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SOME DATA ON INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION IN THE USSR

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In the First Five-Year Plan, more than 1,500 new factories and plants were put into operation in the USSR. In the Second Five-Year Plan, 4,500 were built, and in 3 years of the Third Five-Year Plan, nearly 3,000 such buildings were completed. In the Fourth Five-Year Plan, nearly 7,000 large state industrial enterprises were restored, built, or put into operation. Directives of the 19th Party Congress envisage a 90-percent increase in the volume of state capital construction in the Fifth Five-Year Plan (1951-1955) over the Fourth Five-Year Plan, including a 100-percent increase in industrial construction.(1) Appropriations will increase only 60 percent, the remaining 30 percent to be covered by lower costs of construction through increased productivity of labor, reduction of overhead expenses, and lower costs of construction materials and equipment.(2)

In 1952, over half the funds allotted for financing the national economy were to be used for capital construction.(3) The volume of state capital construction in the first half of 1953 was 104 percent of that in the first half of 1952. This included increases of 8 percent in the metallurgical industry, 2 percent in the fuel industry, 5 percent in electric power stations and the electrical industry, 8 percent in the machine building industry, 8 percent in the construction materials industry, 9 percent in the wood and paper industry, and 8 percent in the light and food industries.(4) In October 1953, construction or reconstruction of textile, weaving, and shoe factories, creameries, fats combines, and fish-canning enterprises -- including nearly 1,300 large enterprises and more than 10,000 small-scale enterprises and plants -- was under way throughout the country.(5) More than 50 enterprises of the food industry were under construction in September 1953.(6)

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Construction of a cotton combine was in progress in September 1953 in the city of Yartsevo, Smolenskaya Oblast.(9)

On the outskirts of Engel's, Saratovskaya Oblast, one of the largest cotton combines in the country is being built. The first section is to go into operation at the end of 1954.(10)

In the Kamyshinskiy Cotton Combine, Stalingradskaya Oblast, work has begun on a spinning mill which will be finished in 1954. In all, there will be four spinning and four weaving mills in the combine.(11)

A new sewing factory with 2,000 square meters of floor space has been constructed in Kamyshlov, Sverdlovskaya Oblast.(12)

On the left bank of the Yenisey River in Krasnoyarsk, Krasnoyarskiy Kray, a silk-weaving combine was under construction in August 1953. It will have factories for spinning, weaving, dyeing, and finishing.(13)

Food Products Industry

A confectionery factory was to be built in Leningrad in 1953.(6) New enterprises of the food products industry appeared in Sverdlovsk in 1953. New buildings in the southern outskirts of the city will house a fats combine and poultry plant. By the end of the Fifth Five-Year Plan, 11 plants, 2 factories, and 4 new shops in existing plants will be in operation.(14)

A new canning factory has been completed in Azov, Rostovskaya Oblast (15), and a new sugar plant has been built in Voronezhskaya Oblast.(16)

In Chelyabinskaya Oblast, a mechanized bakery in Troitsk and a bread-baking plant in Magnitogorsk were under construction in August 1953.(17)

In 1953, a large mechanized creamery was put into operation in Kuragino, Krasnoyarskiy Kray; a dried skim milk manufacturing plant will also be built in Kuragino. New creameries being built in Krasnoturanskiy and Daurskiy rayons of Krasnoyarskiy Kray were to be finished for the 36th anniversary of the October Revolution. A milk combine was also being built in Krasnoyarsk in September 1953.(18)

Construction Materials Industry

Near Belgorod, Kurskaya Oblast, an asbestos-slate combine was under construction in April 1953. A brick combine was to be built in Kursk in 1953. On the outskirts of Oboyan in Kurskaya Oblast, construction of a plant producing insulation slabs manufactured from straw was nearing completion in April 1953.(19)

The Moskovskiy and Lyuberetskiy plants for reinforced-concrete products were to go into operation in 1952 in Moscow.(7)

Woodworking Industry

In 1952, the Ministry of Paper and Woodworking Industry started to build 12 new furniture enterprises and to renovate eight existing ones. Great attention was given to the location of such enterprises in an effort to eliminate long-distance hauling. Construction of furniture factories in Molotov, Khabarovsk,

