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Although not so common as it was in years gone by, there are still numerous places in the world where deformities are manufactured for various purposes. This forms the theme of an interesting article which recently appeared in the Popular Science Magazine by Victor Raymond. The deliberate flattening of the human head, for instance, says the article, continues to enjoy something

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**POETIC FANCY IN
LEGEND OF LENIN**

**How Soviet Leader Earned
Love of Allah.**

Among the many legends concerning the life and deeds of Nikolai Lenin already incorporated in the popular mythology of the Moslem inhabitants of the soviet union is one passing from mouth to mouth in Turkestan in the form of a song and summarized as follows by Lenoid Soloviev, a Russian writer who specializes in collecting Lenin stories, according to the New York Times:

The World war was raging and thousands were being slain because the kings of the earth wanted to fill their treasuries and were forcing their subjects to go to the front and kill each other. The stench of the fallen men and the noise of the conflict rose to high heaven and annoyed Allah himself, who concluded it was time to call together his most faithful followers and select one wise and strong enough to end all this misery.

In order to find the best man for the job, Allah set up a double test. His elected agent must be able to turn over a huge rock weighing 60 poods (about a ton) and to give the correct answer to the following riddle: "Who is the strongest on earth, who is the happiest, and who is the weakest and most unhappy?"

There were many candidates for the glorious mandate, but none was able to turn over the rock, although they tried so hard that the stone soon bore traces of their fingers. Neither could anyone solve the riddle, despite the variety of answers, most of which made Allah the strongest and happiest and Satan the weakest and most unhappy. Finally, Allah noticed a man of slight figure but with a very high forehead looking intently at the big rock. Maybe this little fellow can do it, thought the Most High.

When the last candidate threw off his coat and stood revealed in all his physical weakness, Allah's heart sank. But what was his surprise to see the man walk away from the rock and return in a few minutes with several beams of wood. One of these he shoved under the big stone. Then another was placed under the free end of the first, and by means of this improvised lever the rock was easily turned over, revealing the poisonous serpent Ok-Ilen, whose tail, weighing 100 pounds, had helped hold the stone down.

Then the little champion answered Allah's riddle as follows: "The strongest is the most intelligent, who wins every one's love; the happiest is the most honorable, who gives happiness to many; the most unhappy and the weakest is the man beloved by nobody."

Allah saw how wonderful was the talent of this man. So he lifted him up into heaven, where he spent 50 days and 50 nights learning the wisdom of the Most High. Thus equipped the successful candidate was named Lenin and sent back to earth. Lenin strode over the earth and stopped the stream of blood. He brought happiness to humanity. Then he returned to rest in Allah's halls. He left the world pacified and happy. His name shall endure while the word "happiness" lives.

So runs the legend.

He Liked Boxing

Paul was quite fond of boxing. Whenever he was with his little pal Frank he never lost an opportunity to deal him a blow. One day Frank, growing weary of being the daily victim of these blows, bolstered up his strength and dealt Paul such a box that he sent him home crying.

Rejoicing over his victory, Frank hurried in and told his grandfather. His grandfather reprimanded him, saying: "Frank, do you think that is anything to be proud of? Don't you know that the good Lord sees all you do? In the day the sun is God's eye and at night the moon shines on all deeds."

"Oh, that's all right," replied Frank, "I hit Paul on the shady side of the house."—Indianapolis News.

Cancer Research

Studying the light given off by ash of tumors burned in an arc light is the latest method of attacking the cancer problem, one which has been applied at the Hahnemann Medical college in Philadelphia by a trio of biologists and a physicist, Donald C. A. Butts, Thomas E. Huff and Frederick Palmer, Jr. By means of a spectroscopic, which analyzes the light and reveals the elements that cause it, they have found that the yellow lines due to sodium, which appear only momentarily when the ash of normal animal tissue is placed in the arc, persist until it has all been consumed when the ash from tumors is analyzed. This shows the presence of the element sodium in cancerous tissue.

Skyscraper Possibility

New York's recent announcement that it would beat its own skyscraping record in the construction of Larkin tower, more than 1,200 feet high, leads the London Morning Post to comment that the proposed building will be higher than the highest highbrow, and its elevators will give more uplift than the loftiest thinkers even in the United States. Altogether, it will be quite the latest thing in aerial suburbs. "I wonder," says the writer, "if the skyscraper is carried much further, whether the snoons on the top floor will be able to claim they are beyond the three-mile limit."



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