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1. Work on the bridge at Hohenwutzen has been suspended because of the swollen river. Some of the workmen have been transferred to Schwedt/Oder where a concrete bridge is being built under high pressure, mainly by Tiefbau Brandenburg. This new bridge is being built alongside a steel bridge which has already been completed. The concrete bridge starts in the vicinity of the Markgrafen-Schloss "Monplaisir". It will be 240 m. long and 20 m. wide; at present double piers are being erected. The bridge will connect the road from Chojna (Koenigsberg) with that to Schwedt-Angermuende-Berlin. It is to be completed on 1 December 1955. Its inauguration will take the form of a large-scale Polish-German friendship celebration. The bridge will be built entirely of ferroconcrete. 25X1
2. The bridge at Zaeckerick is being completed. It has been lengthened about 250 m. into Polish territory. There is a total of 7 arches which are now being painted. The construction site on the Polish side is screened off. Workmen were recruited in Poland. A monthly wage of 3000 sl. and certain privileges were promised.
3. In the last two weeks the following craft passed through Hohensaaten:
 - a. 4 Polish barge convoys, 2 of which were proceeding to Fuerstenberg/Oder.
 - b. 2 new luggers and 5 new cutters destined for Stralsund for export to USSR.

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