

OIL AND GAS

Currency for Petroleum Industry Workers

The Tyumen' petroleum industry workers have gotten a good start: since the beginning of the year they have extracted more than 20 million tons of hydrocarbon resources from the Earth's interior in Western Siberia. The collectives of the "Surgutneftegaz," "Yurganskneftegaz," and "Purneftegaz" combines are working at high productivity and surpassing the daily assignments. And the industrial workers of Noyabr'sk, Kogalym and Nizhnevartovsk are keeping up with them.

This gives us confidence that the state production order for the year - 375 million tons of oil - will not only be fulfilled, but even substantially exceeded.

There are good grounds for making favourable forecasts. During the past turbulent months the influence of the trade unions and the Komsomol has become stronger and the other public organizations have functioned more actively.

The socialist competition has taken on a different role. Whereas formerly the names of the leading drillers burned like unattainable stars, while others remained in the shade, today a mass movement has developed for the purpose of ensuring that all 400 drilling brigades of the Glavtyumenneftegaz (Main Administration of the Tyumen' Petroleum and Gas Industry) attain the productivity of such illustrious masters as V. Sidoreyko and S. Anan'yev.