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Famous Gerontology (Old Age) Institute in Kiev, Ukraine, specializes in research on older people who are healthy. Here the Director of Institute, Dr. Dmitro Chebotarev (center) is supervising tests on Kostyantin Berdyshev, a retired electrician, who is now 66 but can out-perform a lot of people younger than he. Other new pictures of pensioners you'll find on P-12.

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#### THIS IS NOT ANY HIGH PRESSURE . . . .

In this issue you get our usual 6 pages of book and publication announcements. But this time all our "advertisements" are together at the end of the magazine. Special reason for that, friends.

"Summer Discount Sale" is more than a gimmick to catch your eye.

And it's not a "clearance" of books people don't want.
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The whole deal is simple, straightforward. The more you order, the more you save with our Summer Discounts. Start it all on Page-23.

#### **SOMEONE YOU KNOW MAY WANT PAGE-25**

Could be you?

Last Chance Offer for NN's 60th Anniversary Tours to USSR! A phone call to someone you know might send a friend over to Socialism during their Big Year.

Take one minute right now to check this . . . the notice is on Page-25.

#### MIND IF WE PUSH AN UNUSUAL PAGE?

As a rule we don't like singling out one NN Report for "plugging", because we never know what other pages will appeal to most Readers.

But this month we can't guess wrong. Soviet scientists are upsetting each other with a strange and awesome idea. Many human beings were sure of this, thousands of years ago ... the belief that we people are the only intelligent living things in the Universe.

That was before Science said No. No. there are millions of worlds like our Earth. Well . . . hold right now . . . some scientists now are wondering if we are the Highest Intelligence going. Even the only Beings anywhere.

It's all here for you, right over on the next page.

#### **HOPE YOU'LL TAKE N-N FOR VACATION TOO**

You're the judge, of course, but we have a feeling that this July-August issue is one that a lot of Readers will be showing to others.

If you go strongly for human interest, meet Alyosha on Page -13. A health system that hits hard at an idea cherished by millions (and it could make this summer a grand new introduction to energy, for you) is

given in useful details on Page-9.

Weather bothering you? Try the fact on Page-11.

Newspapers getting you furious? Take them over ... on Page-7. Our point is: you've quite quite a lot to show around in this N-N.

But please remember . . . this is our annual vacation issue, and so you

won't be getting your next N-N until September.

Be sure to have a marvellous Summer!

NN's Quote-of-the-Month: "We have a right to be and we are proud that to us has fallen the good fortune to begin the building of a Soviet state, and thereby to usher in a new era in world history, the era of the rule of a new class, a class which is oppressed in every capitalist country, but which everywhere is marching forward towards a new life, towards victory over capitalism, towards the emancipation of mankind from the yoke of capital and from imperialist wars." (Lenin, in 1921).

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### Soviet scientists advance astonishing idea

# Are we Humans the real Supreme Beings?

Five years ago NN reported on famed Oparin's view that intelligent life like ours might well exist nowhere else in Universe. Now Shklovsky offers new evidence. NN reviews the most challenging thought ever put before Man.

Astro-physicist Dr. losif Shklovsky has upset many scientists by arguing that the highest form of life — the Supreme Intelligence supposed to exist somewhere in Space — may be right here, on Earth, we humans.

For many years, the view prevailed that thousands of planets (even millions) like Earth exist in the Cosmos; so, on many of them, life must have arisen ... probably long before Earth-life, thus reaching much higher levels.

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Indeed, many now believe that "flying saucers" are space ships bringing Super Beings here for a look at us.

o Dr. Shklovsky (like Dr. Öparin in '72) goes away back to the formation of elementary living (organic) things.

o New scientific evidence seems to show that the "jump" from non-life to living is infinitely more complicated than previously thought, and cannot be some kind of "automatic" leap taken by molecules at favorable times.

• Remember: idea was that fore-runners of life were non-living particles, **proto-bionts**; when climate and other factors favored it, somehow proto-bionts achieved the "miraculous" change-over into **living cells.** 

 Such cells might be absolutely different kinds of living units, than cells on Earth; indeed, nowhere else may life be

the same as we know it here.

 Now, Shklovsky carries this further: he says the chances of proto-bionts "coming alive", in any form, involve so many correct, successive changes, that it's like one person winning a million-dollar lottery every year for a century... beyond scientific probability, impossible.

Or, since we **must** explain how come life appeared and thrived here on Earth, Dr. Shklovsky is saying that no matter how vast the Universe is, only once (in billions of years) would a single proto-biont "win every draw" until finally it became the Winner of All Time ... us people!

But wait now, and take a look at recent science finds.

Since Man got started out in Space, we've found that there is no intelligent life anywhere within our own solar system, other than us. No "little green men" at all.
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 As for "super brains" discovering our Earth, Dr. Lev Artsimovich points out that if they ever came near us they would contact us immediately, and not play any silly hide-

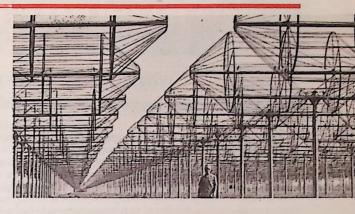
and-seek game as some writers suggest.

• Dr. Dmitri Martynov has investigated the possibility of space-men from afar; he finds that the energy they would require to reach Earth would be fantastic; even if they used super-nuclear (so-called "black hole") fuel, any ship they used would be thousands of times bigger than our planet... just to hold the needed fuel!

In other words: science fiction writers need to do a lot more homework, before they can picture, in a realistic way, any Super Humans from Out There taking trips in our

direction.

Daily papers reported that Sir Martin Ryle (British astronomer) is afraid we shouldn't contact Higher Beings in the Cosmos . . . they might come and attack us.



Dr. Ryle can relax. So far, the only determined effort to signal Other Beings was a special radio wave sent out, from Puerto Rico, in 1975. But this wave won't arrive at its "target" (300,000 solar systems in our Milky Way) until 24,000 years from now! By that time our civilization should itself be pretty far advanced. Especially if you allow another 24,000 years for some kind of a "reply" to arrive here!

Of course, USA, USSR and other astronomers have been *listening* for signals that could be intelligent. So far, all promising "beeps" have proved to come from natural, non-living sources. Even the giant new radio-scope you see in our photo has picked up, for Soviet listeners, nothing but pulses from "zero intelligence".

Far more significant: if beings exist at our level of development, in thousands of solar systems (as scientists once believed), then our radio-telescopes would be picking up a wealth of signals from all directions ... because our equipment is pouring such signals out into Space at all times, for any listeners to tune in.

Now consider new evidence advanced by Sir Fred Hoyle, famed British researcher (and sci-fic writer too). He believes now that forms of living things may exist far out in space, although actually they are "pre-biotic", or similar to Oparin's proto-bionts.

Well! If all space contains countless swarms of such pre-biotic things, then Shklovsky's view is stronger than ever: those things have not developed life anywhere in our huge solar system ... except here on Earth. So it seems that nobody else has won that "impossible lottery."

Remember, also, that human life — highly intelligent — is an infinitely great advance over simple life — such as cells of bacteria — yet even the most primitive forms of living things haven't been found anywhere else.

Dr. Shklovsky raises points that go far beyond the bounds of astro-physics and biology, into philosophy.

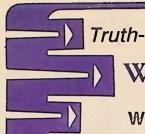
He believes that the scientific theory of Man's unique existence raises great moral and ethical questions.

First, human achievements must be considered in all their marvellous greatness, and not regarded as "crude" compared to the works of some mythical Super Beings.

We humans can really hold our heads high, because we represent the highest level the entire Universe has so far achieved!

And then, it's obvious that we must be ever more critical of our remaining un-human fallings: especially war; the diversion of Science into arms; the preposterous evil of Capitalism's private-profit motive; the terrible treatment of hundreds of millions suffering from racism, poverty.

"What immeasurable responsibility rests on Man today, to preserve civilization, to ensure the unlimited development of Mankind . . . that unique and supreme feature of all stellar systems, all galaxies, the entire Cosmos!"



