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ROAD IN URAL TAIGA COMPLETED -- Krasnaya Zvezda, No 159, 8 Jul 49

An automobile cordurey road has been constructed to facilitate the expansion of the coal mines of the largest coal trust in the Urals -- the "Varkhushevugol'" Trust. The road will be used to transport timber to the mines. It was expected that 3 years would be necessary to complete this road. Mowever, the cordurey road was completed in 5 months by Stakhanovite brigades using modern equipment.

RCAD-BUILDING CAMPAIGH IN KARELO-FINNISH SSR -- Leninskoye Znamya, No 123, 24 Jun 49

The Earelo-Finnish SSR is carrying out a road-building campaign during the months of June and July. The goal of the campaign is to complete not less than 80 percent of the year plan for road construction by 10 July. It is planned to reconstruct and build 490 and to repair 520 running meters of bridges, and to obtain and haul over 40,000 cubic meters of gravel and saud for road improvement.

A number of rayons, including Olonetskiy, Vedlozerskiy, Pryazhinskiy, Medvezh'yegorskiy, and Prionezhskiy, have well-organized road-building programs. However, other rayons, including Suoyarvskiy, Pitkyarantskiy, Kemskiy and Petrovskiy rayons have organized their work poorly.

CHITA ROAD BUILDING PROGRESSES -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 111, 8 Jun 49

During 1949, the automobile pool in Chita Oblast is being increased almost 12 times, but the poor condition of automobile roads is causing many delays in the supply of goods to outlying regions. The majority of rayons in the oblast are actively participating in 3-year road-building program, approved by the Fourth Esseion of the Oblast Soviet of Workers' Deputies. Kolkhoz workers and road construction workers in Petrovsko-Zavodskiy Rayon, initiators of the program, are fulfilling their pledge to complete the year plan ahead of schedule.

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As of 1 June, the rayon has procured and delivered to the construction area, 5,000 cubic meters of gravel, 5,000 meters of timber, and 1,885 cubic meters of stone; they have built 4½ kilometers of roadway, and have built and repaired 112 bridges. Beginning on 1 June, the rayon organized mass participation of the population in road building work.

A large road-building program is underway in Baleyskiy Rayon, where mass participation by the population also has been organized. Besides kolkhozes and road-building agencies, industrial enterprises are engaged in the work and supply their transport facilities for it.

The program has not yet reached a sufficiently extensive scale, however, and many enterprises are not participating.

Road builders and kolkhoz workers in Sretenskiy Rayon, Chita Oblast are exceeding plans for road and bridge building and repair. By the beginning of last spring, the rayon had procured 400 cubic meters of commercial timber, a times the planned amount. Two bridges, one 25 meters long, at the village of Ust'-Marinzor across the Kurlycha River, and the other 92 meters long, across Kuenga River, were built and put into operation ahead of schedule. One half of the year road-building plan has already been completed.

KOLKHOZ FARMERS BUILD PORTOON BRIDGE -- Sovetskeya Sibir'. No 123, 24 Jun 49

Kolkhoz farmers of Kolyvanskiy Rayon, Movosibirsk Oblast, have built a pontoon bridge across the Oyesh River. Direct automobile transportation between Kolyvan' and the Chik railroad station, which had been disrupted in the spring, has now been resumed.

BRIDGE MEARING COMPLETION IN LEMINGRAD -- Loningradskaya Pravda, No 159, 8 Jul 49

A swinging metal span for the through passage of ships with masts is being installed on the Gutuyevskiy Bridge (in Leningrad) which crosses the river to Ekateringofka. The new bridge has been opened for pedestrian traffic. It will be open for automobile traffic in the very near future.

ROAD-MACHINERY STATION MEARS COMPLETION -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 137, 12 Jun 49

A large new road-machinery station is being set up in Khabarovsk Kray and has begun to receive its equipment, including bucket cranes, S-80 tractors, motorized road-rollers, and stone crushers. The station expects to receive soon 13 dump trucks, two bulldozers, three large scrapers, and other machinery. The station will start road-building operations in the second half of 1949.

FRUNZE GETS TAXICAS SERVICE -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya No 118, 18 Jun 49

The Ministry of Automobile Transport has established a taxicab park in Frunze. The taxicabs will operate within the city limits and, by agreement with the bus station, will carry passengers to the nearest rayons of Frunze Oblast, as well as to the Frunze railroad station to meet trains from Moscow and Dhalal-Abad. The city bus station will accept phone calls for taxis. There will be taxi stands at the corners of ulitse Kaganoviche and Alma-Atinskaya ulitse, ulitse Frunze and Alma-Atinskaya ulitse, and in other places.

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