

Merciful Explosion

The scientists of Yakutia have developed a new explosive. Unlike the traditional ones, it does not destroy an ore body, but simply loosens it up, leaving all the rock components whole.

The use of this new explosive will cut the cost of blasting by one half, and will improve the quality of the product considerably. Specialist came to this conclusion after testing these "merciful" explosions.

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Coal Production Up at Inta Mine

Competition, in honour of the 19th All-Union Party Conference, is becoming more intense among the miners of the sub-polar town of Inta. Yesterday, they extracted the 100,000th tonne of coal in excess of planned requirements since the beginning of the year. The Inta mine has shown the best results; it has exceeded the plan by 50,000 tonnes.

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