for it.

Clean and grate carrots and boil in not much water until they're getting tender. Add shredded apples (1 carrot, 1 apple). Cook until tender.

Now add flour (or cream of wheat), one teaspoon per apple. Plus salt. Plus sugar. Cook all for five minutes with constant stirring.

(Note: better to adjust salt and sugar during this stage of the cooking).

Cool it. Form it into small round cakes. Sprinkle with bread crumbs.

The grand finale is to fry the cakes in lots and lots of butter.

Some people say it's better to mash the carrots after partial cooking. That goes for the apples too. Makes cakes very smooth, uniform. So nobody knows they're getting health food.

### Friday Russian Fish Soup

Fairly big portion here, but it keeps well.

Two-and-half pounds of halibut or haddock (or what you can get). Two cups finely sliced onions. Medium cucumber peeled, halved. Two tomatoes cut up not too finely. One lemon thinly sliced. Twelve olives (black if you can get them) pitted.

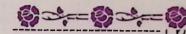
Get 6-or-7 cups water boiling, add onions, a bay leaf, parsley, salt, and put in the fish. Lower heat to simmer for 6 minutes. Remove fish, cut into chunks.

Strain fish-water (stock) through fine sieve and put aside. Set aside onions from stock.

Simmer cucumbers and tomatoes for 10 minutes. Add fish stock. Little more salt. Add the fish, simmer until fish is just hot all through.

Serve directly from the pot, right after you stir into soup the lemons, some parsely, and olives.

### Moment of Truth



Comes a time when each one of us must ask: WHO WILL REMEMBER ME?

And if you aren't concerned about yourself: WHO WILL REMEMBER MY LOVED ONE?

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With the speed our world is moving today, we tend to brush aside the fact that *individual people may not be remembered*, a few years from now, even though they did splendid work "clearing the way" for the future. If somebody's name is lost, then, tragically there can be no remembering by those who follow us.

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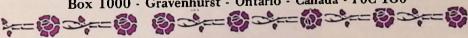
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Camels now are bred on several very big state farms.



Here in the Muyunkum desert in Soviet Kazakhstan huge herds of sheep are given concentrated feed during winter when snow covers the pastures.



The Karakum Canal runs through this part of Turkmenia, and as it is extended big state and co-op sheep-and-camel farms open up new territories which become highly profitable for Socialist agriculture.

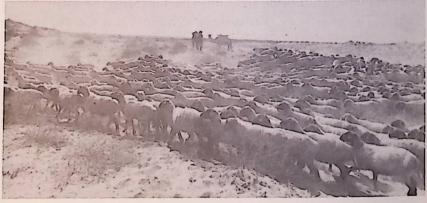
### BOOM in WOOL SHEEP CAMELS



The big Soviet sheep and camel farms are now fully modernized. Areas are so vast that herders have to be contacted by radio. Here Sailau Berdikulov operates a powerful radiophone which is the only contact with remote desert camps. There are no roads, but plenty of camels.

At right: On holidays the ranchers take great pride in "dressing" their pet camels for what really is a "fashion parade".

Camel races also are very popular.



This one Co-Op farm in the Karakum desert has 52,000 head of sheep.



### Why the Camel is — Jamal!

Sounds queer to us, but the lowly camel has staged a comeback in USSR. Camels on their own are big again, but mainly they are supporting the gigantic Soviet sheep industry.

In recent years Soviet farmers, for all their weather problems, have moved ahead to become the world's largest sheep-raisers. This year, surveys show, they'll be tending the incredible total of 150,000,000 head of sheep.

And there's no limit foreseeable. Their Plan calls for even faster expansion of sheep-herding than they achieved in recent Plans.

They anticipate no problems. Mainly, because weather is not a serious concern of Soviet sheep-breeders. The giant herds are all in the USSR's Central Asian republics, where rainfall isn't necessary. In fact, the very biggest "sheep industry" areas are in vast deserts.

In Western agricultural circles you find that few of our experts know how camels have boosted sheep-output for Soviet farmers. Note these facts:

- In Kazakhstan they're investing over 6 billion dollars in new sheep ranches for 35,000,000 (!) head.
- Vital for this program are the six new camel-breeding state farms, each with about 4,000 of these animals.
- Without camels, sheep ranchers couldn't manage the huge flocks they must tend, usually around 35,000 sheep each!

