CONSTRUCTION

Is Leonid Nesterchuk To Blame?

Last year, Tyumenstroi, a construction organization, failed to complete 10,000 square metres of housing in the region between Tyumen-Surgut-Novyi Urengoi on time. The same delays in new housing construction were true at Purpe, Pur, and Korotchaevo stations. The same situation has arisen at various construction sites this year.

"Tyumenstroi is not performing well. I have the impression that L. Nesterchuk, the head of the organization, isn't running things right", said V. Narbutik, deputy head of the Sverdlovsk Railway Line, pointing to figures illustrating the failure to use the means available to build housing, heating plants, schools, and other facilities needed by communities in the Soviet North.

The facts are disturbing, but in themselves they do not explain anything. There are other figures, too. Let us take this one, for example: the supply of bricks to construction sites. Only 18 million out of the 46 million bricks needed annually are delivered to construction crews. This is the cause of the constant delays on sites, leading to late completion of construction projects. In order to partially make up for the grossly inadequate supplies, sub units of Tyumenstroiput' traded bricks for wood in Moldavia, Kazakhstan, and other parts of the country. This year alone, mobile construction units nos. 329 and 269 based in Noyabrsk obtained 250,000 and 120,000 bricks respectively - materials needed for the construction of projects within the total building plan.