

CLUB No. 480

### THE UNITED STATES

### OFFICERS'-CIVILIANS' OPEN MESS

OF BERLIN

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Harnack House

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APPETIZER WINES		glass	bottle
Prelude to a memorable meal			
Paul Masson Madeira (U.S.)		\$ .15	
Dry Don Sherry		.20	
Dubonnet		.20	
Martini & Rossi Sweet Vermouth		.15	
RED DINNER WINES	glass	bottle	1/2 bot.
Toast to a roast, any red meat or game			
Taylor New York State Lake Country Red		\$1.60	
Paul Masson Rubion or Pinot Noir (U.S.)		1.60	
Vieux Bordeaux (French)		1.20	
Chateauneuf du Pape (French)		2.50	
Chateau De Mont Patiz (Burgundy, French)		2.30	
Ruffino Chianti (Italian)		1.60	
Cotes du Rhone (French)			\$ .70
Beaujolais (French)		加加	1.60
WHITE DINNER WINES	glass	bottle	1/2 bot.
With a lighter dish, such as chicken or fish			
Paul Masson Emerald Dry (U.S.)		\$1.60	
Liebfraumilch "Madonna" (German)		1.80	
Bernkasteler Riesling (German)		1.30	
Ruffino White Chianti (Italian)		1.60	
Bordeaux Blanc (French)		1.00	

## Officers' - Civilians Open Mess BERLIN

CHAMPAGNES	bottle	1/2 bot.
The sparkling choice before, with or after meal		
Taylor New York State Sparkling Burgundy	\$2.60	
Paul Masson Brut Champagne (California)	2.50	
Moet & Chandon Champagne (French)	3.50	
Pommery & Greno Champagne (French)	3.00	
Chateau Gay Sparkling Wine (U.S.)	1.40	
Henkell Trocken (German Sekt)	3.00	
Ruttger's Club (German Sekt)	1.75	
DESSERT WINES	glass	bottle
Sweet and smooth with dessert or after meal	700 m	27.
Taylor New York State Port	\$ .15	
Sandeman 3 Star RP	.25	
Sandeman Amontillado Sherry	.25	
Gallo Cream Sherry	.10	
ROSÉ DINNER WINES		
Fresh and fragrant, delightful with any type food	bottle	1/2 bot.
Taylor New York State Rosé	\$1.60	
Mateus (Portuguese)	1.30	
Lancers (Portuguese)	2.00	
Bouquet de Provence (French)	1.30	

#### THE HARNACK HOUSE

(U.S. Army Officer's Open Mess, Berlin)

Berlin is a city of tragedies, a center of culture, a proud and beautiful metropolis. Few European cities have such dramatic histories, and none can boast of more magnificent architectural structures. What tales could be told by these buildings which have housed geniuses, withstood the ravages of war, and echoed with the sounds of cultural progress.

The Harnack House is one such distinguished structure. Named for the theologian and scientist, Adolf von Harnack, it was constructed in 1929 by the Kaiser Wilhelm Society, now called the Max Planck Society. Harnack was the society's first president. The building was used during the period from 1929-1941 as a guest house for such famous scientists as Max Planck, Fritz Haber, and Otto Hahn, who came to Berlin to do research work. Albert Einstein later served as president of the society, and it is believed that he delivered his first lectures on the "Theory of Relativity" in the Harnack House--probably in the Leibniz Room, located upstairs between the Mozart and Humboldt Rooms.

During the scientific period, the building contained lecture rooms, meeting halls, dining facilities and a gymnasium, as well as apartments and single rooms for the visiting scientists who gathered from all over the world. The buildings around the Harnack House were, primarily, part of the Kaiser-Wilhelm-Institute, and many were later taken over by the Free University of Berlin.

The Harnack House is mentioned in Cornelius Ryan's The Last Battle and in Albert Speer's Inside the Third Reich as a meeting place for the hierarchy of the Third Reich during the war. Fortunately, it escaped with little damage, and in the summer of 1945 the building was taken over by the American Forces. It was then used as a billet and club.

Since 1946, many distinguished American leaders have visited the Harnack House. Two Presidents, Harry S. Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower were among the most famous guests—Truman during the Potsdam Talks, and Eisenhower while serving as the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe.

