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German Entertainment

Deutsche Staatsoper: (Friedrichstrasse 101-103)

Sat, May 25: "Tales by Hoffmann" Opera by Offenbach, 16:30
Sun, May 26: "Rigoletto" Opera by Verdi, 17:30
Mon, May 27: "Madame Butterfly" Opera by Puccini, 17:30

and
Tues, May 28
Wed, May 29: "Tiefeland" Opera by Eugen d'Albert, 17:00
Thurs, May 30: "Tales by Hoffmann", 16:30

Deutsches Theater: (Schumannstrasse 13 A)

Sat, May 25: "Colleague Crampton" Comedy by Gerhart Hauptmann, 17:30
Sun, May 26: "School for Women" Comedy by Moliere, 17:30
Mon, May 27: "The Snob" Comedy by Carl Sternheim, 18:00

and
Tues, May 28

Städtische Oper: (Kantstrasse, am Zoo)
Sun, May 26: Performance for British Troops "Simone Boccanegra", 14:30
Mon, May 27: "Martha" Opera by Friedrich v. Flotow, 17:30
Tues, May 28: "Simone Boccanegra" Opera by Giuseppe Verdi, 17:00
Wed, May 29: "The Bartered Bride" Opera by Smetana, 17:00
Thurs, May 30: Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, 18:00

Schlosspark Theater: (Steglitz, Wrangelstrasse)

Sat, May 25: "As You Like It" Comedy by Shakespeare, 17:30
Sun, May 26: "As You Like It", 14:30 and 17:30
Mon, May 27: "As You Like It", 17:30 through
Sat, June 1
Sun, June 2: "As You Like It", 14:30 and 17:30

Rheingau Theater: (Wilmersdorf, Berghheimer Platz 1)

Fri, May 24: "Storm in the Tea Cup" through
Thurs, May 30: 18:00

Renaissance: (Hardenbergstrasse 6, Am Knie)

Fri, May 24: "In The Wonderful Month of May", 17:30
and
Sat, May 25
Sun, May 26: "In The Wonderful Month of May", 15:00 and 17:30
Mon, May 27: "In The Wonderful Month of May", 17:00 through
Wed, May 29
Thurs, May 30: "In The Wonderful Month of May", 15:00 and 17:30
Sat, June 1: "Love, Spring and Love", 17:30

Tribüne: (Berliner Strasse 37, Am Knie)

Fri, May 24: "Eine Frau ohne Bedeutung", 18:00
Sat, May 25: "Versprich mir nichts", 18:00
Sun, May 26: "Versprich mir nichts", 14:30 and 18:00
Mon, May 27: "Versprich mir nichts", 18:00 through
Wed, May 29
Thurs, May 30: "Versprich mir nichts", 14:30 and 18:00

Hebbel Theater: (Stresemann Strasse 29)

Fri, May 25: "Judith" Tragedy by Friedrich Hebbel, 17:00
Sun, May 26: "Die Gewehre der Frau Carrar" ("The Weapons of Mrs. Carrar") play, 11:30
"Der Jasager" ("The Yes-man"), 17:00
Mon, May 27: "Liliom" by Ferenc Molnar, 17:00

and
Tues, May 28

Metropol Theater: (U and S-Bahn Schönhauser Allee)

Fri, May 24: "Pünktchen und Anton" a children's play for young and grown-ups, 11:00
Sat, May 25: "Ein Walzertraum" ("A Waltz Dream"), 17:00
Sun, May 26: "Ein Walzertraum", 13:00 and 17:00
Mon, May 27: "Pünktchen und Anton", 11:00; "Ein Walzertraum", 17:00
Tues, May 28: "Pünktchen und Anton", 11:00 and "Ein Walzertraum", 17:00
Wed, May 29: 17:00
Thurs, May 30: "Ein Walzertraum", 13:00 and 17:00

Jürgen Fehling Theater: (Zehlendorf, Berliner Strasse 8)

Sat, May 25, through Thurs, May 30: "Die Entführung aus dem Serail", Opera by Mozart ("The Abduction from the Seraglio"), 18:30
Fri, June 1, and Sat, June 2: "Vaudeville", 19:00

Palast: (Am Bahnhof Friedrichstrasse)

"25 Alberti Girls", 18:00, each day with additional performances Sat and Sun, 14:30
Kabarett der Komiker:
"Maibowle", 18:00, each day with additional performances Sun 14:00

Offenbach Theater: (Friedenau, Offenbacher Strasse 5)

