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- 1. The Anton Ivanov Metallurgical Factory is located opposite the central railroad station in Plovdiv. It is equipped with 80 lathes, one cogwheel-cutting machine of Caech make, one or two planes, one 500-horsepower press, and two 300-horsepower presses. The iron easting section has two large furnaces and one small furnace. In December 1952, between 300 and 500 workers were employed.
- 2. The factory receives four or five types of iron ore for processing from the USSR. The ore is white and gray and is known by such codes as W-1 (sic) and Z-2. The factory makes pumps, cylinders, gear wheels, and spare parts for machinery and tractors.
- 3. From March to October 1942 (sic), the factory filled a special order from Rumania for a large number of pipe connections.
- 4. Three planing machines were assembled in 1952. The factory kept one, and the remaining two were exported to Communist China.
- 5. The factory worked two shifts in April and May 1952 and one shift in June and July. From August to December, the turning section worked in two shifts, while the casting section worked one shift.