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General Harvest - Tyumen'

Machine operators on most of the farms in the Zavodoukovskiy Region in the District of Tyumen' are now completing the cereal harvest. No more than 100,000 hectares remain to be harvested. Each hectare is yielding an average of just over two centners of grain more than last year. Over 600 leased collectives are taking part in the harvest. This has made it possible for the first time to reduce the number of city dwellers participating in the harvest by half, and to avoid taking students away from their studies.

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"What has 'the Mirror' Reflected?"

Weather reports are like a mirror reflecting both disorder in heaven [literally, rain torrents from heaven]* and one's own disorganization. Half of all crops in the farms of the Territory have crumpled. Their ripening was delayed by two weeks. In the meantime, the Sayany mountains are already threatening September snowfall. Last year more than a hundred thousand hectares of grain disappeared under snow. The present situation is no better: there was practically no summer, it was as though