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A fully mechanized bakery was built in Gori in 1950. Bakeries are now under construction, and will be in full operation by the end of 1951, in the cities of Tskhaltubo, Chiatura, and Gagra. (4) Construction has begun on a bakery in Rustavi which will have a 24-hour capacity of 36 metric tons of bread and bakery goods. (6)

The Tbilisi Champagne Plant, located near Avchala Station, has received new equipment which will increase its annual capacity to 4,100,000 bottles in 1951. (6)

Azerbaydzhan SSR

In 1950, 12 percent more canned food was produced in the republic than in 1949; this increase was due largely to the production of the Khachmas Cannery which serves the Kuba-Khachmas region, where more than half of the republic's fruit is grown. In 1950, the Khachmas Cannery produced 22,630,800 jars of food. (7)

A mineral water bottling plant is being built near the Isti-su Thermal Springs, on the right bank of the Terter-chay River in Kel'badzharskiy Rayon. The plant will be completed in 1952 with an annual capacity of 2 million bottles of mineral water. (8)

Kazakh SSR

Orchards, berry patches, and vineyards now occupy about 25,000 hectares in the republic. During the past 10 years, land devoted to orchards and berry patches in North-Kazakhstan Oblast has increased almost 100 times; at present, it covers 3,024 hectares. Ten years ago the annual per-capita consumption of fruits and berries in the republic was 15 kilograms. This figure will double by the end of 1951. (9)

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