

## FORESTRY

### The Urals - Increased Emphasis on Mechanized Planting

The Uralians are waiting for warm spring weather in order to begin the sowing and planting out of new trees. During the current year the Sverdlovsk Forestry Association must plant out 12,000 hectares. A third of the work will be done mechanically.

The Uralian foresters are actively promoting the use of industrial technology for planting out large timber trees (by means of the LMD-81 machine). The new technology is more efficient. The forest farms have received eight more Davidenko machines this year, as well as six MUP-4 units for sawing up stumps.

In order to have sufficient large-diameter planting material, there has been a twofold increase in the number of transplant nurseries. Whereas last year 8 million "large trees" were grown, this year there are to be 15 million.

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### Large-Scale Plantings in the Mugan' Steppe Region

The foresters of the Mugan' are reviving the beauty of the riparian forests at the confluence of the Kura and Araks rivers. The collective of the local forest farm, which is engaged in large-scale plantings of acclimatized species of trees, has already planted out about 50,000 saplings.