On their new "industrialized" scale, Soviet sheep ranchers must tend over 80 different varieties of sheep, each with special characteristics (and needs) giving meat and wool of the highest quality.

Thus there are two major basic industries dependent on Soviet sheep farmers: textiles (garments) and meat.

Long ago, camels were the principal farm animal in these desert regions. In Soviet times the railway and airplane (helicopters) took over most transportation. But after World War Two came the big push to expand sheep-ranching, and the economics of the camel couldn't be denied.

Nutritionists joined in the campaign to expand camel-milk production. Central Asian consumers were only too happy to snap up all the camel-meat the stores could get.

But the pay-off came when camels proved that they could rival sheep in the production of wool. In fact, today's camels can give 15 pounds per year of wool superior to that of finest-fleece sheep.

The USSR's National Council for Pedigree Camel-Breeding gives strong scientific support to all this work. But it's clear that farmers on the big State Camel Farms "got the point" because of the influence of Socialism in this field. The national economy pays premium prices for camel milk and fine-fleece camel wool. To encourage individual responsibility in camel-breeding, the State Farms as a rule give one pedigree camel to each farm-worker's household, and this is a substantial bonus on top of wages.

Important, also, is the fact that camels aren't fussy about their food. In a pinch they'll do well on desert thorns and similar plants that no sheep, cow or horse would look at.

And camels don't need to be housed in barns.



Young Soviet sheep-ranchers now clearly appreciate why camels have been the meat-and-dairy suppliers in the East for 7,000 years. Not only that, but frigid winter cold and unbearable summer heat of the desert doesn't bother camels with their built-in fine-wool insulation.

What's more, a modern purebred Soviet camel can *carry almost its own weight*: around 1,500 pounds! So who needs a pick-up truck?

We usually think of two-humped camels as the basic "model". But these Bactrian animals are now out-numbered 9-to-1 by the single humped Dromedaries. Together, both types number more than 15,000,000, world-wide.

A typical Soviet state camel farm now has some 1,500 dromedaries, of purebred Soviet strains. Farm workers (sheep herding mainly) number about 1,000 families, each with its own camel. Every evening a real ceremony takes place, when those 1,000 animals leisurely come in from pastures and march home. Each camel knows its own human family, and enjoys the evening milking-hour.

Actually, a camel must be milked four times daily. Small udders give no more than six quarts of milk each day. And machine-milking is definitely out. You must use caresses and gentle words. And . . . the camel's calf must be right there, or no milk flows.

It's very much worth the trouble. Camel's milk makes delicious butter. Cottage cheese. And the drink called *chal*.

Best of all, you don't need any fridge. Camel's milk is amazingly fresh after long standing in the heat.

Getting the wool from a camel used to be a tougher job than branding a steer. Men and animals were often injured. But now they use a kind of corral where the camel can be securely held while electric shears do a clean job.

Camel's wool commands top market price because from it you can make wonderful mittens and sweaters, to say nothing of big quilts. Large men's cloaks, valued in the desert, are made from camel's wool. They're called *chekmens*.

USSR now has two major scientific camel breeding centers, one in Alma-Ata (capital of Kazakhstan), the other in Ashkhabad (capital of Turkmenia). They're continually "improving the breeds" and now furnish camels to farmers complete with official papers recording their parentage and the output that can be expected.

Our photos (especially the one above) give you some idea of why the sheep-ranchers of Soviet Asia affectionately call their animals *jamal*. Simply, *beautiful*.

People become very fond of their camels. Holidays in camel-country are unthinkable without some kind of camel festival.

Then the owners compete to see how jamal the animals can be. Judges insist on the camel being well loaded (with sacks of straw). Wooden saddle around the hump. Beautiful Turkmenian carpet for a cover, with other colorful "garments" hanging down, topped by a magnificent "cap" and big copper bell.

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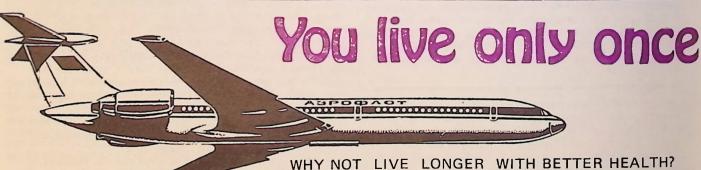
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Well, it had to happen. A famed choir in Moscow, of the Church of the Consolation of the Sorrowful, decided to enter European contest for performers of church music. To surprise of conductor Nikolai Matveev, this Soviet choir won the European Grand Prix, super special award of the French Recordings Academy.

