

## Production Reports

Coal Output Pledge: The miners of Dorog have pledged to produce 6,000 tons of coal above plan for the fourth quarter and thus to reach the year's target by 18th December. They will produce 55,000 tons of coal above plan for the whole year. (Budapest 17.00, 5.10.57)

Light Industry's Plan Fulfilment: The Ministry of Light Industry announced that its factories had exceeded the third quarter's plan by 10.5 per cent. In September the Light Industry's output exceeded the September 1956 figure by 18.7 per cent. (MTI 4.10.57)

Plan Fulfilment in Food Industry: The food industry exceeded its plan for the third quarter by 6.3 per cent and production in the third quarter of last year by 1.5 per cent. In the present quarter, the population can expect satisfactory supplies of meat, fats, bakery and dairy products in particular. In view of the good sugar-beet crop, there will be much more sugar on sale than originally estimated. (MTI 11.10.57)

New Ring Furnace at Sztalinvaros: The biggest mixing furnace (keveroe kemence) in the country, with a capacity of 600 tons of pig-iron, has been completed at the Danube Iron Works. The crude iron from the smelting works will from now on be mixed to a standard quality (atlagesitani) in this ring furnace. This will provide the open-hearth furnaces with iron at an even temperature and of standard consistency. (Budapest 21.00, 10.10.57)

New Surgical Apparatus: The first electrical apparatus for the diagnosis of brain diseases to be built at the Budapest Medical Instrument works has been completed. (Budapest for Hungarians in W Europe 19.00, 8.10.57)

## International Economic Relations

Tube Mill for China: A contract has been signed with the CPR for the delivery by July 1961 of a complete tube mill by the Csepel Works. The mill will be similar to the Csepel Works' own tube mill and will be designed in Hungary. In exchange, China will deliver "several thousand dollars' worth of goods". The contract was signed for Hungary by Ferenc Hegyi, deputy manager of the Csepel works. (Budapest 03.30, 4.10.57)

Foreign Tenders for Electric Engines: The "Nikex" foreign trade enterprise has been instructed to buy 34 electric railway locomotives for use on the Budapest-Miskolc line. For the first time since the liberation, "Nikex" will invite international tenders for this order. (Budapest 21.00, 10.10.57)

Soviet-Hungarian Rail Talks: A mixed Soviet-Hungarian committee on frontier rail traffic sat in Debrecen from 1st to 4th October. An agreement will be signed at the end of the talks. (MTI 4.10.57)

New Coins: One and two forint pieces bearing the new crest of the Hungarian People's Republic were put into circulation on 10th October. The old coins also remain valid. (MTI 9.10.57)