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1. The Klement Gottwald Automobile Works (Automobilove zavody Klementa Gottwalda) National Enterprise (formerly Auto-Praga) employs approximately 3,000 workers in three eight-hour shifts. Its present automobile production is limited exclusively to trucks. The production of a new model of three-ton trucks for the armed forces, due to start at the beginning of 1954, was delayed because of shortage of various raw materials and equipment. Production was finally started in March 1954.
2. Various types of mines are also turned out by this factory. The components of the mines are produced in the shops of the factory under names of various auto spare parts. They are then assembled in a factory room, the entrance to which is strictly forbidden to persons not working there. Large quantities of assembled mines are stored on the premises. The mines are not filled with explosives in the factory.
3. On 1 June 1953 approximately 500 workers participated in the demonstration in the courtyard, staged as a protest against the currency reform. Ten workers were arrested on the spot by the militia, and another 30 to 40 workers were later discharged

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