

An aerial photograph of a wide, paved city street. On the left side, there is a long, multi-story building with a light-colored facade and many windows. The street is lined with green trees and grass. In the distance, more buildings and a few cars are visible. The sky is bright blue with scattered white clouds. The text "A brief excursus in the History of Kanash" is overlaid in the upper half of the image in a blue, outlined font.

“ A brief excursus in the
History of Kanash”



*Try to find a town on the planet
Which has always been in my heart
I'll tell you about my native town now
And you'll know that Kanash is the best!*

*Kanash is in the centre
of Chuvash Republic.
Chuvashia is a member
of Volga-Viatka
economic region in
Russia.*



*Chuvashia is also called
“the land of one hundred
thousand songs and a
hundred thousand
embroideries”*



The official date of the town's foundation is the 20th of August in 1920. On this day the station and the settlement "Shikhrany" was renamed in Kanash. The word "Kanash" comes from Chuvash language, and it means "Advice". This event was happened in honour of the Chuvash autonomous republic on the 24th June in 1920.





But the historians say that firstly our town was founded as a settlement "Shikhrary" in 1588 by the Chuvash man-Shakhran.



In early 90s of the 19th century Shirkrany was rich in oak forests. And the main part of the Chuvash people's life was farming, bee-keeping, cattle-breeding.

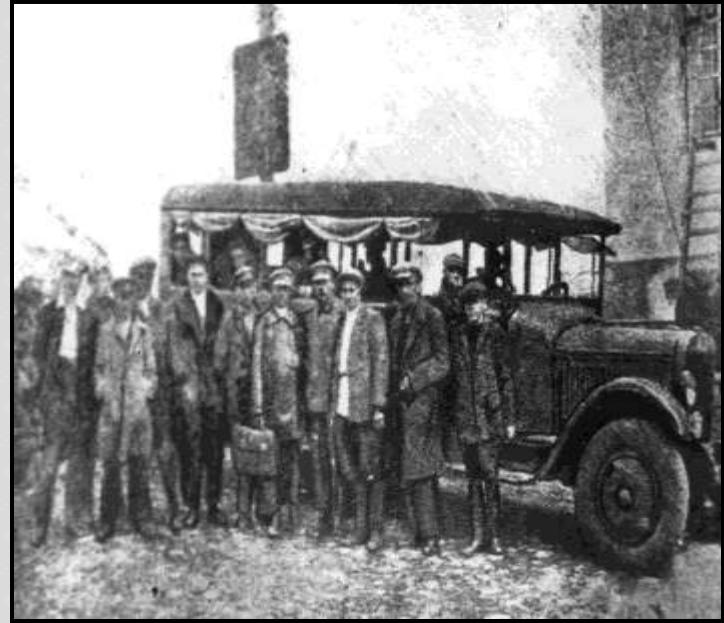




Through its years history Kanash has passed all the way from a small settlement of barracks, wooden log huts and slums with a very badly organized mode of life to a modern town with all its advantages and disadvantages.



The most difficult time for Kanash was the period of World War II. But people and the town itself overcome all the obstacles and great hardships. The monuments to the defenders, who lost their lives fighting against the Germans were erected in the centre of Kanash. And we also have a Victory square in our town.



Nowadays Kanash is an economical, political, social, educational and cultural centre with the industrial enterprises in machine-building and metal-working industries. The life of Kanash is very closely connected with the railway. Many railwaymen and railwaywoman live here. And it became a tradition to celebrate "Town's Day" and "The Day of Railwaymen" at the first Sunday of August.





Kanash is a very tree-lined town. The favourite place of citizens is the town's park. They come there with their families in summer for picnic for rest and skiing in winter.



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