

As for the author's remarks about the sizes of the currency deductions for supplying the paper, these are determined by government ordinances and regulations and their implementation is mandatory.

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Non-Arrival of Railway Cars Presents a Threat to
Newsprint Production at Kondopoga

The giant papermaking concern "Kondopogabumprom" is threatened with a shutdown. More than 6,500 tonnes of newsprint waiting to be shipped out have accumulated in warehouses and production areas due to the non-arrival of railway cars.

In October the papermakers were undersupplied to the extent of 150 cars. In the first few days of November the situation has worsened. On November 3rd alone, 90 cars failed to arrive. For the first time in many years deliveries of paper for export have been disrupted. The situation has become critical.

"Unless 80 cars arrive in the next day or two, the situation will get out of control and the papermaking machines will be shut down", stated the