

June 25th, 1977

USSR SUPREME SOVIET SESSION

Deputies-participants of the sixth session of the USSR Supreme Soviet of the ninth convocation arrived in Moscow from all Republics of our country. The session took place at the time of preparations for the celebration of the 60th anniversary of Great October, of the wide discussion of the Draft of the new Constitution of the USSR, of the still stronger unity of people with the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, its Leninist Central Committee. The session was opened by deputy Shitikov, Chairman of the Soviet of Unions. Deputy Suslov, Member of the Politbureau of the CPSU CC, Secretary of the CPSU CC, spoke on the first item of the Agenda. (SOF) "The Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR and the Councils of Elders of the Soviet of the Union and the Soviet of Nationalities of the Supreme Soviet are submitting for your consideration a proposal to elect Leonid Ilyich Brezhnev, General Secretary of the CPSU CC to the post of the President of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR. Leonid Ilyich enjoys the boundless confidence and affection of our Party and the Soviet people. The election of L.I. Brezhnev, General Secretary of the CPSU CC, to the post of the President of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet meets the supreme interests of Soviet society and the state and will promote new successes in the building of communism." The Decree about electing L.I. Brezhnev, President of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet is adopted unanimously. The floor is given to L.I. Brezhnev, General Secretary of the CPSU CC, President of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet. L.I. Brezhnev expressed deep gratitude to the deputies for the great trust placed in him - his second election as President of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet. He assured the deputies that he would devote all his energy to achieve the great goals at this historic stage of advancing towards Communism. In conclusion L.I. Brezhnev said: (SOF) "I shall do everything in my power to help my beloved land grow stronger and more prosperous, make the Soviet people's life even better and better, strengthen the peace of the world and promote good cooperation among peoples."

A report on the item on the Agenda of the Session about measures towards the further improvement of protection of forests and the rational use of forests was delivered by deputy Nuriyev, Deputy Chairman of the USSR Council of Ministers. In their speeches the deputies fully approved and supported the proposed measures towards the protection of national forests. The Supreme Soviet of the USSR unanimously adopted the Fundamentals of Forestry Legislation of the USSR and of the Union Republics.

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INTEGRATION IN DEED NO 23

The construction of the largest in Europe earth gas pipe-line is in full swing. The length of the pipe-line from Orenburg to the Western borders of the USSR is 2,750 km. 28 billion cubic meters of gas will pass through the pipe-line annually, from which over 15 billion will be received by enterprises of fraternal Socialist countries. In accordance with the complex Program of Socialist Economic Integration the project is carried out by all European countries-members of CMEA. The builders from these countries have taken high labour obligations in honour of the 60th anniversary of Great October. Polish builders have taken an obligation to complete work at their section of the pipe-line 10 months ahead of schedule - by 7th of November. Hungarian experts have begun the construction of a gas compressor station. Soviet workers have begun insulation work at the section of Carpathian foothills. From here through the Carpathian mountains and to the Western border. Next year the "Line of friendship" is to be put into operation.

SPORT

The 12th European Championship in Gymnastics for men was held in Vilnius. Representatives from 20 nations competed for the Gold Medals of Champions of the Continent. The performance of a schoolboy from Bulgaria Stoyan Delchev on the bars was met with applause. Soviet gymnasts demonstrated high skill and articism. Alexandr Tkachev on the rings. Absolute Champion of the USSR Vladimir Markelov. His excellent performance in all six events of the program won him the title of Absolute Champion of Europe. Alexandr Tkachev was second, Vladimir Tikhonov - third.

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#### POLAR NAVIGATION

A bold experiment was carried out by Soviet seamen - the early opening of navigation in Polar latitudes. The voyage of the caravan of vessels towards Yamal Peninsula was undertaken not only for the purpose of delivery of goods. There was a more important purpose - to prove the possibility and economic efficiency of winter and spring navigation in the Arctics. At this time of the year the ice-bound sea may well serve as a moorage. Constant control of the condition of ice was carried out by a special group of hydrologists. 36,000 tons of building materials, equipment and machines were delivered to the Yamal Peninsula. The possibility of a considerable prolongation of the navigation period on the North Sea Route has been proved.

#### "MARAT"

Almost every inhabitant of Tallin knows the shop of the "Marat" Textile Enterprise. There is always a large selection of knitwear in the shop. Great attention at "Marat" is paid to the improvement of quality of knitwear. The best sewing team headed by Ellen Neidala produces all knitwear with a sign of Quality. The team has fulfilled the plan of the first half of the year ahead of schedule and has pledged to fulfill the annual plan by the 7th of November.

#### MOTOCROSS

An International Motocross for the "Cup of Friendship" was held near Vinnitsa. Sportsmen from seven Socialist countries participated - from Bulgaria, Hungary, the GDR, Poland, Rumania, USSR and Czechoslovakia. In two events personal and team victory was gained by the Soviet drivers.

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