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Coal Exports Earn Currency for Construction of Diagnostic Centre at Yakutsk

During the current navigation season, the Lena United Steamship Line concluded an agreement on coal shipment with a joint Soviet-British enterprise known as "Pharus". Ship's crews have transported 80,000 tons of coal from the port of Zyryanka on the Kolyma River, and an equal amount from a mine at Dzhebariki-Khaya. All of these shipments were brought to the port of Osetrovo, where they were stored and are now being shipped to their destinations.

According to the agreement with "Pharus", delivery of this cargo is to be paid for in hard currency. The Lena River workers are applying this hard currency to financing the construction of a diagnostic centre in Yakutsk. It should be noted that the medical equipment for the centre is already arriving in Yakutsk through the port of Osetrovo. The equipment is being shipped by the Austrian firm "Polenski" - Zollne" [spelling uncertain (Tr.)]. In this way, the workers' collective of the Lena Steamship Line is making its contribution to creating the first diagnostic centre in the Far North. River workers will also be treated in this medical facility.

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