"Der Vetter aus Dingsda", Operetta by Eduard Kuenneke, ("The Cousin from Nowhere"), 19:00 each day, Sun - Sat
Theater am Schiffbauerdamm:
Sun, May 26: "Hollenparade" ("Devil's Parade"), 15:00 and 18:00
Mon, May 27, through Sat, June 1: "Herzkonig" ("King of the Hearts"), 18:00

Rundfunkhaus: (Maschinenallee)

Thurs, May 29, and Sat, June 1: "Die schöne Helena" ("The Beautiful Helena"), Operetta by Offenbach, 19:00
Scala: (am Nollendorfplatz)
May-Program: Scala Show "Tanzende Scala" ("The Dancing Scala") and the Swiss movie "The Last Chance", 17:15, each day with additional performances on Wed, Sat and Sun 13:30

Brides Rush June Season



Miss Mary Frances Carey



Miss Dorothy Gaites



All Photos by Hempsey
Sgt. Paula Burns

A harbinger of June wedding bells and orange blossoms, three American couples here have announced their wedding dates for next week.

The military-church marriage ceremony of Miss Mary Frances Carey, SD civilian employed in the Office of the Director of Political Affairs, and Lt. W. DePew, Staff Signal Service, BD, will be performed by Chaplain M. E. Powers at the Sacred Heart Church at 5 p.m. on May 25th.

The bridesmaid will be Miss Dorothy C. Hughes, SD, OMGUS, of Orlando, Fla., and best man, Lt.

James L. Hicks, Atlanta, Ga., of the 78th Inf. Div. George W. Philipps, SD, OMGUS, from Los Angeles, Calif. will give the bride away.

Immediately after the ceremony, the wedding party and friends will attend a reception at the 3110th Club, after which the couple will depart for a 10-day honeymoon in England and Scotland.

In a simple ceremony at the Standesamt, Faradayweg, Miss Dorothy Gaites, WD civilian, Finance Division, OMGUS, and Thomas D. Wellington, OMGUS "Observer" staff member, will take their wedding vows on May 30.

Both the bride and groom-to-be are from New York City. They will live at 84A Am Fischthal.

WAC Sgt. Paula Burns, Memphis, Tenn. and S/Sgt. Wm. F. DeGrasse, Chicago, will be married at the Sacred Heart Chapel with Chaplain M. E. Powers officiating on June 1st.

The bride will be given away by Capt. Del S. Perkins, C.O., 1st. Battalion, Headquarters Regiment.

Sgt. Burns is Sergeant Major of the First and Second Battalions of Headquarters Regiment, and S/Sgt. DeGrasse is Headquarters Regimental Sergeant Major.

CONCERTS

Titania Palast: (Steglitz, Schlossstrasse)

Sun, May 26 at 10:30, and Mon, May 27: 18:30: Philharmonic Orchestra, Sergiu Celibidache, conductor, Program: 1. Nabokoff's "Parade", 2. Bruck's "Concert for Violin and Orchestra in G-Minor", 3. Beethoven's Symphony No. 6 in "F-Major" "Pastorale"

Marienkirche: (Neuer Markt, Alexanderplatz)

Sun, May 26: 16:00 Beethoven's "Missa" in "C-Major, Corelli's "Concert Grosso", "D-Major, Symphony Orchestra of Berlin
Sat, June 1: 17:00 Mendelssohn's "Elias" Prof. Dr. Georg Schumann, conductor

Rokosoaal: (Kaiserplatz)

Tues, May 28: 18:30 Cello Concert, Egon Jauch - cello, Isolde Brownally - piano

MOVIES

Sun, May 26, through Sat, June 1: Marmorhaus: (Kurfurstendamm) "A Place of One's Own" (British), 14:30, 17:00, 19:30

Astor: (Kurfurstendamm)

"On the Night of the Fire" (British), 14:00, 16:00, 18:00, 20:00

Filmhause Wien: (Kurfurstendamm)

"Opernball" (German), ("Ball After the Opera"), 14:30, 17:00, 19:30

Astor: (Movie Theatre, Kurfurstendamm 217)

Sun, May 26: 10:30 First Night Performance: "Musik und Bewegung" - "Music and Movement". A musical Educational and study-movie. Introduction by Alexander Truslit. Violoncello: Annlies Schmidt.

The movie is about basic questions of music formation and the laws of free and natural movement in music, dance, representing arts, language, sport, gymnastics and cure-gymnastics.

"My Sister Eileen" Comedy Is Cast

"My Sister Eileen" a three act play by Joseph A. Fields and Jerome Chodorov, a Broadway comedy, will be cast for immediate rehearsal by the American Little Theatre of Berlin next Friday, May 31st, at Curtain House, 45 Ihnestrasse at 8 p.m.

