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An Oasis in Antarctica

The little house of the Soviet antarctic expedition in the stony Banger oasis, one hundred kilometres from the shore of Mawson's Sea, has again come to life. The first landing party of researchers was brought here by helicopter from the expeditionary research vessel "Akademik Fedorov". They have resumed operation of the seasonal station.

The Banger oasis is the second largest stony wasteland on the icy continent. At present, hydrological and biological observations are the first ones to be undertaken. In particular, scuba divers must collect information on the interaction between the fresh-water lakes within the oasis, and salty sea water, which are connected through a narrow bay underneath the ice shelf.

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