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1. In accordance with the Five Year Plan of the Yugoslav Government, river navigation is to be increased. In this connection, the following reconstruction and salvage necessitated by war damage is being carried out:
  - (a) On the Danube: Near the mouth of the Tisza, near Cerevis, near the opening at Mohovo, near the mouth of the Sava (Zemun), and at the mouth of the Morava (Smederevo).
  - (b) On the Sava: Salvaging and re-establishment of river navigation on the Sisak-Belgrade route.
2. There are approximately 150 river craft which were sunk during the war to be salvaged.
3. It is planned to build a canal between Podsused-Sisak in order to establish a waterway communication between Zagreb and Belgrade. By the construction of the Podsused-Sisak canal, the total length of navigable waterway will be increased by approximately 100 kilometers, i.e. from approximately 2,100 to 2,200 kilometers of which only 1,200 kilometers is usable for night traffic.
4. The river shipbuilding yards at Sisak, Zemun, Apatin, Novi Sad and Dolnji Milanovci are being enlarged and modernized.
5. All river ports are being enlarged. The Five Year Plan provides for an increase from the present 5,000 meters to 12,000 meters of serviceable pier sides.
6. Fifty river ports are being equipped with cranes, and the ports of Vukovar, Novi Sad, Zemun, Pancevo and Smederevo will be equipped with silos.
7. The river and lake transport totals at present approximately 6,000 horsepower of passenger boats, 28,000 horsepower of tugs and 250,000 tons of river barges.

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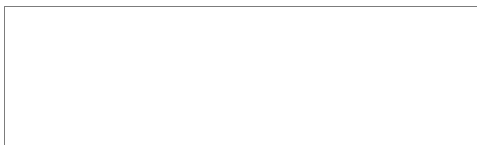
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8. The naval technical department disposes of about 12 dredgers and a total of approximately 400 tons of lifts and floating cranes.
9. A few passenger boats, about 120 barges and 12 tugs are under construction.
10. Repairs are carried out rapidly by the river naval technical department, and the dockyards are working day and night in three shifts.
11. At the beginning of June the Bojana River near Lake Scutari was being dredged up to the mouth of the river on the Adriatic. Navigation is to be effected by the Bojana from Lake Scutari up to the Sea. In this connection the shipping workshops are being enlarged. Also on Lake Ohrid, three ports are under construction.

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