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Kemerovo, Novosibirsk, Chelyabinsk, Sverdlovsk, and Biysk had also begun, and a large one was being built in Moscow.(8) The first section of a large furniture factory being built in Velikiye Luki had started production by February 1953.(20)

Chemical Industry

Not far from Ivdel', Sverdlovskaya Oblast, the largest hydrolysis plant in the country is under construction. The first section was nearing completion in September 1953.(21)

Karelo-Finnish SSR

The construction of a furniture factory for the Ministry of Local Industry has begun in Pervomayskiy Rayon of Petrozavodsk. It is to be completed by the end of 1954. Construction of an industrial cooperative furniture factory on Ljlotnaya ulitsa in Petrozavodsk has also started.(22) In addition to furniture factories, a knitwear factory was under construction in August 1953.(23)

Estonian SSR

A large new weaving factory was built in Narva in 1952. In Vyru, a plant for the primary processing of flax went into production in 1952, and two linen plants were being built in Pyl'va and Antsla.(24)

A new printing house was being built in Koseskiy Rayon of Tallin in September 1953. There are newly constructed printing enterprises in Kiviylil, in Narva, and on Sarema Island.(25)

Latvian SSR

Construction of a fish-processing plant, which will have salting and smoking shops as well as a storehouse, was under way in Rezekne in 1952.(26)

Large furniture factories were under construction in Ventspils, Tukum, and Autse, Lijepayskaya Oblast, in July 1952. In Autse, construction of a new brick plant was nearing completion.(27)

In the period 1951-1955, 50 percent more automobile enterprises are to be built or renovated in the Latvian SSR than from 1946 to 1950. Primarily affected will be the area along the Baltic Sea.(28)

Lithuanian SSR

Postwar industrial construction in Mariyampole includes a sugar plant, a new thermal electric power station completed in 1952, and the large "Mishkas" Furniture Factory, which has risen on the site of a small carpenter's shop.(29)

In the Lithuanian SSR, 35 interkolkhoz brick plants had been put into operation by August 1952, and 65 more were to be built by the end of the year.(30) The largest silicate brick plant in the republic was under construction in Vil'nyus in May 1953.(31)

In Novo-Vil'nyr, Vil'nyusskaya Oblast, the first machine-tool-manufacturing plant of the republic, "Zhal'giris," was being built in 1952. A paint-spraying-equipment plant, a home-building combine, and other enterprises appeared in the outskirts of Novo-Vil'nya in 1952.(32)

In the postwar years, over 40 new printing houses have been opened in the Lithuanian SSR. A three-story printing house was to be completed in Vil'nyus in 1953. The "Vayzdas" printing house, also in Vil'nyus, was adding a new two-story building. Nearly 2 million rubles were appropriated for reconstruction of the enterprise.(33)

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The central building of a canning factory being constructed in Kedaynyay was to have gone into service by 21 July 1953.(34)

Belorussian SSR

Nearly 150 million rubles were appropriated in 1953 for the construction of food factories in the republic. A butter and casein factory has been completed in Krichev, and a creamery is planned. Minsk has a new biscuit factory, and in 1951 a meat combine is to be constructed there. There are new bread-baking plants in Pinsk, Mozyr', Baranovich, and Lida.(35) As of February 1953, construction of a creamery in Dobrush had begun, and the re-equipping of the cheese plant in Buda-Koshelevskiy Rayon had been nearly completed. A large plant for producing butter and dried and condensed milk is to be built in Terekhovka.(36)

In recent years, 25 brick plants and three lime plants have been built in Baranovichskaya Oblast. In 1952, 30 more brick plants were to be built.(37) As of August 1952, thirty brick plants had been built in Minsk since the beginning of the year, and about 70 more were to be built before the end of the year.(38) In 1952, a factory for heating equipment and sewer pipes was built in Minsk.(39) As of 13 June 1953, the foundations for one of the largest poly-graphic enterprises of the country had been laid in Minsk.(40)

A new melange fabric combine being built in Minsk will be one of the largest in the country. The combine's largest building will cover an area of 6 hectares.(41)

