

sea, where she was carefully manoeuvred among the drifting icebergs. For ten days the elements rendered this large-scale transport operation very difficult. No sooner had the weather calmed down, then the "Mikhail Somov" found herself once more moored off the Lazarev shelf-glacier barrier, where she proceeded with her unloading operations.

We went on with the helicopter-transport operation begun earlier, carrying the men, the scientific equipment and vegetables, including potatoes, off to the oasis. For almost a whole day and night the seamen worked in friendly accord with the polar men and with the helicopters, piloted by S. Maslov and A. Erokhin, to deliver approximately thirteen hundred tonnes of equipment, gear, provisions and diesel fuel to the men newly stationed there. They unloaded thirty-tonne caterpillar tractors and such heavy-weight items as diesel generators, building elements and construction and airport machinery.

The men at Novolazerev Station are carrying out comprehensive and extensive aerometeorological, geophysical, glaciological and other research. In collaboration with the German specialists they have also developed and are carrying out a new and unique programme to study the ozone.

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Scientists from various countries are carrying out research in Antarctica for the benefit