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- The following numbers of railroad cars were loaded with uranium ore at the Ronneburg railroad station on the days mentioned:

Date	Number of cars loaded
20 April	37
23 "	35
27 "	42
30 "	38
3 May	31
5 "	44
7 "	46

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is complete for the days listed.

This information

The ore was loaded on 20-ton flat cars fitted with sideracks. The ore was trucked to the railroad station on 3-ton ZIS dump trucks, the cargo of 4 or 5 trucks being loaded on one flatcar. The ore was dispatched to Zwickau. An ore washing plant is located near Zwickau.

- Two loading ramps were used for ore loading operations near Ronneburg. One of them was at the freight station, the other one had been newly constructed east of the Ronneburg-Paltzdorf highway, about 700 meters east of the Ronneburg freight station. Ore bunkers are not available. The ore is not sorted at the Ronneburg railroad station. The grade of the ore shipped is previously determined by means of Geiger counters at the ore mines. 50X1-HUM

- The work force of the uranium ore mines in the Ronneburg area is scheduled to be reduced from 1,000 to 350 men. Workers have already been laid off or transferred. New mines were being opened and built in the Ruckersdorf-Linda-Vogelsang - Braunsvalde area. The pits built at "Objekt" Schmirchau have shafts 30, 60, 90, and 120 meters deep. The ore lodes extend as far as Ronneburg. The exploited ore beds are not filled in with waste rock, a negligence which frequently causes the surface of the earth above these cavities to cave in. In this way, a depression 10 to 20 meters deep formed in the vicinity of Schmirchau.

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