

project because of the oil sites being developed. Our means are extremely limited. We have discussed this fact on several occasions with the managers of the Vorkutin department and the Northern Land road but to date there have been no improvements."

It is actually very difficult to get to Usinsk by train. Judge for yourselves. Two coaches arrive here daily from Moscow - a sleeping car and a regular coach. Both are full to capacity.

It is difficult to imagine what it is like in the summer. True, they've added on an extra car from Adler, but this is only a drop in the bucket. So, once again, industry comes first and the needs of the people come second. The situation is even harder to comprehend now that the department has become self-supporting. The profit issue is a fundamental one and there are masses of people just waiting to give the railway their money. I would like to believe that this problem will not become one of our permanent ones. The entire existence of polar Usinsk rests on expectations - expectations of bringing in much oil, expectations of big things to come."

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Trains Expected To Travel Across Yamal

The builders of the Arctic Labytnangi-Bovanenkovo main rail line have reached an important milestone. The tracklayer has reached the settlement of Yamto, the first station of the new railway.