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RURAL RADIOIFICATION PROGRESS

MOLDAVIAN RAYON CENTERS RADIOIFIED -- Sovetskaya Moldaviya, No 157, 6 Aug 49

At present all rayon centers of Moldavian SSR have public radio reception and distribution centers. In the 5 postwar years 60 public radio reception and distribution centers have been set up in the republic.

RADIOIFICATION OF OMSK OBLAST -- Izvestiya, No 159, 8 Jul 49

There are now 402 kolkhoz settlements in Omsk Oblast in which every home is equipped with radio. There are now 75,000 controllable loudspeakers in Omsk Oblast in comparison with the 30,000 controllable loudspeakers and receivers in operation at the beginning of this year. Before the end of 1949, 2,065 more kolkhozes will be equipped with radio. The oblast should be completely equipped with radio during 1949.

Kul'tura i Zhizn', No 21, 31 Jul 49

At present there are more than 107,000 radio points in the rayons of Omsk Oblast. More than 50 percent of the homes of kolkhoz, MTS, and sovkhos workers are radiofied. About 60,000 crystal sets have been installed in kolkhozes of the oblast. In July about 22,000 radio points were set up in the rural rayons of the oblast. In the oblast 634 kolkhozes are completely radiofied.

KHABAROVSK PLANS EXTENSIVE RADIOIFICATION -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 172, 23 Jul 49

Public radio reception and distribution systems in rayon centers of Khabarovsk Krai serve as many as 90,000 controllable loudspeakers. But there are still many populated areas, particularly villages and outlying settlements in the Chukot National Okrug, Kamchatska Oblast, and on the Okhotsk seacoast, which do not have radio facilities. More than 100 kolkhozes are without radio. Construction of radio reception and distribution systems will begin soon in Khabarovsk krai Rayon, and kolkhoz workers in Kamchatska Rayon plan to complete wide-scale radioification of the rayon by the end of 1949.

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Recently, the Bureau of the Khabarovsk Kray Committee VKP(b) and the executive committee of the Kray Soviet of Workers' Deputies approved a plan for intensive radiofication of the Kray between 1949 and 1951 and issued an extremely important decree on the subject. The decree declared that the existing network of controllable loud speakers is entirely insufficient to meet the needs of the population. The plan calls for the radiofication of all kolkhozes, fish comb'nes, and workers' settlements during the next 3 years. The work will be done with the wide-scale participation of kolkhoz workers, industrial workers, and intelligentsia, under the strict control of rayon Party and executive committees.

Each industrial enterprise, institution, and school must sponsor radiofication work in a certain village, giving it materials, equipment, and skilled personnel. Interrayon repair shops of the Ministry of Communications should be set up on a wide scale.

The kray DOSARM organization must establish more clubs for radio amateurs in its primary organizations. The kray radio club is actually only a center for training radio operators, and should do more work among the mass of workers.

Trade organizations are not providing adequate supplies of radio equipment in village stores. Stores are almost always out of crystal sets, while the warehouse of the Kray Fishermen's Consumers' Union has at least 1,000 sets on hand.

Finally, Komsomol organizations, particularly those in rural areas, should make a greater effort to disseminate radio science and train radio technicians. **
V. Diodor'yenko, chairman, Khabarovsk Kray Radio Committee

RADIO TECHNICIANS NEEDED -- Zabaykalskiy Rabochiy, No 112, 10 Jun 49

Radio technicians, electricians, mechanics, forgere, and warehouse men are needed. Persons with ten grades of education will be accepted as radio technicians' apprentices. Apply: radio station of the Ministry of Communications, Atamanovka Station [20 kilometers east of Chita].

TRILISI STORES HAVE ARZ-49 RADIOS FOR SALE -- Zarya Vostoka, No 145, 26 Jul 49

Tbilisi stores have received a large shipment of ARZ-49 three-tube radio receivers. These radios are considerably cheaper than other models.

RADIO QUALITY DETERIORATES -- Pravda, No 211, 30 Jul 49

In a letter written to the editorial staff of Pravda, B. Korovin, director of the luxury goods department, and I. Fomin, director of the general store in the city of L'rov, stated that the quality of "Rekord" receiving sets produced by the Aleksandrov Radio Plant has deteriorated. New receiving sets have gone out of commission after 10-15 days, or, even worse, have arrived in stores defective directly from the plant.

In addition, the repair situation is very bad. The Ministry of Communications Equipment Industry should establish repair centers in each city.

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