

this is just the right place for enterprising people with initiative and imagination. People who, having leased a plot of fallow land, or a deserted farm, can breathe new life into them. Who knows, we might then see small reindeer-farms, and smoking-sheds for the White Sea herring, and small, automatic cheese-makers and butter-churns, so that the milk wouldn't go to waste (it's a shame to admit this, but they used to give milk to the pigs because they couldn't deliver it anywhere fresh). There are lots of things a good business person could think of!

Let's figure it out and get down to business! Only make sure you don't do it the way one of the private operations in the Kandalaksha suburbs did, where they decided to breed rabbits and, as a result, "arrived" at a cost per kilo of rabbit meat of almost one hundred rubles. It's cheaper to breed antelope. Do at least what V.A. Belozarov, President of the Prigorodnyi State Farm, does, along with those who think like him. A month ago in Murmansk, their farm opened its own specialty store with a sign which had become a rare sight: "Meat", the first of its kind in the province. There was ham, brisket, smoked ribs... Naturally, everything was gone in an instant. The farm hasn't reached full production yet. However, it does promise fresh pork daily. What's in it for them? They plan to make 1.5 million rubles per year through the store.

Who knows? Perhaps this store in the Arctic is the first timid step in creating the first agrobusiness beyond the Arctic Circle. Especially in light of the fact that the processing of food produced on northern farms is still a difficult and urgent problem.