

do this we will have to put operations in the Combine in smooth running order in the shortest possible time. This, in turn, depends on whether we receive our raw materials on time. To an even greater extent it depends on the ability of the ministries of river and rail transport to coordinate their activities."

The Balakhna papermakers certainly have a right to complain. The rolling stock arrives at the Combine in dribs and drabs. Less than half of the cars meet the specifications set for transporting paper.

The Combine is incurring considerable losses as a result. So far this year alone it has run up a fine of 58,000 roubles for paper spoilage. Last year's fines amounted to 400,000 roubles. The Combine could easily end up paying a million roubles by the end of the Twelfth Five-Year Plan.

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Balakhna Paper Shipped by River

Customers of the Balakhna Pulp and Paper Combine receive most of their goods by rail. Quite a lot of paper, however, is shipped each year by river shipping organizations. During the current navigation season, for example, the Combine has already shipped more than 4,000 tonnes of its products along the Volga River to Moscow, Kazan', Saratov, Rostov and other cities. Approximately 45,000 tonnes of paper still remain to be shipped.