With this play the "Little Theatre" goes completely under the direction of Paul Fairleigh, War Dept. civilian, who has had wide theatrical experience.

The play has a large cast, giving everyone interested a splendid opportunity as all the parts are good. The play is so riotously funny that the cast may expect as hilarious a time as the audience.

"Inside Germany" Next I & E Topic

"What It's Like In Germany" will be discussed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at Onkel Tom's Kino at 10:30 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. by Dr. Harry L. Franklin, Economic consultant to the Control Office, Office of the Chief of Staff.

Dr. Franklin will discuss the nature of German people supplemented with his own personal observations of the 12 years he has spent in Germany. He will also discuss the country of Germany and what the occupation troops should expect from the Germans in the way of propaganda.

Dr. Franklin has studied at the Universities of Heidelberg, Bonn, Berlin and Leipzig where he received his Ph. D. degree. He served three years in the army of occupation after the last war as a captain at Coblenz. In the U. S. he worked in the Office of Foreign Agriculture Relations, U. S. Tariff Commission and in the Department of Commerce.

Military Mass On Memorial Day

A Military Field Mass will be held at the Berliner Hockey Club at 10 a.m., Thursday, May 30, with an MP Honor Guard, Regimental guidons, 298th AGF Band, a memorial tribute by Chaplain Maurice E. Powers, and Taps.

Lillian Baches, the eminent German composer, will accompany Josephine Fischer and (Vladimir) Jacoby, who will sing Mozart's "Ave Verum" and Schubert's "Ave Maria". Ceremonies will be closed by Taps for the dead.

The Protestant Memorial Service will be held in the Ernst Moritz Arndt Kirche, the Protestant Church at Onkel Tom and Wilski Strasse, at 11:00 hours. This is a religious observance, honoring our heroic dead. The bus from Harnack Haus will run at 10:30 directly to the church, for the convenience of worshippers from that area.

New Director For RC Club

The Crown Prince Club announced the addition of full-time Field Director Service to its curriculum. From now on Field Director Edward J. Miller will be part of the American Staff of the club and will be glad to talk with anyone who needs his service at anytime.

Miller hails from Farmington, Maine, and has been overseas for 3 1/2 years. He is a Veteran of both world wars; during World War II he spent two years in Trinidad.

Before coming to Germany he served with the Red Cross in France and Austria, as a Field Director attached to the 101st Airborne Division. Last fall he was attached to the 82nd Airborne in Berlin and later transferred to OMGUS.

Mr. Miller will be in his office in the Red Cross "Cottage" weekdays from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. and on Saturday until noon.

Church call

Sunday Services

Catholic - Chaplain M. E. Powers. Masses at 9:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. at Sacred Heart Church, corner of Kronprinzenallee and Riemerstrasse. Buses will leave for the Catholic church from Main Hq., and from the gate at entrance to Rgt. Area at 9:15 a. m. Mass at 11 a. m. - Goethe Hall, Officers mess - 16 Ihne Strasse. Catholic services are held daily except Wed. at 7:45 a. m. and Wed. at 6 p. m. in the Service Chapel, 92 Gary Strasse.

Protestant - Chaplain A. F. Weaver. Morning worship at 11 a. m. with Holy Communion being held at 11:45 a. m. The Protestant Church is located on Onkel Tom Strasse opposite Onkel Tom's Theater. Holy Worship 9:45 a. m. at the Harnack House. Midweek devotion service on Wed. at 12 noon in the Service Chapel, 92 Gary Strasse.

Christian Science - Lt. J. E. Munford. Leader. - 11 a. m. at the Service Chapel, 92 Gary Strasse.

Episcopal - Chaplain J. C. Grainger 11:15 a. m. at the Roosevelt Club. 1:30 p. m. at the 279th Station Hospital.

Latter Day Saints - Maj. D. C. Corbett. Leader - 7 p. m. at the Service Chapel, 92 Gary Strasse.

Jewish - Chaplain H. Friedman. Fri. 8 p. m. and Sun. 10:30 a. m. at the Chaplains' Center, 78-79 Unter den Eichen.

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(Photo by Ries)

Before a bewildered young German audience, William Barnard, catcher for the OMGUS Baseball team, takes a healthy swing in preparation for the 1946 Berlin Baseball League season, which opens tomorrow.

Bill is from Hartford, Conn., and is assigned to "C" Company, for duty with the OMGUS Athletic Office.

Movie Schedule

ONKEL TOM'S THEATER

TONIGHT - SAT

"ADVENTURE" with Clark Gable and Greer Garson.

