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WIDER ELECTRIFICATION SOUGHT IN RUMANIA;
METER MANUFACTURE BEGINS

ELECTRIFICATION PROCEEDS IN BIHOR -- Scanteia, No 1326, 16 Jan 49

By voluntary labor, the hydroelectric plant of Vascau Commune in Bihor Judet has been enlarged. Near the confluence of the Boiu and the Crisul-Negru, a new building for the plant was erected and the millrace was enlarged. The machinery was purchased in Arad using a loan of 5 million lei granted to the commune by the State. Installation of machinery was done from 25-31 December. Poles were placed, wires strung, and on 31 December the streets of Vascau were lighted by electricity for the first time. A Diesel engine is expected soon and with it the power plant will be able to furnish current to 12 towns: Colesti, Izbuca, Calugar, Iahicani, Salistea de Vascau, Cristiorii de Jos, Carpinet, Varzarii de Sus, Varzarii de Jos, Sarbesti, Sustiu, and Camp.

ELECTRIFICATION IN VOINESTI COMMUNE -- Scanteia, No 1320, 9 Jan 49

A hydroelectric station was recently built through voluntary work of the population of Voinesti Commune, Dambovita Judet. The "Prahova" Society furnished the metal and peasant workers of Maresti and Gemenes, the wood. Stringing of the wires will begin soon.

COMMUNE IN CLUJ JUDET ELECTRIFIED -- Scanteia, No 1317, 6 Jan 49

On 30 December, the public institutions of Gilau Commune in Cluj Judet were provided with electricity. It is planned to extend the use of electricity to houses of commune workers. Hungarian and Rumanian worker-peasants united in voluntary transporting and erecting of poles for the power lines.

ELECTRIFICATION SPEEDED IN SIBIU REGION -- Universal, No 32, 9 Feb 49

Workers of the Sibiu Electrical Plant have just completed two networks of 15,000 and 60,000 volts. The combined length of the two is over 100 kilometers.

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The networks are to furnish electricity to towns in seven judets of Transylvania and the plants in Calan.

NEW HYDROELECTRIC POWER PLANT PLANNED -- Scanteia, No 1328, 19 Jan 49

By 7 November 1949, it is planned to open the Crainicel hydroelectric power plant. The waters of the Barzava River will be impounded by the Gozna Dam. When completed, this new plant will furnish current required for planned production increase at the Resita metallurgical plants.

ELECTRICITY INTRODUCED IN MORE COMMUNES -- Scanteia, No 1336, 28 Jan 49

Electric lights have recently been installed in Topoloveni Commune, Muscel Judet, and Gilau Commune, Cluj Judet. Cutting, hauling and erecting line poles was by voluntary labor.

ELECTRIC METERS TO BE MADE IN ROMANIA -- Libertatea, No 1331, 20 Jan 49

Manufacture of electric meters, formerly imported, will be begun soon at the "Vestitoral" Plant in Bucharest. Domestic manufacture has been made possible by discovery of a substitute for a special apparatus, an injection molder, used to make the disks. When final arrangements are completed, manufacture of 60,000 meters per year will be possible.

MANUFACTURE OF 11-HP MOTORS -- Scanteia, No 1341, 3 Feb 49

The "Dinamo" Factory of Bucharest, which produces electric motors and transformers, has just tested its first 11-horsepower electric motor. Motors of this type are urgently needed for the electrification of Rumanian industry and series production will start soon.

INCREASED METHANE GAS DELIVERY -- Scanteia, No 1344, 6 Feb 49

During January, 17 percent more methane gas was delivered to the city of Bucharest than in December. Most of the increase was due to the recently completed Manesti-Bucharest gas line.

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