Ukrainian SSR

In connection with the Fifth Five-year Plan, 23 newly constructed or rebuilt food enterprises were to go into production in 1953. These included a yeast plant and biscuit factory in Khar'kov; a confectionery factory in Nikolayev; fats and oils combines in Odessa and Kirovograd; fruit-canning plants in Kamenets-Podol'skiy and Bol'shaya Novoselka (Stalinskaya Oblast); a winery in L'vov; breweries in Odessa, Kirovograd, Kupyansk, Kherson, Yenakiyevo, Roven'ki, Zhdanov, and Voroshilovgrad; and vegetable-drying plants in Chervonoarmeysk and Dubno, Rovenskaya Oblast, in Piryatin, Poltavskaya Oblast, and in Yavorov, L'vovskaya Oblast. A complete reconstruction of the Sivashskiy Salt Field installations in Khersonskaya Oblast was under way in January 1953. By the end of the Fifth Five-Year Plan, 46 large new enterprises of the food industry will have been built or rebuilt in Ukrainian SSR.(42)

Reconstruction and new building under way in Poltavskaya Oblast in 1953 included milk-canning plants in Karlovskiy and Kobelyakskiy rayons, vegetable-drying plants in Piryatinskiy and Zolotonoshskiy rayons, sugar granulating and refining plants in Leshchinovka, Kobelyakskiy Rayon, and new food enterprises in Lubenskii, Orzhitskiy, Chernobayevskiy, and Reshetilovskiy rayons.(43) A new sugar factory has been built in Krasnenskiy Rayon, L'vovskaya Oblast.(44) Construction of a fish-canning plant was completed in Ochakov, Nikolayevskaya Oblast, in February 1953.(45)

A meat combine, a brewery, a macaroni factory, a margarine plant, and a caramel and biscuit factory were under construction in Stalino in August 1953. Construction of a metal rolling plant has begun and a plastics plant is planned. A radio receiver plant and a children's bicycle plant are planned for Kuybyshevskiy Rayon of the city. In Makeyevka, a building for an aluminum dishware plant and a plant for nickel-plated bedsteads were under construction in August 1953. In Konstantinovka, preparations for construction of a colored glass plant were under way. In 1954, an enamelware plant is to be built in Gorlovka. Breweries were being built in Konstantinovka and Katyk in August 1953.(46)

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In 1952, a cotton spinning mill was completed in Poltava and a new jute factory in Odessa started production. A shoe factory was to go into operation in 1953. The Kiev Sewing Factory imeni Smirnov-Lavochkin has been expanded to twice its former size.(47) The foundations were laid and the cement walls were being built for the Khersonskiy Cotton Combine during the summer of 1953. The combine will occupy an area of 200 hectares; the central section is to be a spinning and weaving factory.(48)

In Kiev, two large buildings to house a large polygraphic combine were under construction in June 1953 on a 7-hectare site.(49)

Moldavian SSR

Wide industrial construction was carried out in Bendery in 1953. A silk combine and a starch and molasses factory were under construction, and a sewing machine factory was completed.(50) A new winery was built in Strashenskiy Rayon of the Moldavian SSR in 1953. In 1954, more wineries are to be built there. Three mechanized wineries are to be built in Nisporenskiy and Travichskiy rayons. A wine and cognac plant is to be started in 1954 in Kalarash, and a wine plant is planned for Korneshtskiy Rayon.(51)

Georgian SSR

In Dranda, Abkhazskaya ASSR, construction of a new tea factory began in 1952.(52) Not far from Batumi, the Khelvachurskaya Tea Factory has been completed. In 1953, two more tea factories were to be built in Okumi and Baileti. Other completed industrial construction includes three wineries and a bread-baking plant in Tbilisi, a sausage plant in Telavi, and a refrigerator factory in Gori. In the suburbs of Tbilisi a number of food enterprises were under construction in August 1953. These included a confectionery factory and large wineries in Sagaredzhovskiy, Kaspkiy, Mayakovskiy, and Signakhskiy rayons of the republic. In 1954, a mineral water bottling plant is to be built in Borzhomi.(53) Mechanized dairies were being built in Kutaisi, Batumi, Sukhumi, Gagry, Akhalsinhe, and Bogdanovka in August 1953.(54) Also, milk-processing plants, including creameries in Bogdanovskiy and Tsalkinskiy rayons, were being built in the Georgian SSR in September 1953.(55)

