We can continue Viktor Fedorovich's story. At the BAM capital, the long-awaited Wedding Palace will throw open its doors. Tynda, with its number of weddings and births, can in every way compete with the cities of Central Asia.

A new abode also awaits the BAM workers' children: they will take over a fine Pioneer camp with swimming pools - two for summer and one for winter. This complex, including a club, a dormitory, and games pavilions, is being built at Bestuzhev, near Tynda.

The railroad workers, too, will have their holiday. The Tynda Roundhouse, the largest and best-equipped in the Far East, will go into full operation this year.

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The Fruits of the Railroad

R. Dydyshko, Chief Scientific Officer, VNIIZHT, Tynda-Moscow, summed up the role assigned to the Baikal-Amur Main Line in opening up the region, in a short Latin phrase: "A road is life". Building a main line under conditions here, however, does not mean that the whole thing is completed. The line must be brought to the state where it can bear traffic. Why do we put the question this way?

Imagine a "mar'" [a shallow, often hummocky, bog]. A swamp that is not just a swamp, but also has