SUN - MON - TUES

"MEXICANA" with Constance Moore and Tito Guizar.

WED - THURS

"DOLLY SISTERS" with Betty Grable and John Payne.

FRI - SAT

"FOLLOW THAT WOMAN" with William Gargan and Nancy Kelly.

HARNACK HOUSE

TONIGHT

"KITTY" with Ray Milland and Paulette Goddard.

SUN - MON - TUES

"ADVENTURE" with Clark Gable and Greer Garson.

THURS

"MEXICANA" with Constance Moore and Tito Guizar.

FRI

"DOLLY SISTERS" with Betty Grable and John Payne.

TITANIA PALAST

TONIGHT - SAT

"DOLLY SISTERS" with Betty Grable and June Haver.

SUN - MON - TUES

"FOLLOW THAT WOMAN" with William Gargan and Nancy Kelly.

WED - THURS

"DOLL FACE" with Dennis O'Keefe and Vivian Blaine.

FRI - SAT

"WHISTLE STOP" with George Raft and Aya Gardner.

ARC Schedule

Crown Prince Club

Tonight: Orch. 10:00 a. m. - 10 p. m.
SAT: Orch. 10:00 a. m.; Fish Hut Orch. 8:00 p. m.

SUN: Orch. 10:00 a. m.; "Master of the Ivories", 2:30 p. m.; Classical Candlelight Hour, Violinist, 8:30 p. m.

MON: Orch. 10:00 a. m.; "Master of the Ivories", 2:30 p. m.; Veterinarian, 7:30 p. m.; Floor Show, 9:00 p. m.

TUES: Orch. 10:00 a. m.; Pictures around Snack Bar, 9:00 p. m.; Fish Hut Orch. 8:00 p. m.

WED: Orch. 10:00 a. m.; "Master of the Ivories", 2:30 p. m.; Bingo, 9:00 p. m.

THURS: Orch. 10:00 a. m.; Chess night, 7:30 p. m.; Floor Show, 9:00 p. m.; Fish Hut Orch. 8:00 p. m.

FRI: Orch. 10:00 p. m.; "Master of the Ivories", 2:30 p. m.; Floor Show, 9:00 p. m.
SAT: Orch. 10:00 a. m.; Stunt Night, 9:00 p. m.

OMG Chiefs Review Progress



Interested listeners at AVC forum last Tuesday heard summary of one year of military government.

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U.S. Pays 200,000,000 Yearly Draper Tells AVC Forum

By Phil Callaghan
Staff Writer

American contributions to the economy of the U.S. Zone of Germany is costing the American taxpayer between one and two hundred million dollars yearly at present, according to Brig. Gen. William H. Draper, Jr., director of the OMGUS Economics Division.

He stated this as the minimum amount which can be expended in order to prevent starvation, disease, and unrest.

Draper spoke with Brig. Gen. Bryan L. Milburn, chief of staff, and Dr. Harry L. Franklin, of the Control Office, in a forum Tuesday night sponsored by the American Veterans Committee, entitled "A Year of Occupation; Germany 1945-1946."

Export-Import Balance

"Unless Germany's exports balance her imports," Draper explained, "it is obvious that the country's economy cannot exist unless someone supports it. In the U.S. Zone we're doing that." This economic liability, he said, is one of a number of problems which will remain unsolved "until or unless Germany is treated as an economic whole."

Other problems facing MG economists are the food shortage, low coal production, and industrial rehabilitation. Coal production hinges on solving the food problem, while industry depends in part on both

coal and food. One key to the food riddle, Draper said, was the fact that new European borders place the pre-war German population in an area capable of producing only 75 per cent of the country's pre-war crops.

One Objective

The economics chief stated that it is the one objective of his division "to see that Germany never again becomes a menace to the peace of the world." This is to be accomplished by industrial demobilization and disarmament, and by keeping some economic life going in Germany, for "without it, obviously, a democratic Germany cannot arise."

Achieving a satisfactory democratic life in Germany, Draper emphasized, depends on compliance with the Potsdam agreement, one clause of which calls for Germany to be treated as an economic whole. "All of the Potsdam Agreement

should be carried out, not part of it," he said. Failing this, interzonal trade should be encouraged. Draper reported that very little was taking place at present between the four zones of Germany, "although we, on our side, have tried to stimulate it."

Progress of OMGUS

Gen. Milburn reviewed the history of OMGUS, and of the U.S. Group Control Council which preceded it, and then turned an examination of the organization's achievements thus far.

