

of these inventions were put into practice. This had a noticeable effect upon the quality and reliability of the ship's systems and gear, and improved its technical capability."

V. Smirnov, Captain of "Sevmorput:"

"I must confess that the trial runs somewhat exceeded our expectations. Despite its immense size, the ship turned out to be very maneuverable and, what is surprising for its great length - manageable. True, its maneuverability decreases at slow and astern speeds. And for this reason I would suggest installing a thrust unit. Incidentally, I am not the first person to suggest this. The trial runs once more proved the necessity of its installation."

The trial runs also met up with rough weather. It was very important for us to know the effect of strong winds on the steerability and maneuverability of the ship with its great wind plane [= sail effect/wind resistance].

And so the ship's turning circles in both normal and rough weather were almost identical. "Sevmorput" is a biologically clean ship. In other words, it has many advantages..."

A. Sevast'yanov, first officer:

"The ship has good navigational qualities; its machinery functions stably. It poses absolutely no threat to the environment. Important are the various ways in which the ship may be loaded with lighters, containers and other cargo. "Sevmorput" has everything necessary for the normal conduct of work and daily life of the crew. Nevertheless, we