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Under Stalin (b. 1878) were meager. As a teenager, he had abandoned a successful

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poetry, with his poems in a Georgian newspaper, which he recited in front of others.

"On the day his beautiful songs lyrics echo in my ears," one person would

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but his profession—revolutionary—made for a "career" of hiding, prison,

escape, recapture, penury. It had gotten to the point, in far northern Siberia, that even escape had become impossible. He persevered, known only to the

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