#### Truth-of-the-Month

## World gets a new Optimistic Constitution

Why our papers are silent about Soviet people's new Law

Why, at this time, have the peoples of the USSR decided to adopt a brand new Constitution for their nation?

The land of Socialism has had three constitutions up to now. But the present one was worked out 40 years ago. Profound changes have taken place since the 'Thirties.'

Way back then, you may recall, the USSR was beginning to set up Socialism, for the first time anywhere in our world. Today, the new system is in total control over there. What's more, Socialism has scored tremendous advances in production, science, culture, to become close rival of USA... in some fields the top power in industry, resources and

These historic changes are not at all to the liking of those who boss our media. But what really rubs them the wrong way is the new Constitution's declaration ...

The supreme purpose of social production in Socialism shall be the fullest possible satisfaction of the people's growing material and spiritual requirements."

That hurts, here in Capitalism in 1977, where we face a declining economy and moral decay that arouses growing resentment of millions of people.

#### Workers' Dictatorship into Socialist Democracy

Lenin insisted that to overcome Capitalism human society must set up, first, a Dictatorship of the Proletariat (the working-class). In the Soviet Union, this firm rule of the system has come to its end. Having completely eliminated Capitalism, the Soviet nation has become a system in which the working-class, together with all other sections of the population, now own and govern Socialism.

The practical changes in Soviet life, behind this, you can easily see. First: Socialism has produced all its own intellectuals; the workers are rising higher every year in educational level; the farmers are swiftly becoming "workers on the land", in skills and living-standards.

Then, some 110 Soviet nationalities now have identical purposes and ideals, they make up a new historic community ... the Soviet People.

Never even mentioned in our media is the astonishing today 2,200,000 elected men and women govern the USSR, and they are supported by 30 million more people who regularly serve as volunteer helpers running the system.

This is our Earth's new kind of people's Democracy, now written into the USSR's new Constitution.

#### Aim: more of the best that they've won

Their new Constitution isn't simply putting on record what they've done. It's main line of thought is the drive to advance Socialist Democracy ever farther ahead.

Again, you come up sharply against something that is very unpleasant to our media owners. Here, in Capitalism, every variety of critic complains that our democratic principles are being weakened — voters are losing interest, corruption exists from top to bottom, and the power of money to control our governments is increasing.

Now look over there to Socialism. All through their new Constitution are the ways they are going to widen democracy, give more powers to all elected bodies, bring millions more adults and youth into the day-to-day work of running every aspect of their entire system.

For hundreds of millions in Capitalism, now unemployed, the Soviet Constitution's Right to Work could well be the outstanding law of Socialism.

For more hundreds of millions in our system the Right to Housing (never before proclaimed by any society!) may be Socialism's greatest achievement.

Untold numbers of people throughout the world might take the Right to Health or the Right to Education, or the Right to Culture as "the most" in Socialism's Law.

But what burns up our editors is the cool fact that the Soviet Constitution points to Socialism's continuous rising prosperity, the solid economic guarantee that the sweeping advances of Soviet people are not dreams on paper, but realities to be won faster than ever.

#### Ah, but WHO wrote the Law, and FOR WHOM?

From school-days on, we are hammered with the idea that Socialism harms or restricts the human individual.

Of course, from Marx to this day, intelligent people have understood that the new system harms and restricts only those individuals who exploit others — capitalists, people who enrich themselves from the labor of others.

It is inspiring for everyone who loves Man's Future to see that Soviet people now declare their aim . . . a higher society in which everyone can go forward to a better life only as each individual human enjoys such progress.

But ... human Rights, right now?

The new Soviet Constitution puts into law the wonderful truth of life in the USSR today: everybody is equal as a citizen ... nobody is greater or lesser because of race, color, nationality, language, religion, wealth, property.

It's unavoidable that people still are unequal in terms of education, skill, pay for work. But Soviet people have declared their determination to eliminate even those remaining inequalities, with concrete measures.

#### Law to save the world from war

For all their pomposity and legal complexity, statesmen growth of Socialist Democracy, illustrated by the fact that of Capitalism have never dared to write a constitution for the sake of peace on Earth!

The new Soviet Law puts the fundamental principle of Socialism's foreign policy right there: Peace.

And for Soviet people peace is not just a pious hope. It is coming true before our eyes ... the powerful and growing world system of Socialism constantly blocks the schemes of those profiting from war.

Never forget: Socialism was born in the Soviet Union in the world struggle of all peoples to end World War One. The first Law of the system was its Decree on Peace. To this day, Socialism goes all-out for Peace because the new system needs Peace ... nowhere and never can the people gain by slaughtering each other.

So peace to the world is their law of life.

One last reason why you don't see this in the papers.

The Soviet Constitution hasn't yet been passed.

And it won't be passed until the entire USSR has studied the Draft and discussed it so that every line is clear to all. They guarantee this ... with their Democracy, making sure that the whole nation approves every word.



# Rockets go underground

Seven years ago you saw in NN reports of a weird new rocket that fired "upside down". Instead of taking off for Space, the blast burrowed down into the ground.

This device was the brain-child of Mikhail Tsiferov. His idea was to use the tremendous force of a rocket-blast to "push earth and rocks aside", at same time forcing the device ever deeper into the ground.

NN's report was greeted with scepticism and outright ridicule by experts here.

Now they're silent. Many Western engineers have seen the giant "underground rocket" pictured at the left. It's perfected now, and for sale to foreign countries.

Let's not be too hard on those sceptics. You have to see this fantastic thing before you can believe it. Its "motor" today blasts into the ground with one hundred thousand horsepower! That's a hundred times greater force than the biggest drills.

The mighty blast pours out of the sharp front end (shown in photo). At enormous pressure and very high temperature the "jet" breaks up the hardest rock, forces it aside, and at the same time rams the blast ever deeper down.

The outfit you see here digs a hole three feet across, at a speed of three feet down every second!

Even Soviet developers of Tsiferov's idea thought such a speed was *unbelievable*, a few years ago. Today, they are using it to do what the inventor forecast: *travel downwards into the Earth*.

Ordinary drills offered no such hope. They could make only small holes. To get down through Earth's crust, to the "mantle", was almost impossible, using drills. And the cost, per mile, was in *millions*.

The **Underground Rocket** opens up entirely new possibilities for *taking men down into Earth*. To **explore**. To **mine** the fabulously rich ores known to exist far down.

Incidentally, Tsiferov's rocket has been tested in the same historic location, in USSR, where the world's first Space Rockets were created by Korolyev.

In mid-May the perfected device was shown for the first time to foreign experts, by the Soviet State Committee on Inventions, and also by officials of Licenzintorg, which sells rights to foreign countries.

For several years top-flight USA experts have cautioned that USSR was testing radical new ways of exploring Earth's interior. Now they know for sure ... they've seen it.

Is this the beginning of the *Underground* Age? Seems as though **NN's** original forecast is now coming true.

## Hammer that pounds like a rocket

Only Socialism has an *Institute of Explosion Generation Technology*. It's directed by Dr. Miron Shchegolevsky, and he has just revealed details of an outfit that works like a hammer, fires like a machine-gun, and blasts like a spacerocket.

The weird device, when used above-ground, is carried on a heavy truck, which swings the "hammer" out and away on the end of a boom, like a portable crane.

As we all know, the great energy of explosions has been used for centuries, to break rocks or blast holes. But such blasting takes a long time to prepare (sometimes weeks), and is good only for a single "shot" at a time.

The new Soviet hammer-gun-rocket fires continuously. They call it a "blast generator".

— Two safe fuels (space-age liquids) are separately fed into a nozzle, through two jets; the streams combine to form a single mixture of tremendous explosive power.

—A high-speed electric valve passes the explosive stream in small portions, out of the jet, and injects into each portion a tiny speck of special "incendiary" alloy.

— The alloy touches off an explosion instantaneously, each time a portion of the fuels comes out of the jet.

— For ordinary work, the amount of explosive fuel can be as little as one-third ounce "per shot", or can be increased up as high as 5 ounces per shot.

— The electric valve works very fast, to pass anything from one shot every second up to 25 per second.