MG's objectives he outlined as "demilitarization, de-industrialization, and denazification." German demilitarization commenced with the first contact of our forces with the German armed forces, and is now almost complete. There still remain some 800,000 PWs to be released; this is one-tenth of the figure a year ago. The near-finished destruction of military establishments is being pushed.

Leaving de-industrialization for Draper, who followed him on the program, Milburn took up denazification. The new denazification law, he said, "really has teeth in it," and one reason for the program's success is that it has generally received the support of the German people.

Positive objectives of MG are re-creation of a minimum German economy, reeducation of the German people, and the return of self government. In connection with reeducation, Milburn took note of the OMGUS youth program, "one of MG's most important problems," which he said is making tremendous progress.

Election Program

The chief of staff outlined the program of elections being held in the U.S. Zone of Germany as a means of reinstituting self-government, "one of the biggest objectives that we're still engaged in."

The Stadtkreis election on May 26 will be the third step in this program, following the town elections in January, and county balloting last month. Constitutional assemblies will be elected in June, and state elections in the fall. "This will be about as far as we can go until the establishment of central agencies in Germany," Milburn said.

Dr. Harry L. Franklin, who is an economic consultant for the Control Office, concluded the forum with an analysis of the material military go-

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Level of Industry Plan Endangered, McNarney Warns

General J. T. McNarney, theater commander, stated at a press conference Tuesday that delay in signing a peace treaty for Germany and opposition to a central German government were endangering realization of the Four Power level of industry plan for Germany.

The General indicated that if this situation continues, a definite change in American occupation plans may be expected. "No military commander well aware of the tactical situation would ever go into battle with only one plan of action," he declared.

U.S. War Dead Saluted May 30

An official Memorial Address by the Chief of Staff or the Director of Administrative Services at 9 a.m. on May 30 will begin the ceremonies commemorating the dead of World War II. There will be a ten minute devotional service by Chaplain Weaver, and prayers by Chaplain Powers. A rifle squad will fire a salute, and the band will play Taps and the National Anthem.

Religious services will be held by all denominations. A Military field Mass will take place at the Berliner Hockey Field at 10 a.m. and Protestant services will be held at the Wilski Strasse Church at 11 a.m.

Five major ceremonies have been planned in each of the liberated countries and one in the United Kingdom. In addition, U. S. Army, Navy and Marine troops will hold services in thirty-one cemeteries. Located in France, Belgium, Holland, England, Ireland and Switzerland, the cemeteries contain the graves of 135,000 American dead of World War II.

Valdes Leaves Observer Staff

Roger Valdes, Jr., the last of the old "Grooper" staff and managing editor of the OMGUS newspaper for nearly nine months, started on his way home Wednesday.

Valdes was educated in Florida schools, including the University of Tampa and the University of Miami, where he studied industrial management, labor relations, and journalism. He worked for six months as a staff writer for "The Florida Labor Weekly," a labor newspaper published in Tampa, and for another half year as cub reporter on the "Tampa Daily Times."

He received basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and came overseas in 1944 to join the 80th Infantry Division in France. In combat with the 80th through Luxembourg and the Western part of Germany, he was wounded before reaching the Rhine. On June 4 1945 he joined the Group Control Council at Versailles, and has been with OMGUS since then.

Until a peace treaty is signed, McNarney pointed out, Germany will remain legally an enemy country of the Allies, unable to make commercial agreements with them.

Without such agreements Germany cannot secure the raw materials so vital to its economy.

Central Government Needed

Even should a peace treaty be signed, said McNarney, private concerns would hesitate in extending credit to Germany unless it had a centralized administration. Once a central administration was established, it could plan a centralized German economy, and could then begin to revive German industry through foreign loans.

Concerning the recent Control Council directive on the confiscation of all publications containing Nazi or military ideas, General McNarney emphasized that the intended program is "not a witch hunt or a book burning." Extensive efforts have been made to eliminate all National Socialist doctrines from the texts used in the schools and universities, but to make such measures complete it was considered necessary to cleanse reading matter in general circulation of these doctrines.

Holders of all banned books, plus all pamphlets and films containing undesirable propaganda, are required to turn them in to Allied authorities within two months. The bulk of the condemned material will be used for the manufacture of paper, but copies will be kept for historical purposes, he revealed. The Library of Congress plans to reserve a comprehensive selection.

Dependents Boost Morale

McNarney declared that the effect of the newly arrived dependents on American troops has been "very good." Their arrival in the Theater has brought no more serious problem to the authorities than to make it advisable to give them orientation lectures on the situation in Germany.

They evinced a large amount of curiosity on fraternization and the black market, he said, and these subjects have been included in the lectures.