Now a total of 36 Soviet nurses have won the Florence Nightingale Medal, highest award of the International Red Cross. Klavdiya Butova carried 180 wounded men under fire, and Vera Shchekina rescued more than 500 children during Leningrad seige.

An amazing lake has been discovered in South Pole region of "Queen Maud Land". Scientists noticed that tiny objects were visible far down under ice. Tests showed ice absolutely transparent. Not seen before, since air-bubbles make most ice non-transparent at even slight thickness. More: water under this ice ebbs-and-flows as the ocean does, but it is 100 kilometers away from the sea. Most: the water in this polar lake is absolutely pure, no salts. No explanation so far.

You can see them building a huge monument in Moscow, commemorating World War Two victory. Central walk-way will be 1500 feet long, and will have 1,418 beautiful fountains, one for each day the war lasted. Main building will show six "dioramas" depicting the greatest battles. Included is a memorial for 20,000,000 Soviet war victims. The public has contributed the very large sum required for all this.

A kind of super-size ice plow proves remarkably successful in frozen Yenesei River. A large square barge has beneath it two "runners" which act like diamond glass-cutters. Barge is pushed by an ice-breaker behind it, and the ship's weight smashes the ice once it is cut by the barge. Even in ice a yard thick the breaker can make three knots per hour, and biggest freighters can easily sail behind it.

World's highest hydro-power dam, 900 feet, on Nurek River, is built in area subject to many earthquakes. Scientists have installed detecting equipment everywhere in the dam, in effect getting a continuous "X-ray" picture of what goes on inside the solid rock. They got many alarm signals as the gigantic reservoir, filling with water, caused stupendous strains. Were able to take all necessary protective actions.

World's largest plane? Called Ruslan (after historic giant fighter) the newest Antonov freight-plane (made in Kiev) can carry 60 small automobiles plus passengers and luggage! Or 150 tons of any cargo. In a "hold" 110 feet long. Flies non-stop 16,500 KM, speed 850 KM per hour. Amazing but true: this plane was designed to carry loads too big for railway cars or highway vehicles. Mainly for use in Siberia. Lands, takes off, with no paved runways.

Power from Arctic cold is a reality. Based on fact that Arctic air in winter is extremely cold, but water deep in ocean is much warmer. Power plant will use Freon gas (as in your fridge). Pumps will raise "warm" water, and this will make Freon turn to high-pressure gas, and drive turbines. Gas will then condense to liquid, awaiting next supply of warm water. Suggested by many scientists before, but Socialism is now going to use it.

Electro-magnets of enormous power can pound big reinforced concrete piles 36 feet down into earth, in two minutes. Developed by Siberian scientists. Surprisingly, despite great power these tools are quiet. Can "dig" trenches by pounding the earth, 150 blows per minute. Can be used for everything from king-size forging hammers to super-speed window washers. Now working on one with hammer head weighing 60,000 pounds.

Farmers of Tajikistan have completed 600 miles of forest, in strips, to protect a huge area of cotton. This overcomes sand-storms which used to destroy crops in desert region. Previously, in entire republic there was not a single forest. State farms grow trees so efficiently now, Tajikistan will have over a million acres of woods by end of this year.

Until recent times, no one dreamed that mountainous Kirghizia would ever have a fishing industry. Today, fish-farms here deliver millions of pounds of quality fish, in Tien Shan mountains. In famed Lake Issyk Kul they're breeding super-size trout, around 40 pounds. In the once lifeless Lake Son Kul they have quality whitefish "farms".

### Sorry to be so brief!

Only five years have passed since "Soyuz-Transit" was formed to carry freight through USSR for other lands. Now European and Asian shippers gladly send millions of tons of metals, lumber, grain, paper, foodstuffs in Soviet trains and trucks, at marked savings because of distances much shorter than by earlier routes. Soyuz-Transit also uses ships. Cargoes leave West European ports and are discharged in Iran and other Caspian countries.