Because the fuels have tremendous blasting power, the hammer-gun "fires" with equally tremendous force.

Actually, there is no "hammer". The **violent rocket blasts** produce extremely hot gases that travel at great speed. So the gases act like solid blows of tremendous force ... coming in very rapid succession.

You can judge the power of this hammer-gun by the fact that operators must work behind shields, wearing caps to protect their ears from the mighty roar.

However, compared to ordinary explosives this outfit is very safe. Just a flick of a switch starts the giant hammering ... another flick stops it instantly.

Best of all: the gun isn't tricky like ordinary explosives, and is elther on or off as the operator wishes. Like a machine-gun, it can be "fired" just as long and as often as needed to do the blasting job.

All these advantages, plus the low cost of the explosive fuels, make the new device *very*, *very economical*.

You can easily see many uses for this rocket-hammer. It is said to smash the biggest boulders with amazing speed, convenience, safety. So it is being used now in USSR in railway and other construction work. But it may have its biggest future in mining.

Scientists, however, are said to be using the immense power and accuracy of this hammer on a very small scale, for producing special alloys and other new materials.

In the North, it is of very great value (and economy) in carrying out construction work when everything is frozen solid. It may be used for ice-breaking.

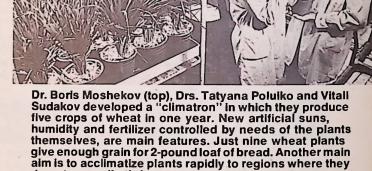
It has just been patented in USA, Canada, Britain, Japan, France, Italy, Sweden and other countries.

(Rather than report this, newspaper editors prefer to cackle about USSR's "technical backwardness" . . . freedom to deceive us.)

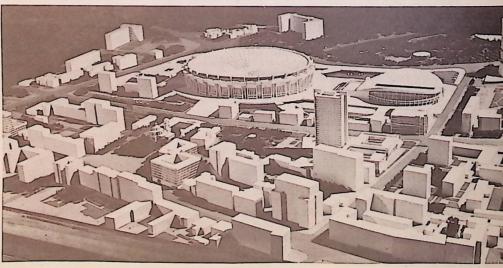




Two more years in school, but Ludmila Buryakova is sure she knows what job to take on graduation: here in the Svetlana Electric Instruments plant, Leningrad. Factory has its own "profession orientation" center, where hundreds of boys and girls discover what modern jobs are like ... and whether they like them. Out of 100, 25 take work here, considered to be a high percentage today.







do not normally thrive.

Visitors say that the construction job for 1980 Olympics in Moscow is bigger even than building we did in Montreal in '76. That's true, even though Soviet capital has many more big sports facilities than Montreal. Main project: 45,000 seat covered stadium (Europe's biggest) seen in model at right. Only main Olympics area is shown here, including some of the hotels... new ones for 25,000 guests are going up. In several other Moscow regions big structures are rising: at riding base in Chertanova, cycle track in Krylatskoye, boating facilities at Khimki, etc. The main "Olympic Village" occupies some 250 acres. Construction work also involves Aeroflot ports, which must handle huge crowds in short time. New feature: every Olympics facility will be fully converted to people's use when Games are over.

## Just suppose you owned the newspapers

Hundreds of times a year our newspaper editors tell us that Soviet people have no press freedom.

Funny thing, they never tell you why Soviet readers **buy up every issue** of all their papers, sometimes the same hour they hit the stands.

NN thought you might like to see what goes on over there.

No sense arguing.

Let's just take a look at a part of Soviet life that our editors always skip.

Take a paper like Evening Leningrad. They'll run a photo of someone, and a brief article, telling you of this person's interesting (maybe valuable) work. Then the editor invites you to write in, asking that man or woman any question.

Recently they had Mrs. Yekaterina Demidova in this "department", and many people "questioned" her. Why? She's a weaver. And so good that she's always travelling around to other textile plants, explaining her methods. But she's also a wife and mother. Lots of Leningraders wanted to know how she solves the career-mother problem.

When you follow this high-human-interest series in their paper you realize that the popularity of people was appreciated in USSR long before the USA's current "people"

fad in magazines.

Here's freedom they **don't** have: they can't run anyone's picture, and invite questions, *unless that person agrees*.

However, so many fascinating people agree to be "questioned by the public" that *Evening Leningrad* sells out about a quarter million copies every day, within 30 minutes!

Soviet papers use many other ideas for **people stories**. But editors have to be careful. For example, two sisters once were written up, and *blasted* for leaving their elderly mother without attention. They were so mad they **sued for damages** in court.

Laws in Socialism differ from ours, however. In court the editor proved, with facts, that the two women treated their mother in a way not in accord with Socialist morality. So the case was thrown out. Publicity was the punishment the women suffered.

In some cases, where people could be *hurt*, names are not printed. As when three children had real trouble: they went to school under **different** (last) **names**. Parents had all been divorced.

Turned out that many families had the same problem, so a lot of readers responded. The kids wanted the same name, so one father had to see his name disappear. Now is that justice? What an argument resulted! (In the end one father, for the children's sake, "withdrew" his name).

You can figure the "public arguing" that goes on when you realize that Soviet people buy 168,000,000 newspapers

every day. And not for "the ads" either.

By the way, surveys show that a Soviet newspaper is read, on average, by at least three people. So their biggest paper (10,600,000 copies a day) has a remarkable reading public of some 30 million people.

Not only do they read Pravda but they write in to the paper 460,000 times a year. It's a fact. A big staff is needed

just to read 2000 letters every working day.

Now, how do you explain such reader response?

Well, You're talking about newspapers in Socialism, remember. The people (readers) own the entire country—everything, industry, farming, transport, schools, arts, science, banks, business, stores ... and the newspapers, don't forget.

Nothing important goes on without the public voicing its opinions; often very heatedly, too. In the papers.

And nothing goes wrong, either, without people sounding off, publicly, with letters-to-the-papers. Every one is answered, tens of thousands are printed.

But that's only a start. Soviet newspaper readers have the right to get results.

A Moscow women moved, found no kindergarten for her tiny children, wrote Pravda, but mad. Well, a lot more mad mothers joined her (when her letter appeared). Result: Moscow City Soviet (Council) had to put 160 more daycare centers on its program for 1977-78.

Besides letters, major Soviet newspaper articles are based on readers' opinions. Last year, 27 top officials were severely reprimanded (seven *fired*, two of them were even deputy cabinet ministers) as a result of exposures of their work in the papers.

One reason why millions grab every paper every day is the way Soviet editors are required to **follow up all beefs**. Main thing is to get wrongs righted. People, naturally, go for that strongly.

Trud, their trade union daily, sells four million copies. About 200,000 letters come in each year. Last year 35 workers signed a letter saying they were browned off at a manager who yelled at them. Not in the official grievance list. But after Trud publicised this beef the offender was told to correct his behaviour, or else. For officials who violate the rights and dignity of Soviet workers, that "or else" can mean dismissal and even court charges.

You ever remember when a newspaper editor over here opened up on *employers*? You know of any paper where that happens *every day* in the year?

#### People's Ownership is the Name of the System

Letters to the papers in USSR cover a very much wider range of topics, than in Canada, simply because the people own the entire social-economic system.It's in the public interest to keep the system progressing, and make it work better, for the people. And the system includes all the papers. The editors work for the public, so they do "what comes naturally" and publish for their readers.

One press freedom they have — which we can hardly understand — is freedom to **demand answers and action**, from responsible people criticised by newspaper readers. Such people, believe it or not, *must answer the paper in writing*, promptly, giving explanations, excuses, or (usually) promises.

And then it's not over. "Taking It Up Again" is a Soviet newspaper column read by tens of millions. Editors tell what was done. If promises weren't kept. the offenders are in for big trouble.

If something in this is bothering you, let's fact it. Suppose you write to a Soviet paper just to get even with someone, or to take a crack at a character you can't stand.

Well, You'd better have your facts straight!

Neither editors nor the Soviet public will stand for their papers being used for personal grudges. They won't allow any insults in print. Or any dirty racial, national or religious cracks.

