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Soviet Armenia, a monthly organ of the Armenian (Society for the Preservation of Ties with Foreign Countries, has been published for more than 4 years in Yerevan, Soviet Armenia. The editor of the publication is Badrig Selian, a member of the Armenian Hunchak Party and former editor of Lraper [Communist daily newspaper published in New York/, organ of the Armenian Progressives in the US.

It is obvious that the editorials of this publication are designed to spread Communist propaganda among Armenians in foreign countries and that all efforts are being concentrated on turning out a publication in harmony with their tastes. Both the paper and the printing are of fine quality. (The daily newspaper Soviet Armenia, on the other hand, which is designed for the $l\frac{1}{2}$ million Armenians within Soviet Armenia, is poorly printed on poor-quality paper, and its contents are entirely without interest.) Soviet propagandists are considering publishing "agricultural" and "religious" papers adapted to Armenian readers in foreign countries.

Soviet Armenia has been designed to attract the eye with pictures of beautiful Armenian dancers, singers, and winners of Stalin awards, including pictures of Stalin, Lenin, painters, historical groups, etc. A special section is devoted to avticles written by repatriates praising Stalin, who has given them "happiness" and allows them to "breathe freely," and portraying life in the US, Egypt, Greece and France as "hell" and terming social and economic conditions in those countries as unbearable. These repatriates assert that if they had remained a little longer in those countries they would have died of hunger.

The April issue of Soviet Armenia described an Armenian repatriate from Egypt, Hagop Aramian, as a poet who had graduated from the School of Marxism-Leninism, in an article entitled "Repatriates are Armed with Marxism and Leninism." Aramian wrote, "A large part of the 2,565 students at Verevan University being trained in Marxism-Leninism are repatriates," and then he listed a large number of names.

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In the April issue of <u>Soviet Armenia</u>, K. Nigoghosian wrote: "The Dashnaks [Armenian Revolutionary Federation] are the whelps of US imperialism and the slaves of American ambition to conquer the world. The Dashnaks in Lebanon and Syria are increasing their struggles against the democratic and progressive Armenian organizations, so that they may obstruct the efforts of the Armenian people to join in the struggle of the Near and Middle East peoples against Anglo-American imperialism. The Dashnaks, by intimidation and by betraying the meeting places of Armenian progressives and their societies, are attempting to alienate the Armenians in foreign countries from the Soviet Union and Soviet Armenia."

It seems as if Nigoghosian is repeating word for word the editorials of <u>Arev</u> (Armenian daily in Cairo, organ of the Ramgavar Party).

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