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BULGARIA

INDUSTRY

Consumer goods
Others

AGRICULTURE

Tractor stations
Sovkhoz

COMMUNIST PARTY

Personalities

SOURCE MUNICH: No information available

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The following information concerns the Bulgarian town of DOBRICH (now TOLBUKHIN.)

DOBRICH has a tile factory, a furniture factory, and a knitting factory each employing from 100 to 200 workers. It has a leather goods industry, two vegetable oil plants (combined daily production 7,500 kilograms) and two textile mills (800 to 1,000 workers each.) It has also a large MTS station and a vast grain elevator where wheat is stored until exported to the USSR. Storage and shipping operations are under the direction of 10 to 12 Soviet officials; the elevator itself is under 24-hour guard by armed Bulgarian patrols.

Outside the town, some 600 to 700 families, despite almost unanimous opposition, have been forced to join the state farm (Georgi Dimitrov) or the collective farm (Katusha.) Trudovaks, soldiers, and some political prisoners likewise work on the state farm, without remuneration, so that it is in much more prosperous condition than the collective.

The three most hated Communists in DOBRICH are STOIKOV Georgi, PANTELEEV Stefan and MINCHEV Nicolai.

EVAL. COMMENT: correct. The MTS station and elevator are confirmed, the rest is UNCONFIRMED.