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1. In late July 1949, Soviet-occupied Dievenow (O 55/L 62) airfield was about 1,500 meters long. There was a concrete runway, 40 to 45 meters wide, which, according to laborers employed there, was to be extended to about 1,950 meters. The laborers were supervised by Soviet engineers wearing unbordered silver epaulets. The Soviet Air Force officers wore light blue-bordered golden epaulets. Drainage pipes were being laid in ditches on one side of the runway. Fifty laborers were engaged in construction work on the runway. About 4 or 5 concrete mixers and about 10 other construction machines were employed in the extension of the runway. Cement and sand were trucked to the field. According to laborers, work on the field was to be completed by the fall of 1950 and jet fighters were then expected to be transferred there.
2. Buildings at the field included 4 hangars, 2 of which had been built by the Germans and 2 larger ones built by the Soviets, 1 flight control building, 4 low brick buildings, occupied by Soviet soldiers, and 4 low wooden buildings, which were occupied by construction laborers.
3. The field was occupied by five Soviet biplanes with which local flights were made. About 50 Soviet soldiers were maintaining the aircraft and guarding the field. *

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