

Of course, the attracting of foreign firms could play an important role in solving the problem since this, in particular, would facilitate the task of securing production plant. A number of foreign firms possessing relatively small amounts of capital and counting on obtaining a rapid return on money invested are again expressing a willingness to collaborate with us.

In short, the time has long since come when we should give very careful thought to the creation of an extensive network of small enterprises for the output of paper products, which would work with local sources of raw materials. We have finally begun to realize that our passion for large "projects of the century" has not always yielded the needed results. Our wise forebears loved to say "Small is golden". It would pay us to heed these words more often.

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Exhausted Timber Resource Base in  
Western Urals Causes Curtailment of Paper Production

The Kama Pulp and Paper Combine in the Perm Oblast produces paper for books and magazines - a commodity in extremely short supply. It is exactly a year since one of its machines, with a production capacity of 25,000 tonnes, had to be shut down due to lack of raw material and wood pulp.

Altogether during the past year, stoppages of the papermaking machinery have caused a loss to the Combine of 61 thousand tonnes of paper, including 53 thousand tonnes because the supply of fibre for its machines was discontinued.