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in Riga

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1. Location: See Annex

2. Layout: See Annex

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4. Management: Latvian engineer Mihov.

5. Plant history: The plant is housed in old buildings which were partly damaged during the war. The reconstruction was started in the summer of 1945 and production began in June 1946. In August 1946 the plant was awarded the "Red Challenge Flag" in recognition of speedy construction work.

6. The plant is equipped with machinery dismantled at the Schuetz firm in Berlin-Steglitz.

7. Work force: Eighty Latvians and about sixty Poles working one shift.

8. Production: Hygrometers, anemometers, radio sondes and electrical armatures.

9. The produced instruments were trucked to the Riga railroad station from where they were shipped to Moscow.

10. The production was controlled by Soviet Air Force officers. One of them said that German engineers were employed in the plant.

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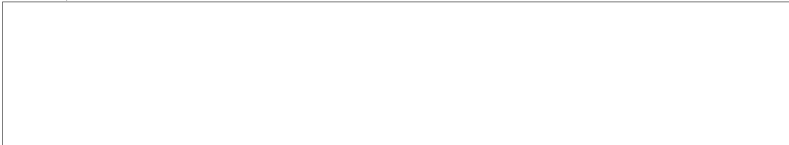


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- 11. Status of the plant: A well-run and first class precision-mechanical plant.
- 12. Power was supplied from the Riga power plant.

Field Comment:



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c. [Redacted] During the war there was a plant with this number in Moscow which manufactured armatures for hydraulic and fuel pump installations. No information on this plant [Redacted] since the war.



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- 1 Annex, sketch on ditto: Layout Sketch of the Meteorological Equipment Plant in Riga.

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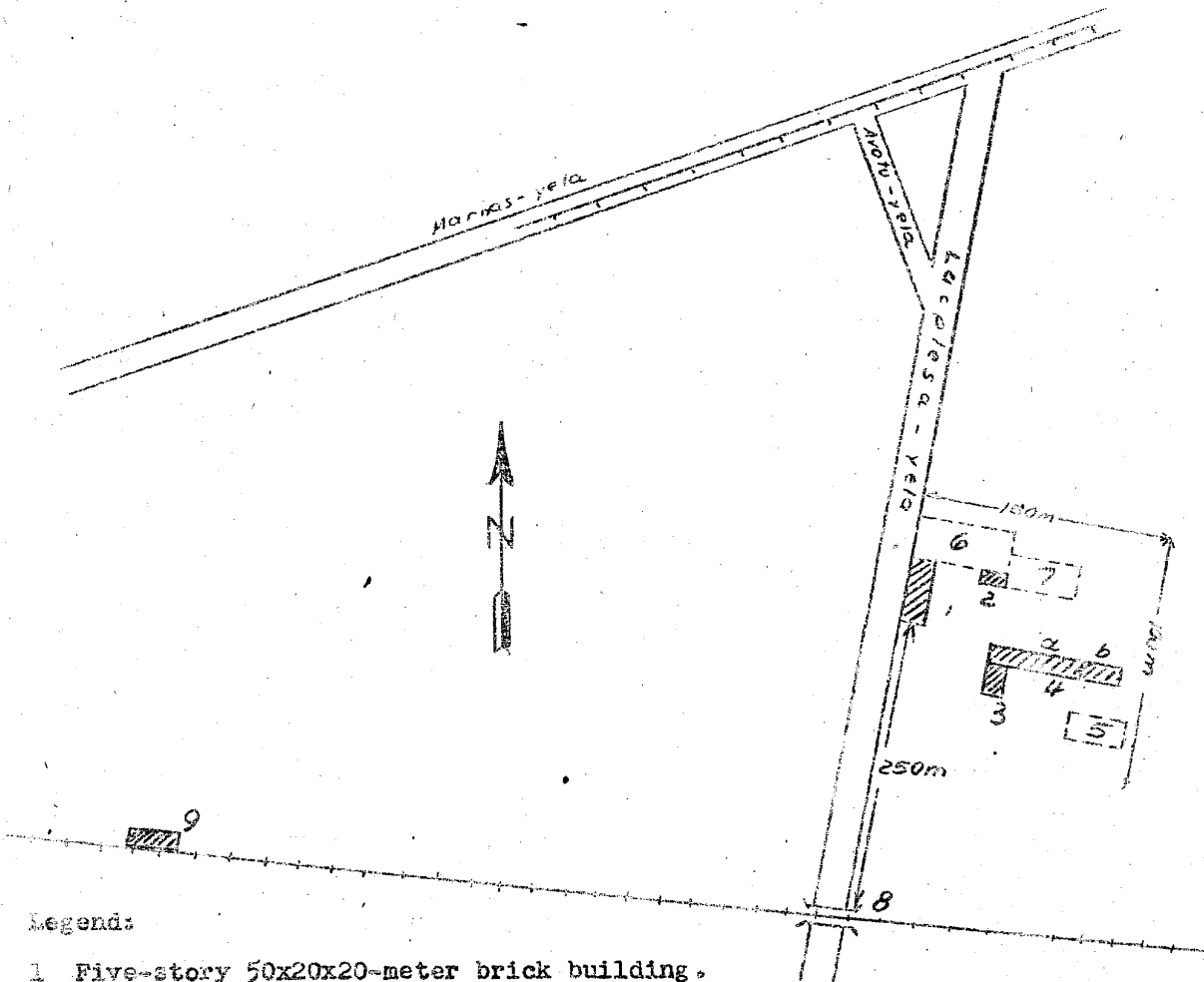
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Annex

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LAYOUT Sketch of the meteorological Equipment Plant in Riga

Legend:

- 1 Five-story 50x20x20-meter brick building.
Ground floor: Lathe department
Second floor: mechanical department
Third floor: Assembly
Fourth floor: Electric shops and offices
Fifth floor: Armatures department and storage facilities
- 2 Locksmith shop
- 3 Boiler house equipped with two coal-burning flue boilers,
a 15x10x15 brick building with a 25-meter brick smokestack
- 4 Brick building, 80x15x15 meters
a Production of trial balloons used for meteorological measurements
b Production of sheet metal boxes used for the packing of instruments
c Storage facilities for spare parts
- 5 Prospective site for garages
- 6 and 7 Workshops of the Lutnergo in Riga
- 8 Railroad overpass of the Riga-Duenaburg line
- 9 Riga main railroad station

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