

1. crop -
2. to murder -
3. hunger -
4. feed (for animals) -
5. trouble -
6. house -
7. because -
8. backpack -
9. meeting -
10. farmer -

Three weeks ago the news flashed round \_\_\_\_ world that six British engineers had been arrested in \_\_\_\_ Moscow. They were accused of willfully wrecking the Soviet electrical industry and of plotting against the Soviet Government.

When I heard of it I was seated at \_\_\_\_ tea with \_\_\_\_ group of \_\_\_\_ diplomats in \_\_\_\_ house in \_\_\_\_ Kharkoff, 400 miles south of Moscow. A silence fell over us when \_\_\_\_ servant entered with the news. 'It is incredible,' said one of those present. Another laughed cynically, 'There are so many mad rumours in Russia today that \_\_\_\_ people are willing to believe anything. But that the Ogpu has arrested \_\_\_\_ six British engineers! No, this is going too far.' And we returned, relieved, to our \_\_\_\_ diplomatic gossip.

One of \_\_\_\_ group, however, was not satisfied. 'Ask \_\_\_\_ servant where he saw it.' \_\_\_\_ servant came and stated that he had seen it in that morning's copy of the 'Communist', \_\_\_\_ Ukrainian paper. I rushed out to \_\_\_\_ newspaper stand. 'All copies sold.' I went through the dirty Ukrainian streets. 'Not \_\_\_\_ single copy left,' was \_\_\_\_ answer everywhere. I returned \_\_\_\_ empty-handed, but feeling satisfied that it could be nothing more than \_\_\_\_ mere rumour. Next morning, however, I looked at the *Izvestia*, \_\_\_\_ official organ of the Soviet Government, and there the news stood in black and white.

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