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ZYRARDOW-WARSAW-OTWOCK RR  
TO BE ELECTRIFIED

TRAINS TO BEGIN RUNNING 17 JANUARY 1950 -- Gazeta Ludowa, No 279, 23 Nov 49

There have been three stages in the reconstruction of the Warsaw railroad junction. First, passenger trains were put into service, followed by electric trains on the Otwock-Minsk-Milosna route. Next, the crosstown bridge and the railroad terminal of Marszalkowska Street were activated. Finally, on 17 January 1950 the first postwar electric trains are scheduled to start running on the Zyrardow-Otwock route via Warsaw.

The new Central Terminal for the trunk line will be situated in the center of Warsaw, facing Chalubinskiego Street.

The Suburban Terminal will be situated as before at the corner of Marszalkowska Street and Aleje Jerozolimskie. The schedule of suburban trains will be coordinated with urban transportation systems.

Tracks are already being laid along Aleje Jerozolimskie. At the side of the former Freight Terminal digging has been completed. Construction at the Western Terminal is also progressing. Youth of Service to Poland did the preparatory work during the summer of 1949. Now, tracks are being laid, platforms are being put up and electric lighting installed. Concrete works are being completed at the two viaducts. When the Zyrardow route is opened for traffic, the Warsaw Terminal will be ready to relieve the Main Terminal. Iron poles for high-tension wires have been erected along the entire Warsaw-Zyrardow route.

The electric line will relieve the heavy passenger traffic of suburban railroad lines. Because of a shortage of electric railroad rolling stock, steam locomotives will continue to run until cars and motors ordered in Sweden are delivered.

The opening of the Zyrardow-Otwock route will mark the completion of reconstruction of the Warsaw railroad junction. The next stage will be the expansion of the Warsaw network.

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2 LINES TO BE ELECTRIFIED -- Slowo Polskie, No 42, 20 Nov 49

The Six-Year Plan provides for the electrification of the Warsaw-Koluszki-Katowice railroad line and of the Lodz Fabryczna-Koluszki line. Preliminary work on the electrification of the Lodz-Koluszki route will begin in 1950.

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