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COOPERATIVES EXPAND IN YUGOSLAVIA

SERBIA HAS 3,332 COOPERATIVES -- Glas, No 1460, 5 Mar 50

Rista Antunovic, Minister of Agriculture for Serbia, and Radisav Nedeljkovic, Chairman of the Main Council of Serbian Agricultural Cooperatives, announced that Serbia at present has 3,332 cooperatives of the general type, with 975,854 members, or 97 percent ^{sic} of all Serbian rural families. Thus far, 1,938 farm work cooperatives with 143,154 rural families as members, comprising 818,347 hectares of land, have been established.

The state sector at present owns 224,000 hectares of land.

Within the sphere of agricultural cooperatives of the general type, there are 858 cooperative farms, 871 agricultural machinery and tool stations, 359 breeding stations, 62 livestock farms, and 50 fruit and vine nurseries.

During 1949, a large number of cooperative farms developed into farm work cooperatives. However, new cooperative farms were formed, so that at present there are 700 such farms with 68,000 hectares of land in Serbia. These farms have 9,563 plows, 1,197 sowing machines, 128 harvesters, 101 mowers, 392 wagons, 42 tractors, 853 horses, 797 head of cattle, 2,503 pigs, 3,947 sheep, 3,168 fowl, 397 beehives, and 359 breeding stations, which have 547 stallions, 718 bulls, 1,625 rams, and 2,791 boars.

At present, Serbia has 12 factories for processing vegetables and fruit.

The turnover of Serbian agricultural cooperatives was 3,309,258,000 dinars in 1946, 7,168,964,000 dinars in 1948, and the 1949 turnover according to tied prices was 5,269,436,000 dinars. In 1948, cooperatives purchased 9.5 billion dinars' worth of agricultural products, and in 1949, 10 billion dinars' worth.

Serbia has 5,765 cooperative stores, 585 stores for farm work cooperatives, and 591 miscellaneous stores.

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During the first half of 1949, 1,885 agricultural cooperatives had revenues of 428,827,438 dinars and expenditures of 512,133,995 dinars. Their expenditures exceeded revenues by 83,306,557 dinars. During the first half of 1949, 76 percent of these cooperatives had a deficit of 96,330,000 dinars and 24 percent had a profit of 13,923,000 dinars.

The following table shows the increase in farm work cooperatives in Serbia between 1949 and 1950:

Oblast	No of Farm Work Cooperatives		No of Families		Agricultural Land (ha)	
	Feb 49	Feb 50	Feb 49	Feb 50	Feb 49	Feb 50
Serbia proper	218	926	5,095	29,051	19,594	144,821
The Vojvodina	376	744	33,543	102,482	200,535	615,549
Kosmet	43	268	1,812	11,621	9,965	57,977
Total	637	1,938	40,450	143,154	230,094	818,347

Serbia has 121 farm work cooperatives which include members of national minorities. Of these, 21 are purely Hungarian minority cooperatives, 25 are Albanian, 9 are Slovak, 17 are Rumanian, 3 are Russian, and one is a Czech minority cooperative.

The following table shows the stock-raising situation in Serbia at present:

Type of Livestock	Total no of Livestock in Serbia	No of Livestock per 100 ha of Arable Land	No of Livestock Recommended per 100 ha of Arable Land
Horses	74,291	12.2	12
Cattle	70,297	11.5	25
Sheep	185,029	30.4	70
Pigs	141,401	23.2	120

The 1950 investments in Serbian farm work cooperatives and cooperative centers amount to 5,990,000 dinars.

FARM WORK COOPERATIVES IN CROATIA --- Vjesnik, No 1498, 24 Feb 50

Croatia had 320 farm work cooperatives on 1 January 1949, and 1,625 on 1 January 1950.

In 1949, 7,757 families belonged to farm work cooperatives and 16,624 families were members in 1950. The area of farm work cooperatives increased from 43,497 hectares in 1949 to 279,474 hectares in 1950, according to incomplete data.

On 1 January 1949, an average of 24 families, consisting of 103 members, of whom 52 were fit for work, were members of Croatian farm work cooperatives. On 1 January 1950, an average of 38 families, consisting of 153 members, of whom 78 were fit for work, were members of farm work cooperatives.

From 1 November 1949 to 10 December 1949, 326 new farm work cooperatives were formed in Croatia, with a membership of 10,625 families and with 53,271 hectares of land. The 613 old farm work cooperatives were joined during this period by 10,121 new families and acquired 40,509 more hectares of land.

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The following table shows the increase in livestock in Croatia between 1949 and 1950 on an average area of 100 hectares:

	<u>Jan 49</u>	<u>Jan 50</u>	<u>Increase (%)</u>
Horses	7.3	15	100
Cattle	11	17	54
Pigs	14.1	26	84
Sheep	11.5	44	282

The following table shows the level of membership in farm work cooperatives in 1949 and 1950 in percentages:

	<u>Jan 49</u>	<u>Jan 50</u>
Poor farmers	.76	.60
Medium farmers	.19	.33
Rich farmers	.05	.07

GIVES DATA FOR YUGOSLAVIA, MACEDONIA -- Nova Makedonija, No 1621, 24 Mar 50

Dimitar Vlahov, Vice-Chairman of the Presidium of the People's Skupstina of Yugoslavia, announced recently that Yugoslavia at present has 6,720 farm work cooperatives with 343,600 families and 1,858,800 hectares of land. State farms have 585,500 hectares of land. The socialist sector owns a total of 2,443,500 hectares of land, or almost 25 percent of all the arable land in Yugoslavia. Yugoslavia now has 2,180 cooperative farms.

Macedonia now has 903 cooperatives with 58,800 families and 290,000 hectares of land. Cooperative property, state farms, and local farms cover 60 percent of all the arable land in Macedonia. This republic owns 161 state farms with 28,857 hectares of land.

MACEDONIA TO GET 18,500 IRON PLOWS IN 1950 -- Nova Makedonija, No 1610, 10 Mar 50

Lazar Kolisevski, Prime Minister of Macedonia, announced recently in Ohrid that Macedonian villages are scheduled to receive 18,500 iron plows in 1950.

In 1946, Macedonian villages received 500 tons of artificial fertilizer, and in 1949, 13,000 tons, or 26 kilograms per hectare of the total agricultural area.

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