A new industrial region has grown up at the confluence of the Liakhva and Kura rivers. The Goriyskiy Cotton Combine was under construction here in 1952.(56) Industrial construction in progress in Kutaisi in September 1953 included work on a furniture factory and a fish-freezing plant; a mechanized bread-baking plant was to be completed in mid-1954.(57)

Armenian SSR

A new silk factory was under construction in Beriyeviskiy Rayon, Armenian SSR, in 1952. It was to be several times the size of the existing one and was scheduled to go into operation in 1953.(58) In the vicinity of Yerevan, a large brick and tile plant was put into operation in 1952.(59)

Azerbaijanzhan SSR

The first dried milk plant in the Transcaucasus, the Geokchayskiy plant, was built in 1952. The Khaldanskiy creamery was under construction in 1952.(60)

Kazakh SSR

In the Rayon imeni 28 Gvardeytsev, Taldy-Kurganskaya Oblast, a brick factory was being built in August 1953; there are newly constructed tile factories in Leninskiy Rayon, Severo-Kazakhstanskaya Oblast, and in Dzhambul'skaya and Kustanayskaya oblasts.(61) In 1952, a brick plant and the first shops of an auto repair

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plant were built in Pavlodar.(62) In Chimkent, a karakul wool plant was nearing completion in 1952 and was scheduled to go into operation at the beginning of 1953.(63)

The Creamery imeni Krasin and a cheese and produce storage building were being rebuilt in Ust'-Kamenogorsk in August 1953. The meat combine was being expanded, and a large milk plant is to be completed in 1954.(64)

Uzbek SSR

In the rayon center of Uch-Kurgan, Namanganskaya Oblast, one of the largest plants of the Uzbek food industry -- a creamery -- has been finished. Two more creameries were being built in Kokand and Bukhara in August 1953. A fats and oils combine, as well as a champagne plant, are to be built in Tashkent in 1954. In the rayon center of Kitab, Kashka-Dar'inskaya Oblast, a second section of the canning plant was under construction in August.(65)

Construction in Samarkand in 1952 included tobacco-fermentation and spinning factories, a tannery, new buildings for silk-textile and silk-weaving factories, and a public services combine.(66) The Samarkand cotton-spinning factory, begun in 1949, had not yet been finished by April 1952.(67) Construction of a jute and hemp plant in Verkhne-Chirchikskiy Rayon, Tashkenteskaya Oblast, was completed early in 1952. Five more jute and hemp plants were to be built in the Uzbek SSR in 1952.(68)

Tadzhik SSR

During the past years, the miners' settlement of Shurab has become an industrial center. A lime plant, a central power machinery plant, a bread-baking plant, and other industrial enterprises have been built.(69)

A second jute plant was under construction in Kirovabad early in 1953.(70)

Kirgiz SSR

The largest meat combine in the republic was being built in August 1953 on the shore of Lake Issyk-Kul'. The meat combine in Frunze has continually expanded.(71) The refrigeration section of the Frunze Combine had been finished by September 1953 (72), and a confectionery factory was nearing completion.(73) A creamery was under construction in August 1953 in the city of Naryn, Tyan'-Shanskaya Oblast.(74) In Karagandinskaya Oblast, new creameries were being built in September 1953, one in Osakarovskiy Rayon and another in Chetskiy Rayon. In all, 25 creameries were being built or rebuilt.(75)

Other Kirgiz industrial construction under way in 1953 included a furniture factory being built in Dzhalal-Abad.(76)

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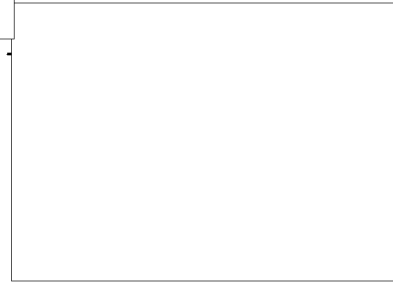
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