

YANKEE ERA DAWNING IN NEW RUSSIA

Speed and Definite Plans For Development in Future Characterize Soviet — Old Submission To Fate Now Cast Aside.

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MOSCOW, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The new Russia is not content to prophesy its future in glowing literary terms. It jettisons the language of figures, percentages, graphs and tables. It tries to chart its future as rigidly as an architect plans the building of a house.

Therefore the extraordinary five-year plan of national economy. Therefore a larger but equally concrete 15-year plan in the offing. These are blueprints of future national development covering not only industry but science, education, standards of living.

Russia was traditionally a nation content to drift along, to wait patiently. The drug-like effect of its "tschechevo"—meaning roughly "it doesn't matter"—has not yet worn off by any means. Even its most conscious and intelligent portion was satisfied with vague gropings, introspective soul stuff, Tolstoyan submission to fate, to the progress was reckoned in centuries rather than in years or decades.

"American Era."
In the five-year plan and all it implies we have the antithesis of all that. Precisely because their people are prone to inertia and postponement, the vigorous Bolshevik minority insists not merely on speed but on speed accurately planned and organized in advance. For them an "American era" has dawned in Russia. This fact in itself, quite aside from whether they succeed or not in following out the blueprints, digs a sharp frontier between past and future.

The claim made by over-zealous Soviet friends that the charts and plans are being accurately followed and fulfilled are nonsensical. The grosser miscalculations have already been disclosed.

The plan as understood today is only distantly related to the one originally announced. The changes have been in both directions, the work being intensified in some sectors and slowed up in others. Many projects included in the original plan have been entirely abandoned. Instead of spreading over a large industrial area, with consequent "freezing" of capital, the present idea is to concentrate on a selected list of the most important undertakings and to make them actually productive as quickly as possible. That is the fundamental principle of the work outlined for 1931.

Outlook Old Plan.
In the domain of agriculture, in collectivizing the peasants and building up state-owned grain farms, the Soviet successes have been so great that the original blueprint looks like an incoherent childish scribble. The five-year plan foresees 50 million acres sowed by collectivists in 1933, but already last year they planted over 107 million acres. In 1930 half the marketable farm products came from the so-called socialized sector, that is from state and collective farms. This year half the neces-

SPANISH KING IN GRAVE POLITICAL CRISIS



The eyes of Spain's troubled populace turned to the capital as King Alfonso (lower right) and his followers struggled desperately to find a solution for the vital political crisis that faced the monarch. Above is a recent military demonstration before the royal palace. Below police are shown before the palace guarding the monarch from possible violence.

ant population, whom no one dreamed to wrench so soon from the grooves of private property, will be in collectives.

The price paid for these successes is enormous—in food shortages, ruelly to kulak families, and suffering generally. Indeed the price paid all along the line for Soviet achievements seems exorbitant. But no one here counts the price, no more than a general counts the casualties in a victorious offensive, provided only he has plenty of fresh forces and ammunition in reserve.

Tasks Accomplished.
The five-year plan was greeted skeptically not only outside but inside the Soviet Union. Yet by and large its major tasks have thus far been accomplished. Last year industry was twice as large as before the war and the increase scheduled for this year is larger than the whole of pre-war production.

The details of these achievements are too elaborate for the scope of these articles. A random quotation from almost any Soviet speech give an idea of its magnitude. Here, for instance, is Valerian Kulybshev, head of the state planning commission, dealing merely with plans for the production of black metals which are sure to be carried out in largest part if not in full.

Iron Example.
"Let us take pig-iron. In 1931 we expect to smelt eight million tons of pig-iron, which will outdistance the pig-iron production in England for 1929, which amounted to 7,700,000 tons. Even in 1928 the pig-iron production in England exceeded ours almost two-fold. When we produce our eight million tons in 1931 we will almost double pig-iron production in Belgium, although five years ago Belgium produced twice as much as we.

National Income's Growth.
The same sort of picture is revealed for coal and electrical energy. It is revealed in the great growth of national income, 48 billion rubles forecast for 1931, a sum expected in the original plan only by 1933 and higher by nearly 20 per cent than 1930's total; and last year's in turn was 11 per cent above 1929. The average yearly increase of national income under the old regime here was about 2 1/2 per cent.

There is no more than hint at accomplishments under unfavorable conditions. One could add such outstanding facts as the nearly total elimination of unemployment, the reduction of illiteracy from 77 per cent before the war to about 20 per cent now, the establishment of a seven-hour working day for 10 per cent of the industrial workers and a five-day week (one day of rest for four of labor) for 70 per cent of the workers; 14 million pupils in public schools during 1930 and 19 millions expected in 1931, against the negligible number under the old regime.

Coal Retaining Popularity As Energy Source
Government Expert Declares Efficient Use Cuts Consumption—Says Chemical Properties Factor.

WASHINGTON—(U.P.)—Despite widespread use of water power, petroleum and other sources of energy, coal will remain the major source of steam and electric power.

Such is the opinion of H. M. Hoar, author of a study issued by the department of commerce. His findings are based on technological processes of control, which have taken place in recent years.

New Processes Planned.
The fact that the coal industry as a whole is in a depressed condition is laid by Hoar to the fact that the fuel has been utilized more efficiently by new processes, that other sources of power are coming into broad use, and that foreign nations are now making efforts to produce enough coal to meet their own demands.

Electric Utilities.
"The electric utilities, for example, have been enabled to reduce the amount of coal necessary to develop a kilowatt-hour from 2.2 pounds in 1919, to 1.78 pounds in 1928, a reduction of nearly 45 per cent," he explains. "The railroads, which absorb about a quarter of the total fuel consumption in the United States, and the iron and steel industry have been effecting similar savings."

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BEAT PIANO TAX WITH AX IN GERMANY

Citizens Infuriated By Luxury Levies—One Makes Breadbox of Phonograph—House Cats Also Suffer Special Taxation.

By Wade Werner.
BERLIN.—(AP)—The Germans are a music-loving people. Yet in Neuhaus-Schieritz, Thuringia, an infuriated citizen attacked and utterly demolished his piano with an ax, while another inhabitant of the same town tore the works out of his phonograph and converted it into a bread-box.

House Cats Taxed.
In other communities the pressure on the citizen's patience may take a slightly different form. Several towns have slapped a special tax on house cats; others, like Berlin, disdaining to take out their money urge on the household pets or piano, have bluntly laid a head tax on every inhabitant.

No Argument.
But it makes the average German so angry that many cat owners have resorted to their means the footnotes.

Some Prices Down.
All such pocketbook irritations, however, are supposed to be counterbalanced by a general wave of retail price-reductions. Knowing this, the German family man often sharpens his pencil and tries to figure out the economy year battling average.

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"Let's see," he begins, after his wife has cleared away the dinner dishes. "My wages were cut 6 per cent on the first of the month; but potatoes are a little cheaper. Coffee costs me 10 per cent more at the cafe; but the corner quick-lunch room has knocked seven pfenning off the price of pigs'-knuckles and sauerkraut.

Baby Beater Is Found Guilty in Portland Trial

PORTLAND, Feb. 25.—(AP)—"Guilty as charged," the jury reported, and Jesse Leroy Jones stood convicted of assault and battery upon his 7-month-old son. The verdict was returned last night. Jones will be sentenced Friday.

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Davis, the committee adjourned. The senator informed Caraway that Mr. Dahlberg was in the room but the chairman replied the committee would decide later on its procedure.

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observance, he said, had a bearing on the subject of state police.

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campaign is an emergency measure and the later season plans will be broadened.