Everybody knows this. There you see one of the reasons why people over there go for their papers — editors are on the level with readers because they work for them.





## Treat yourself to 10 reasons

## hy the World is going our

For ages, the major changes in our world were brought about by armed conflict between rulers, nations. The fate of all Mankind depended on such struggles.

But the coming of the Socialism and the Science Revolutions has radically altered world events. Not immediately, but gradually over the past 60 years, the main center of struggle has shifted into the realm of class conflict.

And lately the World Socialist System, with immense industrial, scientific and military power, has become the decisive factor in determining our world's future.

One immediate effect of this: no longer does the "balance of forces" in the world mean military force alone. Today, as Socialism's material might and prestige increases, all nations (great, middle and small) must take into account their political, economic, moral, ideological strengths.

As a result of this, all nations in our world now exert a serious and rising influence on world affairs.

Since Socialism is revealing its superiority to Capitalism. more nations are attracted to it, or at least support the beneficial world policies of Socialism.

But the world-wide influence of Socialism goes far beyond any national boundaries - the power of the working-class in all countries is a new international force. By its very nature (especially its demands) the workingclass is a force opposing Capitalism, inevitably weakening

Even where the trade union movement is not openly going for Socialism, it cannot strengthen Capitalism. And in most advanced capitalist nations many (if not all) unions are now consciously supporting Socialism.

Our leaders here in the West try to ignore this, but the main political fact of modern life is that the Communist Parties of the world are far and away the strongest force. internationally. No party in any capitalist nation comes anywhere near the political leadership of the world working class. And no capitalist parties have any semblance of international influence.

Quite aside from the remarkable discipline and unity of the Communist Parties, their total support (goal) of Socialism gives them immense world influence.

Quite a different force has lately emerged: the rise of "national liberation movements" which have, by now, involved the great majority of Mankind.

By their very nature these movements are opposed to the capitalist nations from which they demand (or have won) liberation. And even after liberation, they continually come into conflict with Capitalism's drive-for-profit, which hampers their independent development.

Already, many liberated lands are adopting socialist programs of one kind or another, and some of the strongest are openly proclaiming unity with USSR and its allies.

Very broad non-socialist forces are growing in the West today, all in one way or another critical of Capitalism.

One is "social democracy" (phony Socialist parties such as the NDP in Canada). Regardless of leadership's devotion to Capitalism, membership is oriented on Socialism.

The churches (not only Christian but Moslem also) are increasingly involved in politics; wherever they have mass membership they are inevitably drawn into mass struggles, and must decide "which side they are on".

The world Peace Movement exerts increasing influence, especially in times of crisis; by its very nature, this force cannot oppose Socialism, and often comes into conflict with one or another capitalist power.

World public opinion, in our times, has developed into a political-moral force that cannot be disregarded.

Humanity speaks its mind far more often and with greater effect than ever in any past period.

On all broad and significant world issues, public opinion must be in one degree or another on the side of Socialism, simply because the new system is in the interests of the vast public. Neither public opinion nor Socialism can ever support the interests of any small class.

All this has bankrupted the "power" theories. Especially since the world's "greatest power", USA, was utterly defeated in Vietnam ... a war in which most of the forces noted here were victorious over Capitalism.

And so, the most effective "power" today obviously is neither armed might nor economic resources — those factors remain very important; but since Socialism now has them on its side, very different forms of "power" can be decisive in determining the way the world goes.

This truth you find is universally recognized: even in USA, no responsible group any longer "plans policy" in terms of vesterday's bombs-and-dollars clouting-power.

Indeed, you see some remarkable, fantastic, incredible schemes being put forward, to help Capitalism hold on to its few remaining positions. When Socialism, and the Third World, demanded in the United Nations that new world economic relations must be worked out, USA had to hurriedly plan "new relations" of its own ... based neither on the power of billions or bombs. Competing with Socialism.

No intelligent person will dismiss the influence of the world's major powers. The continuous "confrontation" of USA and USSR is only too obvious.

But the less appreciated fact is this: the struggle between USA and USSR is not between armaments and money, but between the world's two systems, Capitalism and Socialism.

And today, even a politically aloof map-maker needs only look at our world, to see how radically it has changed, how fast it is moving the way of Socialism.

# You're feeling TIRED?

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So many people complain of always feeling tired that you can't blame doctors for giving them pills to help them rest. Could be the worst thing you can do, because tiredness can bring you energy!



Somehow the idea has become prevalent that if you get tired, that's bad for you. A Soviet sports-medicine specialist, Dr. N. Tambian, has given NN some quite different views, and his advice may well be most useful to those who are often tired.

But first: Soviet doctors do caution that nobody should get weary to the point of exhaustion. That is unquestionably bad for you. But what we're talking of here is the ordinary, everyday kind of weariness.

In sports, people are encouraged to make themselves tired. Why? Because (unless you are ill) the tired body will not only restore its energy, during rest, but will steadily gain more energy reserves after each "tiredness"

In brief: when you exert yourself to the point of feeling

tired, you won't get so tired next day.

Of course, we're not all athletes. Your ability to feel energetic and peppy depends a lot on your general health, your age, how well (or poorly) you eat, your work and mental-emotional state. But most of us kid ourselves. At the first sign of weariness, we rest ... when the best thing we could do is to get still more weary before we concentrate on 'relaxing"

This is well worth your serious consideration.

The big majority of people tire easily because their bodies (and minds) are hopelessly out of condition. So long as they rest as soon as they get tired, then they'll get tired faster than ever ... and more tired, too.

Only by getting tired deliberately can you develop the ability to do more work, and have more fun, without getting tired at all.

The "secret" here is very simple. Don't stop when you feel you are getting tired. Do it some more.

Use your common sense here: "do some more" gradually, each day, and don't push yourself to exhaustion. If you get to feel really tired, next time you'll be able to do definitely more without dragging with weariness.

Don't stop as soon as the effort becomes difficult.

Exert yourself a little harder, a little longer, and the added weariness will pay off as increased energy.

This is one of the simplest, easier "health systems" available to us all.

What most weary people suffer from is chronic fatigue. Because ... they are forever resting themselves!

They can end all that by, first, welcoming tiredness. Then, exerting themselves till they're a little more tired. Next day, still more exertion will be easy, pleasant.

#### Using weariness along with sensible planning for healthful living

Dr. Tambian has three very useful "formulas" for those who are "tired of getting tired".

 Each day do a different thing to bring on weariness (such as a different game or exercise or job of work). Try to have a whole set of tiring activities, and switch them daily.

 Make a resolution to follow a fixed, regular schedule in your activities, meals and sleep - same time every

 Don't try to get tired fast, but try to prolong your activity so you do it "efficiently", and your body can keep it up longer before tiring.

The Soviet specialist (who has had very wide experience) claims that by tackling weariness this way you can win very big health dividends.

get tired — and only then giving yourself needed rest - will not only end that always-weary feeling, but also will boost general health.

Simple example: you walk 10 blocks, feel tired, sit down; next day you walk 10 blocks, feel tired and walk 10 blocks more; third day you won't feel nearly so tired.

More tired ... means less tired.

If you work all day, you can find some way to use a Soviet method now helping many millions.

Exercises before you start work; and exercises for a few minutes in morning and afternoon "breaks".

Almost any exercises that involve your whole body, vigorous enough to speed up your breathing.

Of course, if you do some kinds of monotonous work (standing or sitting for hours) you should figure out a sim- for after work.

ple set of exercises that stir parts of the body you don't use.

Often, if you just take a walk in your exercise break, that will "weary" you in a different way, and thus lessen general weariness.

The Soviet specialist recommends strongly that you spend as much of your lunch hour as possible, doing pleasureable physical activities. A little weariness at noon can build up energy

#### When you get to like getting tired ... you've got it!

It's hardest of all to change our habitual attitude to tiredness, in the noon-hour and at quitting time. Naturally, at those times nobody should go on doing what's made them tired. When you are work-weary you must get your body doing something very different.

And if you can do that thing until you are a bit tired, you'll soon be surprised to Regular, daily, determined effort to discover that your general tiredness is lessening.

