

People are now enthusiastically talking about shifting the book publishing organizations over to the profit-and-loss accounting system (khozraschet). Workers in these organizations are eagerly giving interviews to radio, television and the press. But it is not clear from what they have said, what changes will take place on the book market. There are still grounds for fearing that the book trade will remain as before, full of unsaleable books, and that the papermakers will continue to make timber into waste paper, which, by the way, is also not recycled as much as it should be.

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Changes in Financial Transactions at the All-Union  
Scientific Research Institute for the Pulp and Paper  
Industry

The All-Union Scientific Research Institute of the Pulp and Paper Industry fulfilled 101.4% of its plan for scientific research in 1987. This work resulted in economic gains of more than 25 million roubles, or one million more than in 1986. A profit of 900,000 roubles was obtained by means of reducing expenditure on the production of scientific research developments. We completed all the contract work undertaken. We have no debts and did not have to pay any fines.

The Institute shifted over to the full profit-and-loss accounting (khozraschet) system in January. Our scientific work has now become a "product" and is sold at prices agreed upon between the Institute and its clients.