above to supply the mill with pure sawlogs, the neighboring woodworking combine is burning 150,000 cubic meters of wood waste annually. Most of this waste could be fed to the digesters. The loggers are not at all concerned that they are supplying the Pulp and Paper Combine with unsorted chip which includes both pine and aspen, and a wildly excessive amount of bark. They don't care that the papermakers must therefore add large amounts of chemicals not called for in the plan.

It is high time to do away with this thoughtless wastefulness and to think seriously about rebuilding the unique forest chemicals complex, which operated in the regional center in the 1960s. Only in this way will it be possible to stop the taiga from becoming depleted. Only in this way can the regional timber industry become efficient.

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Seedling Pots Made From Pulp Fiber

Workers from the Pitkyarantka Pulp Mill have found a useful application for wood fiber wastes. They have begun to make small seedling pots out of them. The pots are convenient in that the plant can later be transplanted into the earth in its own container. The covering make out of pulp fibers disintegrates easily in the damp soil and serves as a good fertilizer. Local gardeners and vegetable plot