

Mrs. Alliluyeva Says Kosygin Curbed India Visit

When Stalin's daughter asked for permission to extend her stay in India beyond early March, Premier Kosygin of the Soviet Union personally turned down the request, she says.

"I applied to Kosygin through the [New Delhi] embassy to get an extension of my visit, but he refused me," Svetlana Alliluyeva says in an interview in McCall's magazine.

"Had it been Khrushchev, I think he would have granted it. He had always been more sympathetic to me. But when Kosygin came into power, the attitude toward me changed."

Mrs. Alliluyeva, who is now on Long Island while her memoirs are being translated for publication later this year, talked for half an hour over the telephone with Terry Morris,

the free-lance writer who did the McCall's article.

On May 10, Mrs. Morris delivered a letter from Mrs. Alliluyeva's brother-in-law, Lal Suresh Singh, in India, to her lawyers in New York. Mr. Singh had asked Mrs. Morris to deliver the letter when she interviewed him for her article on Mrs. Alliluyeva.

"The very next day," Mrs. Morris said yesterday, "the phone rang here and it was Svetlana."

They talked for half an hour, the first conversation, as far as is known, that Miss Stalin has had with an interviewer.

"First we had a very nice chat," Mrs. Morris said, "and then I asked if she'd help me out with some points in the article. She was really very gracious about this."

Mrs. Alliluyeva, who uses her mother's maiden name, arrived in India last Dec. 20, with the ashes of her husband, who had died Oct. 31. Soviet authorities pressed her to return home, but she was granted an extension of permission to stay until March 1, then to March 8.

Sought American Help

On March 6, she took a taxi to the United States embassy in New Delhi, where she told officials that she could not stay in India and asked for help.

She was flown from there to Rome, then to Switzerland, and finally, on April 21 to the United States.

The copyrighted McCall's article will appear in the July issue of the magazine, which will be published on June 22.

When Mrs. Alliluyeva sought

Soviet permission to take the ashes of her husband, Brijesh Singh, to his birthplace in the Indian village of Kalakankar, the article says, Mr. Kosygin tried to talk her out of making the trip.

"Why do you want to go to India?" he is quoted as asking her. "It's a backward, primitive country. You'll be uncomfortable. You'll not have anything to eat."

Mrs. Morris interviewed friends and relatives of Mrs. Alliluyeva in India. She writes that Mrs. Alliluyeva, talking about the death of her mother with Justice S. S. Dhavan, a friend of her husband's, had said:

"I am convinced that she took her own life because she could not bear the things that were being done by my father."