

A unique indication of the rapid growth of Beloyarsk, the youngest town in the Tyumen' north, will be furnished by the opening here at once of two new passenger lines. Motorboats of the "Zarya" type will link the Tobol'sk river port with Sergino and Igrim. And in the Yamal' - Nenets Autonomous District, in turn, a new high-speed line will open between Salekhard and Lopkhari.

"Our short-term plans call for the opening of the first river passenger line north of the Arctic Circle, namely, Salekhard--Yar-Sale. We intend to send 'Meteors' to the centre of Yamal' district," said N. Starikov, head of passenger service in the Ob'Irtysh Steamship Line. "It should be pointed out that last year 'Meteors' from Tobol'sk successfully travelled from Salekhard beyond the Arctic Circle to the settlement of Aksarka, the centre of Priural'skyi district. The first experiment was successful and economically profitable, so we must build upon it."

In the 1990 cruise season the river transport workers are also planning to organize cruises on the General Karbyshev and Tobol motorvessels along the Irtysh and Ob' with foreign tourists on board.

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### Nuclear Powered Ships: Survey of Public Opinion in Murmansk

The base of the world's largest civilian atomic fleet is located within the city limits of Murmansk. Until the tragedy at Chernobyl' and the loss of the Komsomolets submarine, the base did not particularly worry the townfolk. Now, however, the atomic fleet is under the watchful eye of the public.