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CPYRGHT The Launching Ceremony... of the Three Anshan  
Major Projects Held at Anshan

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The launching ceremony of the steel rolling mill, the seamless tubing mill and the No. 7 blast furnace of the Anshan Iron and Steel Company attached to the Ministry of Heavy Industry of the Central People's Government was formally held at Anshan, China's steel centre, on December 26, 1953. This marks a great event that the three projects, which were completed under the help and guidance of the Soviet experts and are the major ones of China's First Five-Year Plan, began their operation. The completion of these three major projects shows a remarkable success in the first year's construction work of the First Five-Year Plan of China.

Present at the launching ceremony were: Kao Kang, Vice-Chairman of the Central People's Government of China and Chairman of the State Planning Committee; Wang Ho-shou, Minister of Heavy Industry; Wu Hsiu-chuan, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs; other government leaders; the managers of the Anshan Iron and Steel Company and its famous model workers.

Also present at the launching ceremony were: I. F. Tevosyan, Vice-Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the U.S.S.R.; other guests of honor from Soviet Union; Academician P. F. Yudin, Soviet Ambassador to China; Soviet experts who have rendered help to the Anshan construction.

Captions for pictures:

42072. Kao Kang, Vice-Chairman of the Central People's Government and Chairman of the State Planning Committee, on behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Central People's Government and Chairman Mao Tse-tung, delivers a speech on the launching ceremonies of the steel rolling mill, the seamless tubing mill and the No. 7 blast furnace of the Anshan Iron and Steel Company.
42073. I. F. Tevosyan, Vice-Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the U.S.S.R. and Minister of the Metallurgical Industry of the U.S.S.R., delivers a speech on the launching ceremony of the three major projects of the Anshan Iron and Steel Company.

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42074. At the ceremony, Hao Kang, Vice-Chairman of the Central People's Government, on behalf of the Government Administration Council of the Central People's Government, presented certificates of gratitude and badges to Soviet experts who have helped the Anshan construction. Picture shows Vice-Chairman Hao Kang presenting a badge to a Soviet expert.
42075. At the ceremony, Wang Ho-shou, Minister of Heavy Industry of the Central People's Government, presented silver badges to model workers who have distinguished themselves with outstanding achievements in the construction of the three projects. Picture shows Minister Wang Ho-shou (standing left) presenting a silver badge to a model worker.
42077. Hao Kang, (front, first from left) Vice-Chairman of the Central People's Government and I.M. Tevosyan, (front, second from left) Vice-Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the U.S.S.R. and Minister of the Metallurgical Industry of the U.S.S.R., looking at the finished seamless tubes.

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