project's shortcomings all through the five year construction period. One after the other they completed phases of the project and poured all the funds which had been allocated, about four million roubles, into the work, down to the last kopeck.

They installed both an automatic sprinkling system and a conveyor for fertilizer, but none of this automated equipment ever functioned, not even for one day. The local specialists couldn't get any of it going. In spite of all this, one of the organizations involved calmly handed over the work, with all its faults, as ready for use, while another organization officially accepted it.

So there they stand, practically brand new, but already falling into disrepair. But in the shop, it turns out, they were selling vegetables which had been grown in the old, wooden hothouses. In point of fact, when the new import from the south appeared on the scene, they had been on the point of closing down these old buildings.

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