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KARRIO-FINNISH SSR -- Kazakhetanskaya Pravda, No 148, 27 Jul 48

Petrozavodsk celebrated the 25th anniversary of the founding of the republic on 25 July 1948.

The parade of Petrozavodsk Garrison troops began at 1100. The following personalities were in the reviewing stand: 0. V. Kuusinen, Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, Karelo-Finnish SSR; G. N. Kupriyanov, Secretary of the Central Committee of the KP (b), Karelo-Finnish SSR; V. M. Virolaymen, Chairman of the Soviet of Ministers, Karelo-Finnish SSR; and delegates from the neighboring republics of REFER, Ukraine, Belorussia, Uzbekistan, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania.

General-polkovnik K. S. Shumilov, Epro of the Soviet Union and commander of troops of the White Sea Military District, greeted and congratulated the defenders of the northern frontier.

At the gala meeting of the workers of Petrozavodsk which followed, the principal speakers were: G. N. Kupriyanov, O. V. Kuusinen, and I. A. Vlasov, Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, RSFSR.

Rodionov, delegate of the workers of Moscow; Kovpak, Ukrainian representative and twice Hero of the Soviet Union, and delage es from the Union, Lithuanian, latvian, and Estonian SSR's also spoke.

MACCRNO-KARABAKH AO -- Bakinskiy Rabochiy, No 148, 27 Jul 48

Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous Oblast, Azerbaydzhan SSR, celebrated its 25th anniversary on 25 July in Stepanakert, the oblast center. Among the celebrities present at the parade of workers and the intelligentsia were: Seydov, Secretary of the Central Committee of the KP (b) of Azerbaydzhan; Grigor'yan, Secretary

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of Nagorno-Karabakh Oblast Party Committee; Akopov, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Soviet of Workers' Deputies of Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous Oblast and guests from Baku, Dagestan ASSR, Nakhichevan' ASSR, Kirovabad, Nukha, Agdam, and other cities and rayons of Azerbaydzhan.

A considerable number of teachers participated in the parade. Prior to the Soviet regime, nearly the entire population was illiterate. Today one third of the inhabitants of the oblast are studying in schools and higher educational institutions.

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