All because your body (and mind) respond wonderfully to weariness.

In the view of Soviet specialists, what you do on the weekends is the most important of all.

If you spend them resting, all you'll get is more weariness.

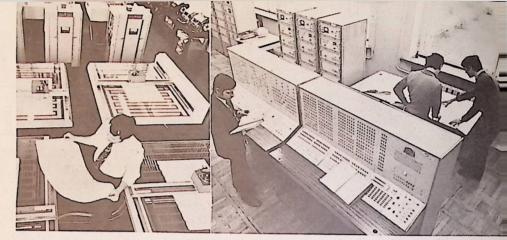
But if you exert yourself at some kind of sport — just about anything you can name, provided you like it - you're going to build your energy.

The secret is so simple that millions of us never see it.

Every time you make yourself get a little more tired than you were the day before, then your body, naturally, is going to get moving to overcome that weariness, and you're on the way to living energetically.



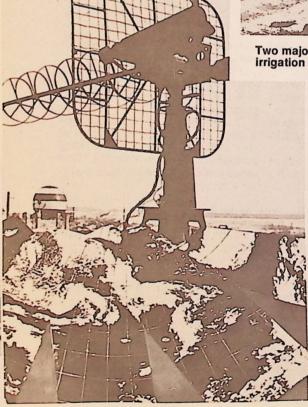
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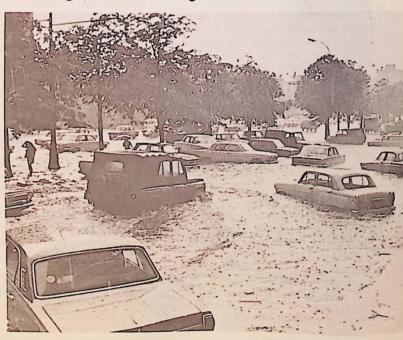
In this Byelorussian Republic weather bureau they use new automated system for collecting data, preparing forecasts, transmitting to all districts.



Two major ways Soviet scientists are fighting weather problems: left shows newest irrigation in Caucasus; right, advanced drainage in Lithuania.



"Uran" gets weather data from USSR-USA satellites.



While Europe had drought, Moscow had tropical rain-storms.

# ... more mysterious than ever

Last summer they had snow in Brazil, which no living person could remember. In Africa, near the Equator, the temperature fell almost to freezing.

But up in chilly Denmark and Sweden they sweltered in a

record heat wave.

England, normally rain-soaked, was in a state of crisis due to prolonged drought. But this spring, the English were

almost drowning in continuous rain-storms.

Economic consequences of this are very bad. Not only did crops and livestock suffer, but there was immense damage due to severe extremes of drought-and-rain, which caused countless buildings to crack on their heaving foundations.

Now, over large areas of North America, our farmers fear

a drought disaster like that of the 'thirties.

Just a couple of years back, our press *happily* reported bad weather in the USSR, blaming Socialism's farm problems on the system. Today, our editors sing a *different tune*. They're running *scared*.

So they're giving you all kinds of phony scientific theories about "weather doom" a-coming. Mostly these stories blame human activity — civilization — for wrecking our weather. All the "experts" tell you they know everything.

NN consulted a number of top weather (meteorology) authorities of USSR, and their facts are summarised here.

 Recent wide fluctuations in weather indicate not any fearful change, but a period of weather instability.

 World weather has cooled a little since 1940, after a slight warming trend from 1180-1940.

• Earth's gigantic atmosphere circulation patterns seem to be returning to those of a century ago, when people complained of weather extremes like we're getting.

World Meterological Organization scientists say the

slight cooling causes our unstable weather.

o Dr. Yuri Izrael, vice-president of the WMO and noted Soviet researcher, agrees; but he points to evidence that the cooling process may have already ended, changing to a slow warming-up again.

As for human activity — like burning fuel, shifting water areas, cutting forests, polluting atmosphere — these need to be watched carefully, but some things counter-balance

others, in effect on weather.

So Science today still faces ... mysterious weather. But Dr. Izrael points out that WMO scientists all agree they have no evidence of weather catastrophies on the way.

Right there you hit a sore point in meteorology.

Evidence. Facts. Dr. Y. Tolstikov (on USSR's top board of weather scientists) stresses that the only solid fact today is that Science requires millions more facts before the world's weather can be properly understood.

Why? Because our weather is a world-wide system, and is "made" by all the land, water and air on Earth ... and right now, scientists, just don't know what's going on.

A start was made, less than five years ago, when 70 countries cooperated to watch tropical typhoons.

Now, in spite of massive efforts, world weather scientists will soon launch only a partial weather program ...

— Space observatories will be used in the new global research campaign, but on a limited scale.

—The nations couldn't provide a minimum of 50 research ships needed for ocean surveys.

— Communications networks can't be set up on the global scale required for effective studies.

You know why? The scientists aren't saying why. Not out

loud. But they know what the problem is.

Armaments. The resistance of powerful elements in NATO (mainly USA) to really world-wide cooperative research.



Hundreds of billions of our taxes are squandered on *military preparations*, leaving pitifully small budgets for research on our world's weather.

However, a start is being made. In our photo above you see one of the **regular meetings** between top USSR and USA meteorologists.

Recently they mapped out a limited global program to run from December 1978 to November 1979.

• Computers will be set up to process millions of weather facts every second.

• Five space stations will soar 21,000 miles up, hold there in orbit, and make *millions of observations* ... facts never before available to Man.

• Just in southern waters, more than 300 weather-buoys will report (automatic radio) on ocean measurements.

 Dozens of countries will put special weather devices on board hundreds of ships and cargo aircraft.

This is, by far, the greatest weather study ever made. But when you talk to scientists you realize that they are impatient to go ahead much faster. Because ...

— Only recently have they found how to study clouds (radar on Earth, cameras in Space); all previous knowledge

of clouds-and-weather has been primitive.

— Only very recently has Science discovered how to measure the heat our planet takes in and gives out, an "exchange" that's all-important to weather information.

#### AND NOW ... AMAZING NEW MYSTERIES

Back in 1951 Dr. Leonid Brekhovskikh won a top Soviet science prize for an astonishing discovery. Deep in the oceans he found mystery "channels", which can carry sounds clearly for thousands of miles.

He won world scientific acclaim for his mathematical explanations for this unusual *structure of oceans*.

Lately, this scientist and others, working on Soviet research ships, have discovered tremendous cyclones deep down in the oceans. These hitherto unknown "tornadoes" are sometimes miles down, whirling miles high!

As you may guess, such stupendous "water winds" have

equally stupendous energy, power.

Already, studies show that these hidden oceanic storms dominate all life in the seas. Obviously they have great effect on Earth's atmosphere ... in this way the oceans determine the world's weather, in ways never guessed before, and still completely unknown.

Still another mystery of "the deep" are newly discovered inner waves. Unlike even the biggest storm-waves we see on the ocean's surface, these inner waves can be hundreds of feet long and high. Some scientists believe they explain countless disasters at sea, when vessels have vanished without trace, or known cause.

Again, the colossal action going on inside our oceans must be understood, before Science can explain, predict, and someday control our Weather.

# Getting on...

They're short of *people*, not jobs, in Socialism, so everybody is interested in those who are getting on ... say to age 100. NN asked a photographer to take a look around the system for us.



In case you don't know, this is Ergotherapy. Treating the ills of old age by useful work. These ladies get paid, too. Work comes in from a factory. Doctors are strong for people working as they get along in years. No drug ever made works as well as ... work.



Soviet scientists find that all very old people are amazingly healthy. Like Sabir Kurbomamadov, a Tajik, oldest man in his village of Andarob. After all, who would be older . . . he's turned 122!



Sergei Albitsky is 94. He's seen so much since he was born (1882!) that he's studying journalism now in Moscow U'. Examiners thought it was a gag, but Sergei passed every admittance test. He's serious about writing. Plans to study press-photography also.



Sofia Stroganova, talking to the doctor, Is 94, so they are happy to have her volunteer for study at the famous Kiev Gerontology Institute. There they specialize in doing research on healthy people who have made it past 90.





