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HOUSING PROJECTS UNDER WAY AT MARIBOR, BELGRADE

MORE HOUSING FOR SLOVENIAN WORKERS -- Politika, No 13287, 11 Jul 49

More than 800 new apartments for families and 16 blocks of temporary housing for unmarried workers will be erected this year for workers in Maribor. These units will be occupied mainly by shock workers and other outstanding workers, or by those who have been living in the most inadequate quarters.

Work is now near completion on two blocks containing 48 three-room apartments. Within a few days work will begin on six two-story buildings for 90 unmarried workers.

The "Splosna" Factory has already erected two three-story buildings containing 36 apartments for its workers, and preliminary work is in progress on ten more buildings containing 20 units and on four blocks of apartments.

Recently, 68 families, mostly industrial workers' families, were moved into new municipal housing in Maribor. Within a month two more three-story buildings containing 20 multiple-room units will be finished, and two blocks containing 72 units will be completed by the end of the year.

PREFABRICATED HOUSES FOR BELGRADE -- Politika, No 13287, 11 Jul 49

A prefabricated housing development in the Fifth District of Belgrade, now under construction near Cvetkova Mehana, will consist of ten small and five large projects. The small ones will contain eight apartments in a floor space of 234 square meters. The large ones will contain 600 to 1,000 square meters of floor space and will be two- or three-story. They will be surrounded by flower and vegetable gardens, parks, yards, orchards, and playgrounds.

The large "Betonjerka" Factory on the Danube makes the parts for these prefabricated houses. The outer walls are made of gravel, which is available in unlimited quantities in Yugoslavia. The expansion of this factory will permit the mass production of reinforced-concrete parts for prefabricated buildings.

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BELGRADE PUBLIC WORKS LISTED -- Politika, No 13293, 18 Jul 49

Large-scale public works were undertaken in Belgrade during the first half of 1949, especially in connection with laying out the streetcar net, improving the municipal water supply, and laying out parks and squares.

Over 22,000 square meters of new sidewalks were laid. Only the most urgent street and sidewalk projects were attempted because of a shortage of manpower.

Capping installations for underground water were provided, and six deep wells were drilled and put into service at Maksis.

NOVA GORICA TO BECOME POLITICAL CENTER -- Politika, No 13294, 20 Jul 49

Postojna -- More than 220 million dinars of federal and republic funds, in addition to 53,325,000 dinars from the Oblast Council of Gorica Oblast, will be spent during the second half of 1949 for reconstruction and new building in the Slovenian Primorje (Istria). Nearly 150 million dinars of this sum will be spent for expansion and new construction in Nova Gorica, the future political and administrative center of the Slovenian Primorje.

By the end of this year housing for nearly 350 people, a municipal restaurant, several administration buildings, a peripheral road with a tunnel by-passing part of the city, a municipal sewage system, a water system, and other projects will be built in Nova Gorica.

Large-scale investment projects to be built in the immediate vicinity of Nova Gorica and throughout the oblast include a hydroelectric power plant at Moca, the regulation of the Vipava and the torrents of the Vrčjba, the expansion of the shoe factory at Mirne, and the construction of a thermoelectric power plant and wood combine at Ilirska Bistrica. Large-scale preliminary work on all these projects is now under way.

WOMEN DO CONSTRUCTION WORK AT ZENICA -- Rad, No 161, 1 Aug 49

More than 3,500 women are now working in Zenica in construction, mining, metallurgical, and other manual tasks. A few years ago not a woman was employed there in manual labor.

Over 2,000 women are employed in the larger construction enterprises to excavate, unload, and transport building material. and on the railroads in all types of jobs.

Over 850 women work in the Ironworks as repairmen, lathe operators, electricians, electric welders, machine operators, and ordinary laborers. Before the war, the only women employed there were typists.

About 75 percent of the labor force in the wire plant, where wire and nails are made, is made up of women. They work especially on winding wire and packing nails.

Tens of women work in the machine shops as lathe operators, fitters, and electric and autogenous welders. An entire brigade of women works in the power plant, and women work in all working places in the coal mine except in the pits, where mining regulations forbid their employment. However, they do mine coal on the surface.

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MANPOWER SHORTAGE AT IRONWORKS SITE -- Borba, No 161, 9 Jul 49

The construction of the Ironworks at Sisak, which will be one of the largest industrial installations in Yugoslavia, has been slowed down since the beginning by a shortage of manpower. It is being built mainly by brigades of volunteers from the People's Front.

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