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BOSNIAN LUMBER CAMP ROADS EXTENDED -- Borba, No 153, 29 Jun 49

Donji Vakuf -- More than 30 kilometers of new truck roads, forest railroads, and ropeways are being built in the territory of the "Janj" Lumbering Enterprise, to facilitate and speed the shipment of wood from the lumber camps to the lumber yards or to small auxiliary sawmills, and to reduce transport costs. The enterprise plans eventually to replace all its draft animals with trucks.

A 9-kilometer extension of the "Janj" forest railroad line will permit the opening of a new lumber camp having about 800,000 cubic meters of virgin timber, mostly conifers. Next year the line is scheduled to be extended another 8 kilometers. It will then give access to enough timber to supply the enterprise's largest sawmill.

A 16-kilometer ropeway to carry railroad ties, firewood, and wood for cellulose is under construction. Several kilometers have already been built. Another ropeway, 4 kilometers long, is under construction at Smiljarini Potok. A truck road, 1 1/2 kilometers long, will extend from the terminus of this ropeway to the main road. A truck road at Porecka Rijeka, now being built at top speed, will connect the forest railroad with the main road. The deadline for the completion of this road is 30 June.

A crane is being installed at the Stolovas lumber camp to carry lumber down from the Stolovas sawmill to the railroad line which leads to the main sawmill. The new crane is expected to increase transport capacity by 35 percent.

One of the most modern sawmills in Europe, with all wood-processing operations mechanized, is near completion at the headquarters of the enterprise.

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NEW FOREST AREAS TO BE OPENED -- Borba, No 153, 29 Jun 49

Bosanska Krupa -- This year several new roads are being built in the territory of the "Una" Wood Industry Enterprise. Their completion will open a large area of virgin forest containing 1,300,000 cubic meters of wood for exploitation.

A truck road, 8½ kilometers long, from Tabelaica to Suvaicina, will open a new lumbering area containing about 800,000 cubic meters of outstanding beech wood. The forest at Suvaicina has never been cut. All the earthwork has already been completed, and the road will be entirely finished by 1 August.

The main truck road in the Ravni Do lumbering district will be extended 5 kilometers to Bjelajška Uvala, where about a half million cubic meters of evergreen timber await exploitation. The earthwork has been completed on 2 kilometers of this road.

Several ropeways will be installed this year in the Turska Voda lumbering district. Truck roads will not be built because this district does not have a great deal of wood, but ropeways will be built from the end of the present road to all points where lumber is to be cut. The old roads to the Turska Voda and Ravni Do lumber camps will be repaired.

A new sawmill, one of the most modern in Yugoslavia, will be put into operation within a few days at the headquarters of the "Una" Enterprise. All construction has already been completed.

FOREST ROPEWAY INCREASES TRANSPORT OF LOGS -- Borba, No 155, 2 Jul 49

A 1,200-meter ropeway for the transport of wood has been installed in the lumber camp at Leskovac in Serbia. The ropeway can be set up wherever it is needed. It will take the place of roads, the construction of which would have cost 180,000 dinars, occupied 100 skilled workers for 20 days, and used up 120 cubic meters of the best beech wood.

The installation of the ropeway has increased the transport of wood in the camp and lowered transport costs by 65 percent. It assures a supply of wood to the sawmill even during bad weather when draft animals cannot work.

NEW ROPEWAY IN SLOVENIA -- Borba, No 159, 6 Jul 49

The workers of the forestry collective at Celje, in Slovenia have built a new ropeway 3,800 meters long. It has been in operation for the last month, carrying about 100 cubic meters of beech wood to the truck road every day.

GOOD HARVEST DUE IN VOJVODINA -- Borba, No 154, 30 Jun 49

Good harvests are expected in all districts of the Vojvodina. Current estimates predict an average yield of 15 - 16 metric centners of wheat per hectare, or about 20 percent more than the 10-year prewar average for the same territory. The best yield of white grains is expected in Central and Southern Backa, near Zrenjanin, and in the southern part of the Banat.

This year the entire harvest and threshing on state farms will be done by machine. If there are not enough machines, the People's Councils will mobilize privately owned machinery for use on the state farms. This should obviate such losses as were suffered last year because of the shortage of manpower on state farms.

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