Even capitalism's economists admit that prosperity of Soviet people is rising swiftly. They measure this by a standard figure: amount of savings the people bank each year. Last year, Soviet incomes were up 2.5 percent, but savings climbed 3.3 percent, sure sign that population doesn't have to spend entire income on "living". A survey shows that no Soviet people bank money "for a rainy day"; social security looks after all possible emergencies. They save to buy items like furniture, cottages, co-op apartments, trips. And scale of saving is immense: people's bank accounts in USSR now total \$280,700,000,000. Eleven times more cash than in 1965.

World's biggest helicopter? The new Soviet Mi-26 has two motors each of 10,000 horsepower. They drive main whirling rotor that is over 100 feet across. Ship can carry 20 tons.

Almost never mentioned by historians, one of the first important steps of the Soviet government (1925) was to open the Czar's magnificent Crimea resort at Livadia, for use by the people. But people went there not only to improve their health. Nearly everyone at that time was illiterate. So at Livadia they got treatment while they learned to read and write. In those days they could accommodate only 10,000 people at a time. Now the Crimea has 330 people's resorts catering to more than 2,000,000 workers and farmers per year.

In big grain-growing farmlands of Kazakhstan over 400 Co-Op farms clear more than \$1,500,000 yearly. So they're investing in "agricultural industry" to keep their youth from leaving the land. Today, Kazakh higher schools train boys and girls for 100 skilled occupations.

Not many sports fans in the West realize that swift advances made by "Third World" athletes, in recent years, owe a great deal to USSR coaches. Rather, coaches who train coaches. Most courses given in USSR to men and women from the Less Developed Countries last for six months. Latest graduation ceremonies saw 55 trainees, from 27 African, Asian and Latin American nations, win their diplomas. In six years USSR has trained 261 coaches, plus many hundreds of individual athletes.

A major new Soviet space-craft, now being built, is going to join Phobos, the satellite of Mars. In fact the Soviet ship will be another Martian satellite. It will be "operated" from Earth, over a distance of some 114,000,000 miles, and transmit a wealth of information about Phobos, Mars, and also the Sun.

World's largest children's paper, Pioneer Pravda, is 60 years old. Appearing twice weekly, this very popular newspaper sells 10,700,000 copies. Close rival is the preschool kids' paper (mostly cartoons) with 9,000,000 circulation.

The humble (and rather ugly) Yak has become a surprisingly profitable animal for Kirghiz stock-farmers. It has adapted well to very cold but fertile pastures high in Tien Shan Mountains. Some 60,000 Yaks thrive there at very low cost. Milk is extremely rich in fats, and is curative.

### We're always grateful to receive your letters



"Looking over some old magazines, I came across NN for October 1965. Page-4 read 'You are called by History to show people their power.' For the benefit of all the many new Readers, I'd like to see this article reprinted. There are probably many other 'truths' that could be offered to new Readers. Still, the NNs for 1985 are superior to those of 1965. There is quite a difference! Congratulations!" P.K.

Note: We'll try to re-run this article in September, perhaps "up-dated".

"Due to the very dangerous times we are passing through and the great need to clarify events ('No one else is really doing that') I believe you should raise the price of NN to \$1 and publish a full 36 pages. This is what I advised 5 or 10 years ago. We are doubly correct now. Modesty in this time and place is not a virtue." G.W.L.

Reply: Alas, extra dollars won't buy the labor required to fill 8 more pages each month. Like the Soviet Union itself, we at NN are severely short of labor-power.

"Enclosed is a Business Week clipping, on the operation that cures near-sightedness. Two whole pages, and they insert half a line crediting Soviet Doctor Fyodorov for 'introducing it in 1974'. Talk about making money from Soviet 'high-tech'! USA surgeons are getting \$1500 per eye, \$3000 for the pair, for this extremely simple operation. Operation takes 5 minutes. Not bad: \$18,000 per hour.

"Have subscribed to NN for a long time and would like to express appreciation. Have long followed the progress of Socialism and want to comment highly on your style and clearness of presentation. I took advantage of one of NN's tours two years ago. Surprised and favourably impressed with what I saw and experienced. Planning another visit this fall." A.F.W.B.

"Thanks for your summary of new Soviet space ventures. Enclosed is a Globe & Mail admitting that 'U.S. scientists are green with envy at Soviet space program'. But on a day-to-day basis the media still give us next-to-nothing, while spreading pages on USA's shuttle." N.V.