Now the Harnack House has been renovated for use as one of the most beautiful and functional Officer's Clubs in Europe. It contains on the lower floors a dining room, kitchen, bar, beauty shop, reading room, game room and cashier's office. Upstairs are the rooms for meetings and receptions, a theater room, library room, 27 private rooms and three suites. Outside, the structure is flanked by a beautiful garden and three tennis courts.

# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS, BERLIN BRIGADE Officers'-Civilians' Open Mess, ECN 93 APO 09742

AEBAB-GA

17 December 1971

#### Dear Member:

With the coming of an Army wide prohibition on slot machines, the Harnack House finds itself in a difficult position since the machines have provided the clubs about \$4,000.00 in revenue every month. Additionally, increased wage costs and decreasing dollar values have added to the financial burdens of the club and our liquidity position has reached an all time low.

In order to compensate for the loss in revenue from the slot machines and to improve our cash position it has been necessary to raise the dues (see attached schedule). The increased dues will just about cover the loss of the slot machines. To cover the increase in labor and material costs some prices will have to be raised as soon as the President's economic policies allow it. Most drinks will go up a nickel and some food prices will increase.

There is one other thing we need to help club operations - your participation. If you have any suggestions on how to improve the club tell us or your unit representative on the Advisory Council. If you are dissatisfied by something tell your representative. If you receive bad service, cold food, or something the waiter cannot take care of, see the manager on duty so that we can take proper actions to insure that it does not happen again.

If you have any questions (or answers), suggestions or particular problems, don't fail to contact us.

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Carl W Samples

CW2, USA

Custodian, ECN 93

# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS, BERLIN BRIGADE OFFICERS:-CIVILIANS: OPEN MESS, ECN 93 APO 09742

AEBAB-GA 15 December 1971

SUBJECT: New Dues Structure Effective 1 January 1972

Military	State Dept.	DAC	Dues
GEN + COL	FSO/R 13 FSS 1	GS 14, 15	\$ 15.00
LTC	FSO/R 4 FSS 2	GS 13	\$ 13.00
MAJ	FSO/R 5 FSS 3	GS 11, 12	\$ 12,00
CPT WO4	FSO/R 6 FSS 4/5	GS 9, 10	\$ 10.00
WO3			\$ 9.00
1LT WO2	FSO/R 7 FSS 6/7	GS 8	\$ 8.00
2LT WO1	FSO/R 8 FSS 8/9/10	GS 7	\$ 7.00
Associate Members	3		\$ 15.00

### **DISPOSITION FORM**

(AR 340-15)

REFERENCE OR OFFICE SYMBOL

SUBJECT

"BE GOOD TO THE BOSS" NIGHT

TO

FROM

DATE

CMT 1

See Coordination

Deputy Committee

14 Sep 67

- 1. This is a once in a lifetime decision paper for deputies only.
- 2. PROBLEM: To determine whether the deputies should treat their bosses and wives to a "night out".
  - 3. FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM:
    - a. It has never been done before in Berlin to anyone's recollection.
    - b. They are not such bad "eggs" after all.
    - c. It should help the ER index.
    - d. The price will be reasonable.
    - e. The presence of everyone concerned is essential to success.
    - f. Suggested places available to hold this function are:
      - (1) Harnack House
      - (2) Wannsee Guest House
      - (3) Golf Course Club
- 4. DISCUSSION: a. The advantages to treat the bosses to a night out are too numerous and varied to mention. An evening as this is unprecedented and since there are so many newcomers, it would benefit new and old personnel to get better acquainted. Beside looking good on an efficiency report, i.e. "This officer does an outstanding job of wining and dining my wife and I and socializes well with senior and fellow officers alike", the boss is not too difficult to cope with after all.
- b. The disadvantage of involving "bread and milk" money would come hard to many people, however, considering the fare which would be prepared, cocktails, dinner and dancing, the entire evening should not exceed \$20.00 for the two persons the deputy and wife would be expected to bring.
- c. The location for the party would require a small and warm locale whose normal activities would not interfere with the activities of the party. In this regard, the Golf Course appears to be the ideal place.