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1. Coal stocks and consumption of coal for operational use (in metric tons):

	Date in February	Hard Coal	Raw Prown Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes	Coke	Brown Coal Dust
Total stocks	10	49,499	18,752	51,130	1,725	706
	11	49,478	18,025	51,609	1,680	638
	12	49,472	17,968	48,897	1,577	591
	13	48,950	17,482	49,903	1,551	658
	14)					
	15)	49,550	16,948	48,205	1,541	686
	16	50,838	17,190	52,100	1,587	529
	17	51,168	17,246	53,073	1,584	484
	18	53,987	17,712	52,652	1,585	467
	19	54,827	17,580	42,487	1,523	677
	20	54,411	17,657	50,857	1,520	561
	21)					
	22)	53,490	17,453	48,674	1,527	546
	Daily Consumption	10	4,160 (3,965)	1,599 (38)	20,402 (18,117)	33 (-)
11		3,758 (3,647)	1,723 (88)	19,707 (17,336)	67 (-)	319 (319)
12		3,478 (3,359)	1,064 (64)	19,244 (17,244)	32 (-)	476 (479)
13		3,705 (3,581)	1,620 (51)	19,383 (17,495)	47 (-)	236 (236)
14)		6,968	2,677	35,423	27	653
15)		(6,822)	(83)	(33,330)	(-)	(653)
16		3,395 (3,225)	1,553 (66)	18,907 (16,898)	35 (-)	605 (605)
17		3,487 (3,334)	1,778 (53)	18,985 (17,227)	26 (-)	248 (248)

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18	3,627 (3,507)	1,619 (49)	18,621 (16,912)	21 (-)	229 (229)
19	3,823 (3,702)	1,762 (68)	18,304 (16,380)	71 (-)	309 (309)
20	4,059 (3,936)	1,543 (40)	17,441 (15,622)	24 (-)	470 (470)
21)	8,287	2,140	31,416	26	688
22)	(8,151)	(82)	(29,672)	(-)	(688)

Note. The figures in parentheses refer to the coal consumed by locomotives.

2. Backlog of loaded cars:

Date in February	Baltic Sea Ports	Poland and U.S.S.R.	Interzonal Traffic	25X1	Total
10	278	32	143		490
11	532	36	186		802
12	496	38	253		821
13	621	90	558		1,316
14	526	57	750		1,360
15	413	59	843		1,352
16	162	31	324		570
17	230	40	441		757
18	321	36	244		619
19	413	30	395		866
20	229	13	872		1,137
21	239	36	735		1,045
22	131	38	241		448

3. Park of damaged cars:

Date in February	Number of Cars
10	10,611
11	10,405
12	10,384
13	10,419
14	10,224
15	10,224
16	10,405
17	10,392
18	10,670
19	20,592
20	20,585
21	10,640
22	21,806

4. Park of operational cars:

Date in February	Number of Cars
10	92,001
11	92,448
12	94,367

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13	95,322
14	94,767
15	93,203
16	93,118
17	93,917
18	94,948
19	96,312
20	96,726
21	96,658
22	95,512

- 25X1 5. On 21 February, the locomotive, the luggage van and two cars of passenger train [] were derailed at km marker 16,0 between Grabe and Koerner on the Muehlhausen-Ebeleben railroad line probably because of defects on the permanent way and a widening of the gauge. Seventy meters of the track were damaged. The total damage caused by the accident was estimated 49,000 eastmarks. On the same day 1 empty and 2 loaded railroad cars were derailed at the Wittenberge railroad station, probably also because of a widening of the gauge. On 20 February, 7 cars were derailed at the Oberwerschen railroad station on the Deuben-Grosskorbetha railroad line, because of defects on the permanent way. The damage caused by the accident amounted to about 15,000 eastmarks.

25X1 [] Comment. As compared with the last reported status of 9 February, coal stocks again decreased by 3,914 tons to a total of 121,690 tons. Hard coal stocks, however, increased by 3,156 tons. According to the present daily coal consumption quota of 24,240 tons, total coal stocks represented only 5 days' requirements. [] These limited coal stocks would not be adequate for the execution of military transportation operations over long distances without a ruthless reduction of all other traffic. The backlog of undischarged cars was on a normal level. After 18 February, the number of damaged cars jumped to approximately 21,000 cars which is about double the normal figure previously observed. It is believed that this sudden rise in the number of damaged cars was due to the fact that other installations as well as railroad repair shops reported their number of damaged cars. This assumption is supported by the daily operations reports for the period after 19 February. The number of operational cars increased by about 4,000 units.

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