"I worked in South America in the 'seventies teaching English, and it didn't take me long to see that the group of students was a front for the CIA. A USA Baptist minister and his wife also were CIA agents. Have studied this problem for years. Election of Ronald Reagan (and his lackey Mulroney in Canada), also Thatcher and Kohl abroad have put the world in greatest danger of nuclear holocaust. Am certainly glad that the Soviet Union is strong and will stand up to Reagan as it did to Hitler 40 years ago." D.F.K.

"In answer to those who are now claiming that 6 million Jews were not murdered by the Nazis, it is important to note that the Nazi holocaust was not an 'exclusively Jewish tragedy'. Much evidence obtained by USSR and western allies proves that over 10 million other peoples perished. Mainly Poles, Ukrainians, Latvians, Lithuanians, Estonians, Byelorussians, Russians and Gypsies. The United States Holocaust Memorial Council is charged with remembering all holocaust victims." B.A.

"Enjoy NN very much. Many thanks! You give me hope for the future of mankind. I used your April article on the Big Money backing Hitler for a letter-to-editor. They cut some facts out, but I plan to write again in due time, with those facts." L.E.M.

"Readers suggest it is time to rehabilitate Stalin. My own opinion is that it's not a matter of re-habilitation, but rather of giving a great man his due. Stalin was a giant whose sheer strength, perseverance, stamina and willpower brought the Soviet Union to its greatness. Man has his good and bad, and in Stalin the good certainly outdid the bad. To those who vilify Stalin I can only say: 'Rave and rant all you want, but history will remember Stalin as the giant who built, nurtured and saved Socialism!'" A.B.

"My father was a subscriber to NN for many years. Before he died he requested me to send in this \$100 donation plus a sub for myself." E.K.

"You mention Dr. Chas Higham's book 'Trading With The Enemy'. He was a guest on George Putnam's Kiev Radio Talk Show. His latest book is 'America's Swastika'. Research for it in California." G.E.

"We look forward to NN's arrival and appreciate its optimism. With so much to worry working-people the magazine brings a bright vision of what Socialism holds out for us." H.F.U.

"You say hearing from us gave you a big lift. Well, when I got my NN today that gave me the big lift. Sometimes a person who tends towards the Left becomes depressed, but really shouldn't. The world is changing, just as we used to imagine in our dreams, only much faster and better. So let's hear it from all those 'long winded dreamers'!" F.M.

"In April NN you captioned a photo of Mount Ararat as 'where Noah docked his Ark'. Surely you don't believe that ridiculous biblical tale. No modern ocean liner could accommodate two of every animal with necessary attendant facilities, let alone a mere 'ark' of Noah's day." A.V. Reply: Surely you don't believe we believe those details! Fact is: the Flood is part of ancient mythology of many peoples, and Mt. Ararat definitely is the place where mythical Noah docked his mythical ark. Many scientific expeditions have sought long-lost 'records' on Ararat.

### Let us take heart

It is no wonder that Socialism has grown and triumphed in the Soviet Union. There the people took things into their own hands, and they know they have something worth keeping. They don't have to depend on different political parties, promising pie-in-the-sky at election time, and giving little but disaster after the voting. Soviet people show they can control their own destiny, and for that we can take heart.

They will never go back to the old way for they have found the solution. Power by the people for the people.

As surely as we look to the east for the sunrise, we look eastward for everything which comes as dawn.

And just as we know that the sun sets in the west, so we realize that darkness comes from that direction.

Let us take heart and help spread the news of this great new Society; and hamper those who try to destroy the kind of society all working people strive for.

Let us tear away the blinds which are placed before us, and learn the truth about those people who, with very little help, stemmed the flow of Hitler's armies and saved the world from the vicious tyranny which had planned world domination.

Let us remember why World War Two was fought. Let us help the struggle to rid the world forever from those who are again planning domination.

Let us learn that we shall never win this struggle using old forms of government which have repeatedly failed us.

Let us join with all who are striving to enjoy the fruit of their own labor.

Let us take heart, knowing that we deserve nothing less, and we will not settle for anything less.

Sally Carter

"I get a big kick out of Sally's gems. Sure a smart Gal! Am overwhelmed by the progress Soviet science is making. Hope they watch Halley's Comet next year." G.E.M.

"Here's my donation. Don't want to lose this magazine, as it's the most important piece of mail we get." I.B.

"Your publications are very timely. Especially 'Poland Answers'. Very informative."
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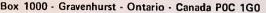


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