Select Berlin School House For Dependents' Children

Selection of the public school for minor dependents of US occupation personnel was divulged by the American School Board here this week when the school building at 6-8 Im Gehege, former Gertrauden Schule was chosen.

The school's locale and initial to be established in Berlin were approved by Maj. Gen. Frank A. Keating, Commanding General, BD Headquarters.

Equipped to provide for 450 grammar school students and 150 high school students, the School was chosen for its central location and excellent facilities from a group of 12 buildings that were reviewed by the School Board.

The large modern school requisitioned by OMGUS provides 38 school rooms, eight lavatories, nine laboratories, three lecture halls, a

groundwork plans for the model large gymnasium and playground.

Accommodating pupils of both elementary and high school level, it will be called the American Public Grade School, and the American Public High School of Berlin.

The ultimate School Board shall consist of five members, three to be elected by popular vote of the members of the American Community, one to be appointed by the Deputy Military Governor, OMGUS, and one to be appointed by the Commanding

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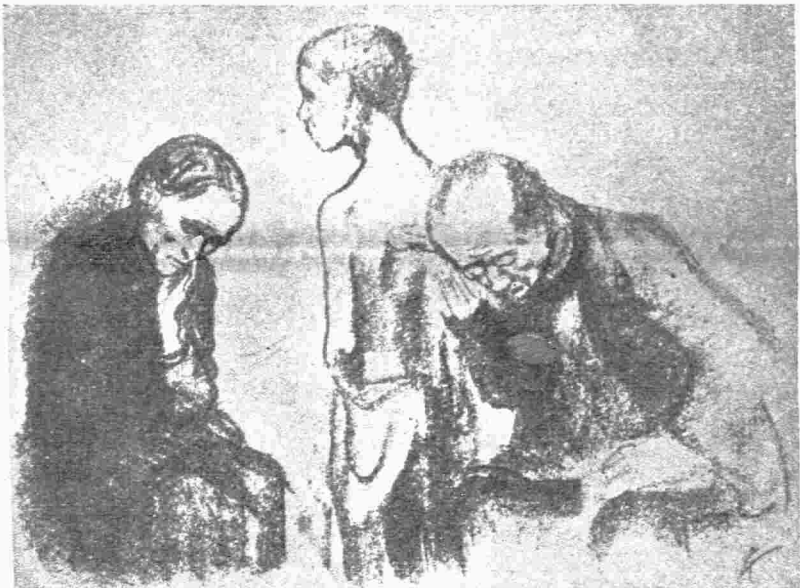


General Draper, General Milburn, Dr. Franklin, and AVC Chairman R. Peter Straus.

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Portrait of Käthe Kollwitz by Ewald Vetter.



At The Doctor's.



Family in northern Berlin.

KÄTHE

Kollwitz

Käthe Kollwitz's art was "too new, too harsh, too inconvenient for the critics" in the 1890's. Today the artist who lived in the slums of Berlin is honored universally as one of the great realistic artists and sculptors of this generation.

This "artist of the people" died last year in April near Dresden, after a long life devoted to perfecting her portrayal of suffering, poverty-stricken humanity.

Born on July, 8, 1867 at Königsberg, she was the daughter of the master mason Schmidt. The Schmidt family lived in the spirit of true Christianity without denominational ties. Käthe first realized the social responsibility which later made her work so significant from her deep religious experiences.

Her desire to create appeared in early, playful attempts at drawing which later led to the study of etching. Stauffer-Bern in Berlin was the first to recognize the rich gift of the young student. She studied graphic arts at the Academy of Munich.

In 1891 Käthe became the wife of Dr. Karl Kollwitz, a young physician who established himself in the north of Berlin to become a doctor for the poor. The patients who climbed the rickety stairs of the grey tenement on Weissenburger Strasse were the models for Käthe's masterpieces.