Remarkable fact about Soviet very-old-folk: you meet them in hot, temperate and frigid climates. Left: Minas Avetisyan is 101, a southern mountain man. Right: Vasily Golikov, a Yakut (Arctic) is 108 and enjoys reading the newspaper without glasses. Both men can pass physical fitness tests.

## ...he has the secret of making a genius?

Two years have passed since NN gave you the story of little Alyosha Panov. His achievements now are more spectacular. See why his talent fascinates research scientists.

Dr. Evald Ilyenov recently reported to the Soviet public on

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Years before, Dr. Ilyenov could scarcely believe his own senses when he first observed this child. Because of his very poor eyesight, Alyosha "reads" music only by ear. His memory is incredible. When four, he could memorize most compositions at first playing; the most difficult passages only he had to hear twice.

His mind works equally well with any music: symphonic or jazz, piano or choral. Professionals are astonished by the ease with which Alyosha can "convert" a symphony or

opera into his own piano version.

'Once when he and his father were my guests," Dr. Ilyenov recalls, "I played a recording of Wagner's Valkyrie. Alyosha listened attentively. Six months later, just for the fun of it, I asked the boy to play what he had heard at my house. Imagine . . . the little boy played it . . . even the difficult Wotan's Farewell and Invocation of the Flame.

"Naturally, his tiny hands could not reproduce all the details of that extremely difficult composition, something only a large orchestra can do. But he reproduced the main melodic lines with absolute precision, stressing the most important parts ... and in places where his fingers could stretch enough, even some of the details!

"My impression is that the boy does all this with no real

effort at all.

'In fact, while playing he will adjust the glasses on his nose, and turn around to see if people are listening.

"It's amusing to watch Alyosha running from one end of the piano to the other ... his arms are so short he can't reach the ends of the keyboard sitting on the stool.

"Sometimes he helps himself along with an elbow, sometimes by slapping the keys with his palm. He just invents his

own techniques as he goes along!"

Clearly, the Panov boy is not an "ordinary" child prodigy. Dr. Ilyenov considers him to be unique. His abilities can't be explained by accepted ideas about the nature of musical talent.

The scientist points out that all young children know their language better than intelligent adults who are learning to speak a foreign tongue. In this, he believes, lies the secret of Alyosha's genius.



A study of the child's early life shows that, from the very cradle, he used music to associate with people.

His father (practically blind), works as an electrician, not a musician. But he "lives" for music. He would play classical music (himself, or on the player) to Alyosha in infancy. The great composers "spoke" to the child in their pure, clear language.

When only one year old, standing in his play-pen, Alyosha started using the piano keys with his pudgy fingers.

Soon he discovered that he could make the piano sing the songs his Grandmother sang to him. By the time he was three he was "playing" with the piano constantly, as other children play with toys.

Alyosha would run his fingers over the keyboard without any effort, just as we never think of how to place our vocal chords, tongue and teeth when we pronounce words. He never has to look at his fingers, they run along the keys

exactly as he wants them to.

Dr. Ilyenov tells of an evening when a 12-year old boy came with his parents who wanted to hear Alyosha play. This boy could carve pistols out of wood. "Alyosha was so fascinated by this that he refused all requests to play Bach or Schumann...the evening was ruined. But I wasn't sorry. On the contrary, I was very happy to find that Alyosha was a normal boy, more interested in working with wood than performing for adults."

The scientist believes that Alyosha's father carried out a remarkable "experiment" with the boy, without realizing this. And so the question arises: can such experimental

'education" be repeated on other children?

Is it possible to create geniuses, not only in music but in other fields of talent, by discovering how to make gifted youngsters learn advanced knowledge and skills just as we all effortlessly learn how to speak perfectly?

Meanwhile, Alyosha is living a normal life. The thought of exploiting his fantastic abilities, commercially, hasn't entered anyone's head ... his human rights are secure.

(Reprint of this page, with NN's 1975 report on Alyosha, available for 15 cents; 8 copies for \$1.00; see P-26)



New suburb of Kishinev, Moldavia. Typical of new Soviet city developments. People are only a walk away from "country" atmosphere. Finest for kids.



Unknown here, in Socialism farm housing becomes "citified", as agricultural workers live in town-type areas, part of plan to make city-farm people equal.



"Deep woods" (real forest) is only a short electric-train ride from downtown Moscow. All year round city people can get away from tensions.



Above, former city dump is given final "sterilization" treatment. Lower, housing and park have taken over wasteland. Huge "estates" like this in Moscow today.

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Everywhere in USSR housing booms. Here is Ufa (Bashkir Republic). Socialism makes sure that housing goes up along with new industrial projects, and rents remain lowest in the world.



Soviet builders pioneered in "factory-made" housing ... not little one-family homes but full size high-rises. Here they're loading exterior panel on carrier. In USSR you see endless lines of trucks transporting apartments.



Voroshilovgrad. Apartments with stores in front. Note promenade outside traffic lanes, fountains and walkways. Space is no problem in Socialism since land is not taxed. Housing costs met from profits of enterprises



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C. daily. Survival time was four times longer than this include world-famed Linus Pauling. Some treated patients. Everybody can buy Vitamin C, th center is state-owned (city) booths and no harm can result. If NN would publicize th might do great good." C.H.D.

Note: We suggest that Readers show this to

"We attended a beekeepers congress in Moscow in '71 and take every opportunity to show our slides. Just wouldn't get along without NN. Happy to get facts to 'set people straight' when they have some queer ideas about USSR. Many visit our home and some see our literature and want

p apartment factory. Most B have such plants. Their osser time when every family avæ its own modern





Contrary to stories of "same-ness' In USSR, hundreds of Soviet cities have remarkably distinct "personalities". At left, Tashkent, in Central Asia, unforgettably different to westerner. Right, Klaipeda in the Lithuanian Republic, distinctly "Balt" in planning, architecture and motifs. Even so, intermingling of 100 nations of USSR also leads to "mixing" city designs. Not for "sameness' but for real variety.



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here in this new "farmers market" in Kiev, capital of Ukraine. Though are run by farmers' co-ops. Big advance over shabby old-fashioned farm markets still seen in USSR.



Here in Georgia young architects develop new plans right on housing site. Trend now in Socialism is for variety, long a problem in mass-produced housing.



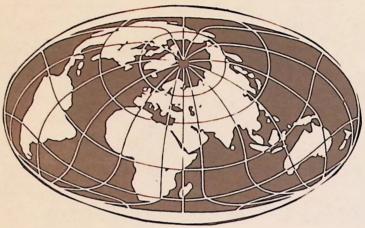
Baku, on Caspian Sea, is strong for parks. But no "extras" like that result in any rent increases. All pay same per-square-yard rent in every city and town in USSR.



Believe it or not this children's playground is in Norilsk, above Arctic Circle. Such facilities are everywhere in USSR, varying only according to the local climate.



High in Arctic, city of Mimy had to be built on "permafrost". First time anywhere, nine story buildings are going up on piles. Architects in USSR must cope with every climate extreme in designing new housing.



People wonder what the USA President really wants. He promised to stimulate the economy; but his April speech to the nation called for such sharp cuts in energy use that nobody could find any stimulation there.

Carter also promised to reduce inflation; but his plans for raising fuel prices warned everyone that prices in general will continue on up ... maybe faster.

You find that economists and financiers look at this combination —cutting use of energy while raising its cost to industry and public - as having only one possible effect: cooling off, not warming up, USA's economy.

And because USA is Number One in Capitalism, what Carter is proposing won't help other nations go booming.

Many experts are worried about the USA Automobile.

All North America lives around The Car. Cars sell by billions of dollars. They consume billions worth of steel, glass, fabrics, rubber, fuel. The highways industry and services to cars are major basic sources of prosperity.

And now the president is firmly committed to cutting down cars . . . size, numbers, mileage. Just as firmly, powerful opponents are fighting to kill Carter's program. In turn, they are opposed by new "alternate energy" groups.

These monopolists are getting ready to spend an incredible

sum: some 700 thousand million dollars, by 1985.

