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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC FORGES FORWARD UNDER STABLE REGIME

[By Associated Press] PUERTO PLATA, Dominican Republic—Extensive repairs on the Dominican Central Railroad, connecting this port with Santiago, in the heart of the rich Cibao country, have been commenced in accordance with the desire of the military government to have transportation between these points brought up to a satisfactory basis.

Tons of tobacco and coffee and cacao, the accumulation of a year, remain unmoved at Santiago while there has been practically no freight moved inland by rail from here since August. The railroad, owned by the Republic, has for years operated at infrequent and uncertain intervals.

Changes to Reduce Grade
 The engineers are now working on two deviations from the present route which will reduce the grade from twelve per cent to a maximum of three per cent. These grade reductions will eliminate the necessity for racks, which heretofore, have been used, and will make traffic both quicker and more certain. The locomotives and rolling stock also are to be put in usable condition and when these changes and repairs are made it is expected that the road will be in more servicable condition than at any time since the construction.

Only on one or two occasions has the road ever been operated profitably and then not for long periods. Generally it has been a heavy expense to the government when it was in operation and long periods of idleness due to revolutionary operations have made repair and upkeep charges heavy.

Other Improvements Commencing
 Other extensive improvements are in course of construction here and with a stable government are expected to rush to completion without unnecessary delay. The new 400-foot wharf which the government is building at a cost of \$150,000 is well under way and when completed will be the finest harbor improvement in the Republic. In addition to the wharf a new custom house to cost \$50,000, is to be built at the entrance of the dock. The dock is to be 414 feet long and ships drawing not more than 20 feet of water can come up along either side.

Engineers are at work on the development of a hydro-electric project on the Yaque river, near Santiago, which when completed will furnish electricity for Santiago, Moca, La Vega and Puerto Plata, the four principal cities of the Cibao and north coast. With the exception of San Pedro de Macoris and Santo Domingo City Santiago and Puerto Plata are the only cities in the Republic now having electric lighting service.

Other public improvements that are to be immediately undertaken include the rebuilding of bridges on the road from Santiago to Monte Cristi. Seven

bridges on this highway were burned by the revolutionists last spring to check the advance of United States Marines.

American Occupation Helped
 In the southern part of the island work has been commenced on a road to be on several projects. Bids have been asked for the building of the first sixteen kilometers. This road will also connect with one now under construction from Macoris to Hato Mayor, a distance of twelve kilometers.

The foundation of a new \$50,000 customs house at Santo Domingo City has already been laid and work on the new municipal building in the capital, which has been almost ten years in building and which has been interrupted frequently by revolutions, has been resumed and the building probably will be occupied within six months. Other projects, including the erection of several government buildings to take the place of rented quarters, are being planned now that a stop has been put to revolutions and with the continuance of order throughout the country, funds are being made available for many large public and private projects.

Since the American occupation there have been many inquiries regarding lands and large tracts have been bought up in the Cibao chiefly for the growing of tobacco while in the Southern part of the Republic much land is being purchased to be planted to sugar cane. Several large investments of Porto Rican capital have been made chiefly sugar lands while the same interests have made preliminary plans for the establishment of a bank in the capital with a branch at Macoris.

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TO TEACH COOKING AS IT IS DONE BY COOKS OF UNITED STATES ARMY

[By Associated Press] DENVER Colo.—The Housewives' League is to show its members and other women of Denver how to cook as the cooks of the United States Army understand the culinary art.

A class of army cooking has been arranged, Mrs. Charles H. Jacobson, president of the league announced, and the manual for army cooks, supplied by the United States government, will be used as a text-book.

Instead of portions for four or six or the number of the ordinary family, the women will learn how to cook for sixty or 100 persons and how to prepare appetizing dishes from the dried and canned foods that are the soldiers' portion.

"And if war doesn't come" said Mrs. Jacobson, "and we don't become army cooks, after the course we will be able to better prepare for church socials and banquets."

Mrs. A. G. Fish will have charge of the first class. It is planned that each person who takes the course shall agree to instruct a subsequent class of ten women so that all in Denver may have the opportunity to learn government culinary methods and economy in preparation of food.

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