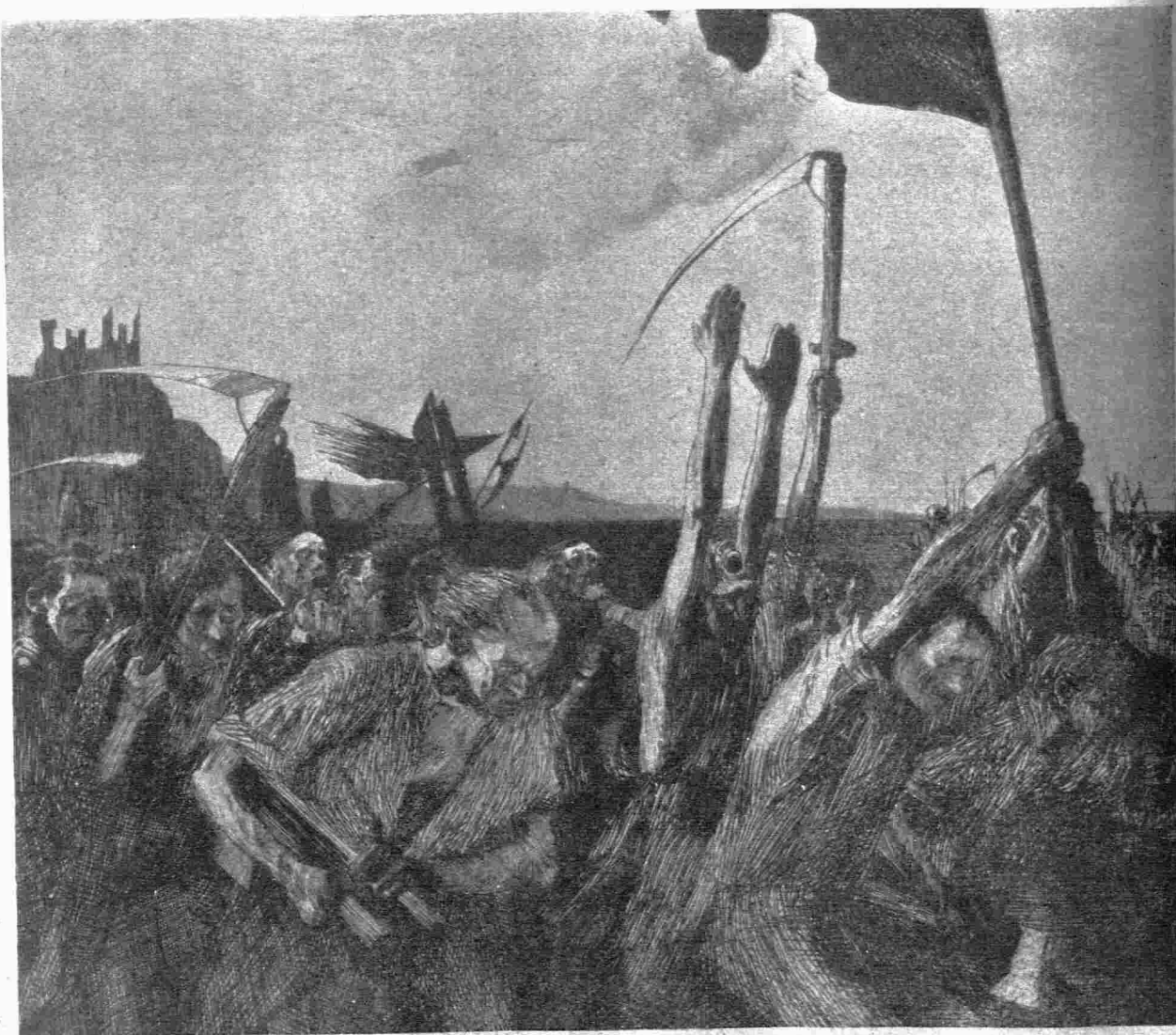
Sketching their drawn, hard, work-worn faces, she appealed to the world to save them — the starving mothers and suffering children in big cities — from their guiltless misery. The religious socialism of the artist had found a moving language.

For 40 years Käthe lived in what is now the Russian sector of Berlin, depicting its underprivileged people in their merciless struggle for a living. Living amongst them she gained insight into their hardships. In her own life she experienced the entire scale of sorrow, disappointment, bitterness and severity of life which must be suffered in order to sublimate human qualities into artistic creation.

During the first World War one of her sons was killed. Many of her figures showed the deep grief of a bereaved mother. World War II repeated fate. Her grandson, dearest to her heart, was killed. Her husband died after long suffering. Her friends became victims of Nazism. She was forced to close her studio — hers became a "verboten" art.

"Lament" was Käthe Kollwitz's last work. The face of the artist is veiled in mute grief, covered with her hands as she retired within herself. The suffering face accuses the whole world.

(Several of Käthe Kollwitz's works are displayed at the current exhibit of modern art at the Zeughaus, Unter den Linden.)



"Onward!" The Peasants' War.



Bereaved Mother.



A Patient.



Self-portrait in tomb piece.



Unemployed.



The Workers Unite.



Lament.

Exhibit Of Modern Art Opens

An exhibition of contemporary German art was opened last Sunday at the Zeughaus in the Russian sector of Berlin by the German Central Administration for Education of the People. The Zeughaus is on Unter den Linden near Schlossplatz.

