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KUZBASS MINERS PLEDGE INCREASE -- Krasnyy Flot, No 25, 1 Feb 49

Kuzbass miners have made the following pledges for 1949:

1. To attain in 1949 the level in coal cutting set for 1950 and to deliver 360,000 tons of coal above the year plan; Kuzbassugol' Combine to account for 210,000 tons of this amount and Kemerovugol' Combine for 150,000 tons.
2. To deliver 50,000 tons of coking coal above the plan during 1949.
3. To complete the plan for preparatory work ahead of schedule; for Kuzbassugol' to cut 4,000 meters, and Kemerovugol', 2,000 meters.
4. To increase labor productivity over 1948 by 12 percent for Kuzbassugol' Combine and 11 percent for Kemerovugol' Combine.
5. To assure lower production costs and deliver to the State during 1949 12 million rubles above plan, 7 million rubles by Kuzbassugol' Combine, and 5 million rubles by Kemerovugol' Combine.
6. To complete the annual housing plan during the first half of 1949, Kuzbassugol' Combine to be responsible for the construction of 1,000 apartments and 45 dormitories and the Kemerovugol' Combine, for 620 apartments and 28 dormitories.
7. To assure the fulfillment of the 1949 plan in cultural and material construction, by Miners' Day, in the case of Kemerovugol' Combine, and by 7 November, in the case of Kuzbassugol' Combine.
8. To complete the year plan for capital construction and to put into operation ten mines and two coal pits, six mines and one pit to be accounted for by Kuzbassugol' Combine and four mines and one pit by Kemerovugol' Combine.

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DONBASS MINES GET NEW COMBINE -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 9, 12 Jan 49

The "Stalinugol" Combine's Mine have obtained a new mine combine, the "GUK-1," produced by the Gorlovka Plant imeni Kirov. The combine completely mechanizes the processes of cutting, breaking up, and loading coal, drilling blast holes and loosening the seam by blasting.

The Chistyakovo Mine No 3 has been conducting training courses for operators of underground mine combines. Forty miners from Rutohenkovo, Petrovka, Budennovka, Snezhnyanka, and other coal centers of the basin are taught by instructors of the "Gipromglemash" (State Institute for Designing Coal Mining Machinery). After passing an examination in theory and practical training, the miners will be qualified to operate the mining combines.

COAL MINES FULFILL JANUARY PLAN -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 25, 1 Feb 49

The "Stalinugol" and "Artemugol" Combines completed the January plan on 30 January. Coal cutting rose 11.2 percent in "Stalinugol" Combine compared with the same period of 1948. The "Snezhyanatratsit" and "Chistyakovatratsit" Trusts showed the greatest increase in coal cutting.

All the trusts in "Artemugol" Combine exceeded the plan except "Kalininugol".

The "Voroshilovgradugol" and "Donbassantratsit" Combines fulfilled the January plan ahead of schedule.

Krasnoye Znamya, No 11, 14 Jan 49

It was reported on 7 January that the mines of the "Artemugol" Trust were not completing the plans for the first few days in January. Since that time, the work of the mines has sharply improved, with Mine No 2/9 taking the lead. Mine No 2/9 fulfilled the daily plans since 6 January with increasing higher percentages and exceeded the 10-day plan for January by 18.3 percent. The mine also produced its first trainload of coal of the 13 trainloads promised for the first quarter 1949. Miners of No 2/9 have pledged to bring the average monthly productivity of each workers up to 37 tons of coal, and miners of No 7 pledged 32 tons per worker per month. Workers in both mines mined 19 trainloads of coal above the plan in 3 months of 1948. The "Artemugol" Trust as a whole exceeded the plan for the first 10 days in January by 9 percent.

Krasnoye Znamya, No 23, 29 Jan 49

The Uglovskoye Mine Administration (director, I. Ye. Tsisel'skiy) of "Kraytop" (Kray Fuel Administration) is increasing the rate of coal output and fulfilling the daily quota 120-125 percent. The average daily mining of coal in January exceeded the December level by 1.3 times. Mine No 1 (chief, P. I. Primachenko) has taken the lead in the administration by fulfilling the daily quota 150 percent. Mine No 2 (chief, N. A. Kabanchenko) has consistently increased its mining rate.

KIZEL COAL MINES COMPLETE PLAN -- Leninskoye Znamya, No 2, 4 Jan 49

Mines of the Kizel coal basin have completed the plan for 1948.

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MINES EXCEEDED 1948 PLAN -- Bol'shevik Altaya, No 3, 5 Jan 49

The Berezovskoye Mine Administration exceeded the annual plan for mining ore by 9 percent and for processing ore by 6 percent. The Administration realized 3 million rubles in above-plan profits for 1948. Ore output increased by 47 percent over 1947 and output of concentrates increased 100 percent.

COAL PIT BEATS QUOTA -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 21, 1 Feb 49

Kok-Yangak -- Pit 39-bis has been judged the outstanding pit in the mine. It completed the 1948 plan 102 percent and the plan for preparatory work 170 percent. Its savings amounted to 200,000 rubles.

The miners are working with new enthusiasm in honor of the Fifth Congress of the KP(b) of Kirgiz SSR. The quota for coal cutting is being exceeded daily. Workers of the pit resolved to fulfill the 2-month plan by 10 February and to make 30,000 rubles profit above plan.

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