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1. Prior to the building of the Ajka (D 48) power station, a survey for coal deposits in the neighborhood was made. The power station could run profitably only if the coal supply were available in its immediate proximity.
2. Coal from the neighboring Armin mine at Csingervölgy was unsuitable, being of a low calorific content (3000 - 3200 calories). It was therefore not suitable for heating high-pressure boilers. A seam 10 meters thick, producing coal with a calorific content of 4500, was discovered at Padrag (D 47).
3. A railroad station with six sidings has been built in front of the mine entrance. The standard-gauge railroad line runs from there via Csekut to the underground railroad station at the Ajka power station. The railroad crosses the Csinger stream on a double-track bridge 18 meters long.
4. The United Incandescent Lamp Factories spared no expense to develop the coal mine in 1937. The daily output at that time was 9 - 10 carloads. [The present daily output of the coal mine is 30 - 35 carloads.] The expansion planned before the war was put into effect only after the conclusion of hostilities.

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