

to bridge the gap between the availability of a high-speed fleet and the requirements for passenger transportation, we would have to receive 3-4 "Poles'e" motor vessels a year, for the next two to three years. The Ministry of Inland Water Transport, however, coolly rejects all of our requests, pointing out the limited production of these vessels. For this reason, we are once again, through our newspaper, earnestly requesting that the Ministry reexamine its fleet supplying program taking our needs into consideration.

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(Full text)

On the Northern Route

Arriving in the roadstead of the Murmansk seaport was the second-to-last convoy of ships comprised of the "Kandalaksha" and "Kapitan Danilkin" motor ships, escorted by the nuclear ice-breaker "Rossiya". They delivered their usual cargo of products from the Norik'sk mining and smelting plant.

Along the Northern sea route connecting Murmansk and Dudinka the short spring "break" is drawing near. The reason for this is the approaching flood on the Yenisei. With the ice-cover now broken up, the mighty Siberian river will flood a vast territory in its lower reaches, including the moorings in the port of Dudinka. For this reason the Yenisei dockers are hurrying to unload the Murmansk ships which are moored there, including the motor ships "Kola", "Norik'sk", "Tiski" and others. Hundreds of containers filled with cargo and metal structures have to be removed from the moored