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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO IMMIGRANTS TRAVELING TO SIBERIA AND THE FAR EAST IN 1930–1950^s

The article addresses the issue of organizing medical assistance for peasant immigrants traveling from the territory of Mordovia to Siberia and the Far East in the late 1930s and 1950s. The study is based on the documents from the Central State Archive of the Republic of Mordovia, Saransk (F. 473), which have never previously been used in a research. The analysis of published and archival data showed that it was obligatory to provide medical personnel to support families sent to Siberia by train or waterway. It was demonstrated that, despite the shortcomings, the state was able to provide medical care to migrants en route and prevent epidemics from spreading beyond the Urals during the Great Patriotic War and the post-war period.

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