Hundreds of billions for new electricity plants. More hundreds of billions for "conservation" of fuels. Billions for railways, coal, gas lines, wind-and-sun power.

Imagine: 90 new nuclear-power plants and 200 new coal burning plants! Less energy, or more energy?

You need to keep a cool head to see through all these dizzying multi-billion programs. The truth isn't too hard to dig into.

 USA has been using energy so lavishly that enormous new sources are needed, every year, just to make new jobs for millions of workers coming on the "labor market"

 But the swiftly rising cost of energy (now that Arab oil isn't "for free") is going to cut consumption as surely as the public, and industry, can't afford coming charges.

 Oil prices are going to go on up, and far from reducing consumption of oil, USA is burning it faster then ever.

 The idea that comforts some people — using "free" power from the sun and the wind — is strictly dreamworld, because big-scale energy from such sources is nowhere in sight.

Try to add up these facts. The "total thought" you get is what gives our economists mid-summer chills. They can't buy the word from Washington, that Carter is doing well in his efforts to bring back a boom.

Remember: only months ago we were assured that our long recession (worst since the 'thirties) was over, and by vacation time, this year, we'd be prosperous once more.

Planning was going to do it for us. No doubt at all, many fine brains came up with plans. Result is that we're still in a classic capitalist slump: no expansion is in sight because already we can produce far more goods than people have money to buy.

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But reality today is harsh. All USA's "partners" face serious political troubles and cannot risk any further worsening of the slump ... self-preservation comes first. As Business Week put it (May 23) latest proposals "seem to widen rather than narrow the disturbing econmic gap that has appeared between strong and weak industrial nations."

They'll meet again next year. But meanwhile Carter's own stock market has gone into a prolonged slide. "The market has been telling us for nearly eight years that there is something wrong with the fundamentals supporting this economy . . it may not be too long until we find out what it is." The warning

comes from a leading financier, Walter Stone of Boston.

Quite likely, that "something wrong" is already evident. Incorder the company and the course Germany an London, no agreement was reached because Germany and Japan (cheered on by Canada and lesser powers) no longer

take orders from USA. They aren't "rebellious". But they can't afford to commit economic suicide to save the USA. Weak though they are, this once all-powerful USA also is so weakened that it can mo longer act as the saviour of the system.

This is new in Capitalism. People crying "Where is oour Boom?!" cannot find it by looking in the USA.

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"Have long been an NN Reader, but this is my last renewal because I am 88 and my eyesight is dimming." N.G. (Norway)

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"Always enjoyed NN and now notice a copy at our Library, so it is read by more people than I thought. Through the years, many NN opinions and predictions have come to be realized, and you've sent me many highly educational books. Thanks!"

"By all means publish your exposure of the Laetrile racket and if it costs as much as \$5.00 I will still order a quantity." L.F.

"Very wrong for you to attack Laetrile, which is the only hope of the world to cure cancer. Only the doctors oppose it because cancer makes them rich." G.S.A.

It is my opinion that Laetrile will expose itself. But meanwhile, I think NN should tell all Readers that Vitamin C is now reported, in a top-flight journal (Proceedings National Acad. of Sciences of USA, 73:3685-3689, 1976) as having great beneficial effect on terminal cancer patients. Both in Scotland and USA doctors gave 10 grams (that's 10,000 units) Vit. C. daily. Survival time was four times longer than patients not getting C. Doctors verifying this include world-famed Linus Pauling. Some patients lived 10 times longer than untreated patients. Everybody can buy Vitamin C, there is no rip-off in prices (as with Laetrile), and no harm can result. If NN would publicize this (doctors can read the original report) it might do great good." C.H.D.

Note: We suggest that Readers show this to all who might be interested.

"We attended a beekeepers congress in Moscow in '71 and take every opportunity to show our slides. Just wouldn't get along without NN. Happy to get facts to 'set people straight' when they have some queer ideas about USSR. Many visit our home and some see our literature and want to learn more." D.H.

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"President Carter no doubt will make the present system work for a few more years by exporting armaments over the world, but USA is following in England's footsteps and will get us where England now is. I'm well pleased with NN." D.T.

"I always drop reading all else when NN arrives; just wonderful." V.S.

Just home from two-weeks holiday in Cuba. Wish everyone would be able to take this trip. Most relaxing holiday we've ever had. People are so friendly." H.L.H.

"I'm a life-time vegetarian and surprised you never have anything on this subject, as I think Socialism should lead the world in this. Lots of vegetarians here so we'd be happy if NN writes about it." L.M.

Reply: Lots of vegetarians in USSR too, but nutritionists over there don't approve of such diets (deficient in essential aminoacids), so NN couldn't report any favorable Soviet views. However, doctors in USSR do not attack vegetarians, and everyone is free to eat as they choose.

"I was advised to read your paper with 'Jimmy Carter, Fidel Castro, Human Rights' supplement. Payment enclosed." E.J.A.

"Please send 40 copies of the 'Carter, Castro' supplement." K.E.

Don't know which is worse, hunger for food or hunger for knowledge and news. Socialism has just about licked them both. Socialism grows with peace, but hot heads in Capitalism are most dangerous." E.L.

"Received 3 sample copies of NN through a friend. Enjoyed reading it and the way things are done in USSR. Would like to hear more news of their system so here is my Sub for 30 issues of a fine magazine."



"Seems to me I should get a cheaper Sub rate because of being retired?" M.E.

Reply: Yes, you certainly should! Take off \$1.00 for each 30-issues Sub, making it \$2. Same lower rate applies to Students and all who are Unemployed. Sorry, but sometimes this gets left off our Sub coupons.

'Have been reading items from your magazine for some time now, in 'Sanity Now'. Enjoy those articles very much so would like to receive NN on regular basis.'

"Any comment on this item from 'Western Fruit Grower? Have enjoyed NN for years and sent many subs to friends." Ĺ.G.V.

Reply: Every few years this "fact" about "backwardness" of Soviet agriculture turns up afresh. Claims that one USA farmer feeds 49 people, while one Soviet farmer feeds only 7 others. First: figures are away out of date (from CIA "manual"). Second: USA counts as farmers only those actually working the land; while in USSR, all rural citizens are classed as in agriculture. Includes all teachers, doctors, nurses, drivers, mechanics, service workers ... everybody who works to keep the farmers going. So USSR has tens of millions more "farmers" than USA, where tens of millions don't count as farm people. The old story: 'Figures don't lie, but liars sure can figure!'

"NN is ever so interesting, informative. What we read in it today, we may read some

time in the papers." D.S.

Both of us anxiously await each new copy of NN. Been getting it at a book store but sending a Sub now. We cancelled our sub to the yellow press (Vancouver Sun) as I have yet to read one good word about USSR in it. Took NN's Prosperity Tour to Russia in '76. Enjoyed it very much." T.N.W.

"As member of Tour last year my wife and I and friends wish to thank NN. Food was excellent (gained 10 lbsl), also accommodations and recreation. Wonderful experience, really something to remember. It's the only way to see that country, people.' M.V.H., A.G.G.

"Send 50 copies of 'Enjoying the USSR', about NN's big Tour. I mail this material all around the country." C.A.H.

"Your 'End War!" stamps are terrific!"

"It would be appropriate for NN to write an 'Inventory of Crimes' committed by USA in its wars. What they did to the Indians, Negroes, Latin Americans, Asians, etc. Title it 'Human Rights, from 1776 to 1977'. I enclose copy of 'Denuncia', from Argentine, denouncing USA and CIA for brutalities, tortures, oppressions." L.R.G.

'May this donation be a little lift for the many lifts NN has given us. It's ironic to see Capitalism blowing its horn about its greatness and power, while all about we see unemployment, energy crisis, burned out cities, racism rampant. Really, only a Swift or Balzac could write a suitable satire of this madness." V.I.T.

Appeal to Readers: The magazine Soviet Literature very much wants to hear from NN people who also read that Soviet magazine. Please write, telling us what you like (or don't), and try to mention specific novels, stories and articles, in SL. If you wish, send your letter to NN and we'll promptly forward it.

