

## WHEN FORCES ARE UNITED

The past year has proved to be difficult for the forest complex of Karelia. Life really put its strength and viability to the test. On the one hand, it rained continuously all fall and there were no frosts so that owing to the lack of roads the move to the winter felling sites was delayed. On the other hand, the auxiliary industries let them down. The enterprises experienced a continual acute shortage of railway cars, diesel fuel and gasoline, integrated logging technology and building materials.

Nevertheless, "Karellesprom" finished the year quite well. It redistributed manpower and resources and developed ways for the collectives to come to each other's assistance. The association overcame many difficulties and crossed new frontiers. In particular, it managed to increase the volume of output and sales of finished products to the level of former years, despite the overall decrease in logging volumes by 377,000 cubic meters, and to raise labor productivity by 6%. Deliveries of export lumber, paper bags, parquet and paper were increased.

The most important indices of the State plan were met. Consumers received in full the standardised houses, garden sheds, furniture, rosin, skis, toys, cardboard, newsprint, consumer goods, etc. The increase in output amounted to 26 million roubles.

The economic indices have improved since the creation of the complex and the transition to self-financing. The majority of the enterprises have increased their profitability and the logging enterprises have cut their losses. The association