

Death Camp For Children

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LONDON, Apr. 25.—The *Soviet War News* reported today that the Red Army had found a concentration camp for children at Konstantinov, beyond Lodz in central Poland.

Lt. Col. K. R. Sokolenko said each child had to do a definite quota of work each day or be beaten.

Each "prisoner" was tattooed with an identification number. Many were suffering from tuberculosis of the bones or lungs or skin disease.

The camp was situated in an enormous three story factory building surrounded by barbed wire.

"In the yard were a hundred pale emaciated children dressed in filthy rags," Sokolenko reported. "As we entered a little boy of five who first noticed us shouted loudly: 'attention.'

"What happened then somehow was more terrible even than the physical wretchedness of the children.

For at the boys' word all of them remained rooted to the spot. With frozen, frightened faces they stood rigidly at attention, their hands straight at their sides."

There were 862 children in the camp, all Russians, Ukrainians and White Russians.

"They told us their parents had been burned in the Maidanek ovens," Sokolenko said.



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