#### No sick headlines



QUITE A FEW OLYMPICS CONTESTS (water sports) will be held in Tallinn (Estonia) in 1980. Managers are hard put to get big construction projects finished, since scarcity of workers there keeps getting worse.

**NETWORK OF "PEOPLE'S UNIVERSITIES"** has grown past 38,000, with over 10 *million* Soviet citizens enrolled in past winter. Spare-time courses in all subjects. But some 730,000 workers raised their pay-rate in 1976 through these popular "colleges".

NO AIR-CREW LAYOFFS IN USSR, As Aeroflot continually expands. Three major new routes opened this spring. Moscow to Zalre (5500 miles). Moscow to Conakry (5400 miles). Moscow to Addis Ababa (4200 miles). Have had to open new schools for training crews.

IF YOU VISIT MOSCOW THIS SUMMER, check cool comfort in shops on Kalinin Avenue. First time in world, entire street is air-conditioned from one center. Not so simple, since cooling needs vary greatly with height of buildings, people inside, position of sun, swift changes in rain-storms, etc.

USSR AND ITS ALLIES IN SOCIALISM have trained over 600,000 specialists who now work in the Less Developed Countries. Right now, 30,000 students from those lands are studying in Socialism.

SOMETHING NEW IN NATURE PROTECTION: treelovers of Leningrad have set up a *Green First-Aid Squad*. Watch for beautiful old trees threatened by disease or injury, then apply scientific life-saving treatments. So big now that in '76 they save over 2000 trees, including giant historic maple at Pavlovsk palace.

UNLIKE USA'S "DECLINING QUALITY" IN ARMY, USSR's troops educational-level rises every year. Eight of ten servicemen have completed high school. Over half of all officers have college education.

WORLD'S STRONGEST MAGNET claimed to be working now in Sverdlovsk (Urals) plant. Weighs under five pounds yet can *lift one thousand times* its own weight. Secret is new samarium-cobalt alloy.

DURING THE OLYMPICS IN 1980, three Moscow airports are expected to handle 60,000 passengers daily. Just one new terminal will be equipped to accommodate 2000 people each hour.

TRADITIONAL "LABOR FOR THE NATION" day, April 16, saw 144 million Soviet people on-the-job, or doing public work, for free. Value of their Saturday work was 1,207 million dollars. Goes to building special hospitals and day-care centers for children.

"PESNYARY" ROCK GROUP (which visited USA this year) has sold its 10-millionth recording. Latest production is a rock opera, Song of Man's Lot. Based on classical poem by Yanko Kupala, it's drawing big crowds.

BUSINESS IN THE ARCTIC IS BOOMING, so famous atom-powered icebreaker, *Lenin*, started opening the Polar Shipping Route weeks earlier than ever before. Goal now is to use such super-powerful breakers to make polar shipping feasible almost all year.

PRIZED BARGUZIN (SIBERIA) SABLE, once nearing extinction, now numbers over 800,000, thanks to sable nursery workers in Barguzin Preserve, along Lake Baikal.

TWO NATIONAL PARKS, first in USSR, will soon open. One, around Baikal, is 15,000 square miles (Yellowstone in USA is 4,000). Other is inside the Arctic Circle, Taimyr Peninsula, about 5,500 square miles.

HEAT TREATMENT FOR CANCER is achieving marked results in USSR, where 250 patients have reacted well. New safety methods allow high body-heat, plus other treatments, to be restricted to area of cancer. Said to be most effective in some breast cancers.

# They have no worries that jobs may be gone after their vacations

NEVER MENTIONED IN OUR PRESS is fact that 1977 marks two national anniversaries. Not only is USSR 60 years old this year, but Finland also celebrates 1917 as the year when the new system, Socialism gave the Finnish people their freedom . . . Finland former was colony of Czar. Today, capitalist Finns have cordial, prosperous relations with socialist neighbors.

AN EIGHTY-YEAR-OLD RESEARCH CHEMIST, Semyon Volfkovich, has won top Soviet honor, Lomonosov Gold Medal. He has largely been responsible for amazing growth of Soviet fertilizer industry. Previously, he had won five Orders of Lenin, a remarkable record. Too bad our papers overlook his story. He's one of those "oppressed Jews" we don't hear about.

ACROSS-THE-WORLD AIR ROUTE, Moscow to Tokyo, has proved so popular (and profitable) that half a dozen international airlines now use it. Jets cover the 4,800 mile flight in about 10 hours. At present, 21 flights per week are booked heavily for passengers and quality freight.

IN PAST 5-YEAR PLAN Moscow builders finished 550,000 apartments, 132 schools, over a thousand stores, and 820 restaurants and cafes. Public transport lines increased by some 400 miles, and the city bought 1,000 new electric buses, 4,000 standard buses, thousands of new taxis.

AFTER 60 YEARS OF SOVIET POWER workers of the world's first socialist system turn out more industrial goods than the entire world did back in 1950. What Capitalism (USA) especially) never publicizes is fact that Soviet production has again doubled in just 10 years. Now USSR is ahead of USA in output of oil, coal, coke, iron, steel, fertilizer, locomotives, tractors, timber, cement ... even such consumers' goods as woolen fabrics and leather footwear, to say nothing of milk, butter, sugar. Latest trends make it certain that Socialism's lead will considerably extend by 1980.

BIG POPULATION SHIFT GOES ON IN USSR, as 3,500,000 farm people leave the land each year, while 1,700,000 go for farming. Mostly young people leave agriculture, in spite of high pay now general in mechanized Soviet farming. Main reason for shift: advanced city life.

NOT ALL TRAVELLING JEWS LEAVE USSR. Hundreds who went to Israel now want to go back, and some are making it. Bravsteins of Kiev are typical. They went to help build "promised land" but became disillusioned and embittered by the dog-eat-dog reality of Capitalism in Israel.

ONE MILLION SOVIET BOYS AND GIRLS, graduating this spring from college, found jobs. Big majority had places all picked out beforehand. Main line-ups in USSR were *employers* (personnel directors of Soviet enterprises that are chronically short of workers). Grads get work in their chosen field, too, since long-term planning adjusts number of students to the probable needs of every enterprise in Socialism.

FIRST SUPER-COLD ELECTRIC POWER LINE now being tested. No thicker than your arm, one cable will carry the entire peak-load power of the whole Moscow network. Secret is super-conductivity of the "cable", which is kept hundreds of degrees below zero. Already seems obvious that ugly power lines will all "go underground" in fairly near future.

POSSIBLY WORLD'S BIGGEST MEDICAL CENTER, with a staff of 22,000, is being built on outskirts of Moscow. Will contain USSR's largest clinic (3,000 beds), plus big hospital for children, and a medical college for 8,400 students.

SOCIALIST NATIONS HAVE A NEW ENTERPRISE with a foot-long name... Inter-Water-Purification. USSR and its allies (in CMEA) have launched a joint effort to develop, build and operate new plants for purifying water and treating sewage. New outfit is managed by Bulgarian experts.

THESE SAME NATIONS recently decided to expand the use of their "socialist money", the transferable ruble. By making all purchases and payments between socialist countries, in this money, accounting is greatly simplified. Success of this ruble is worrying financiers in USA, who fear it is the forerunner of global socialist money . . . the Gold Ruble, which would be used for dealings in Capitalism also. By no means all capitalist bankers are scared, and some hint they'd welcome solld-gold money, which would be immune to the curse of inflation.

WINNING THE HELVETIA BADMINTON CUP put Soviet players in the limelight for first time, when they scored surprise victory over 11 European teams. USSR went for shuttlecock only 20 years ago, but now the Republics have over 100,000 players, some of whom are real stars.

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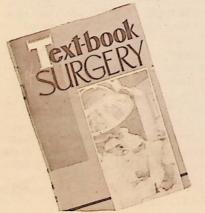
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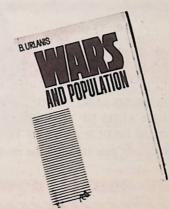
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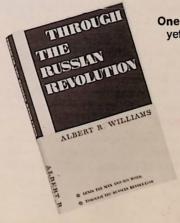
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