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1. There has been no change in type of products or rate of production at the Getriebebau Wetzlar, of Leipzig, recently. Continuous gear chain drives for the Soviet Union remain the leading item of manufacture; 136 were delivered in April 1954. The material used in these gears is of foreign origin. The chain comes from England; the steel for the gears is delivered from the Soviet Union.
2. Sixty-three heavy gears for caterpillar vehicles were also manufactured in April 1954. The pre-cutting of teeth for these gears is done by the Getriebebau Kirschau.
3. Thirty-eight gears for motor trucks were manufactured in April for IFA. Of other types of gears there were manufactured: three WG 4-24; eight LW 80; two KBE 4-50; three KW 150. The LW 80 and KW 150 sets were delivered to Brandenburg-Mavel.
4. The material supply situation is bad. The Henningsdorf steel works, which is the only plant in the Soviet Zone that makes steel suitable for gear making, is irregular in its deliveries. Steel supplied by the Calbe works was unsatisfactory.

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