

But is the situation really that complicated? Lets look at the figures again. Each year the Irkutsk and Krasnoyarsk loggers receive 110 VM-4As. This is equivalent to 35 LP-19s and 80 LP-18s. Surely we should be able to come up with this small amount if we do some digging around the Ministry. The Abakan Mechanical Plant should simply be transferred over to the production of feller-bunchers. The same thing should be done at the Krasnoyarsk Timber Industry Machine Building Plant, which now produces grapple loaders. As has been mentioned before, it would be better to list the LP-18 among loading technology.

In any case the engineers cannot escape from the necessity of increasing production of manipulator-type multi-unit machines. Any delay here could result in a freeze in the further development of mechanized logging operations.

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Latvia: Reliable Supplies of Export Timber

The "Kursa" Timber Industry Production Association has exported more than 1,500 cubic metres of high-quality pine and birch timber since the beginning of the year. The Association intends to buy imported equipment with the foreign currency it has received in exchange.

Organizations that utilize timber in the Latvian USSR have also not been stinted. They received all the assortments arranged for in their