In the former arsenal which was used as a national museum of weapons, the paintings and plastics of the best of modern German artists are being exhibited to the public. The exhibit will be open until the end of June from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Six hundred works of contemporary artists have been represented. Among them are Barlach, Eulenstein, Albert Klastt, Max Kaus, Arno Moler, Oskar Nerlinger and Ewald Vetter. A schedule

has been arranged so that one of the artists will be present at the museum to conduct tours of the



Photo by Ries

Six hundred works of modern art are now exhibited at the Zeughaus.

exhibit every day. For next week's issue of the "OBSERVER", Mr. Vetter will write an evaluation of the two schools of modern art which are represented at the exhibition.

Berlin Baseball Loop Opens Saturday

"A" Wins Two, 503 Drops "G" In Softball Tilts

In a nip and tuck battle, which saw almost every man on the team play, "C" Co's softball team came from behind in the last half of the seventh inning to put across three runs and defeat 1651 Engr. 10-9.

Bill Ball, "C" Co. pitcher, seemed constantly to be in trouble, but some good fielding helped matters. Co. "C" could only register six off the offerings of 1651st pitcher Bill Panzica, but two untimely errors accounted for the other runs.

In another Friday night tussle, "G" Co. defeated 503rd Car Co. 10-4 in a rout. Gault, pitching for "G", allowed nine scattered hits, while his teammates collected nine hits from Mortensen and Direbliss and made each one count. Dick Robertson, "G" third baseman, led their hitting, getting a triple and a double in three trips to the plate.

"A" Drops 822

Tuesday evening Co. "A", led by Mike Becker's three-run triple, defeated the 822 M. P., 6-5. Shortstop Becker's hit came in the top of the fifth and clinched the game for the "A" Co. men.

Ed Casey for the winners and Bill Ufkes for the losers had a pitcher's battle all the way with Casey giving five hits and Ufkes giving six. Becker led the "A"'s attack with the three bagger and also clouted a four bagger, driving in one run ahead of himself.

Third baseman Dick Atkinson led "D" to a close win over the 3417 boys, 5-4. Dick knocked out two doubles to drive in three of their five runs. "D" Co. collected eight hits and seven walks off Bill Holly 3417 pitcher. The Truck Co. men drove in three runs in the first and three more in the third, but after that they couldn't get a man past second base.

Lt. Cochran's "D" team made five errors, for the record on mishaps in one game. This is their first win in the league. Pitcher John Mohart looked very good in the last four innings. Some fine fielding by SS Wes Ritterath of the winners highlighted the game. Second baseman Shelby for the losers displayed a good quality of fielding.

"A" Stops 1651

Co. A easily won their second game of the season over the 1651 Engr., to take the lead over the other idle league teams. Ed Casey pitched for the winners and set the Engr. down with only five hits, while his teammates were pounding Jack Sprung, pitching for the losers, for 12 hits and six bases on balls. Ed Ronco and Charlie Alberto led the "A" attack with three and two hits respectively. Ronco had a triple and two doubles and Alberto got two doubles.

In the longest game of the year, I. A. & C. won their second Division League game of the year and their second overtime game of the year. They defeated Econ Div., 5-3 in ten innings.

Joe Bilka pitched six hit ball for the winners and allowed only one earned run. Jack Lynn, pitching for the Econ. Div., worked a fine game. Although touched for 13 hits, he scattered them well and allowed only three earned runs.

Joe won his own ball game in the top of the tenth, as Ross Rosenberg singled, was sacrificed to second by Dick Hix, scored on Joe's single who scored himself on Spiegelberg's double.

Navy won their second game of the year against no defeats when A. G. forfeited their game to them an account of lack of players.



(Photo by Hemsey)

John Higgins, OMGUS leftfielder, taking off for first base after hitting a ball to third. Don Baker, who was on first, scored on the play as thirdbaseman Cook threw wild to second in an attempt for a doubleplay. Higgins traveled all the way to third on the play. Catcher Stevens and Umpire Pabst are also shown.

MG Defeated by Signal Squad In Final Pre-Season Contest

In their final trial session last Sunday at the Berliner Hockey Club, the OMG baseball team bowed, 6-1, to the 3110 Signal Service Battalion nine.

Palasse, 3110 pitcher, and Norman Sendt, who made his first mound appearance for OMGUS, each gave five hits, but the Signal hurler was tighter in the tough spots, and received better backing from his infield. Palasse all but won his own game with some brilliant base running. He stole four bases, rattled the MG pitcher and third baseman into allowing more men to reach base, scored half his team's runs personally, and indirectly accounted for another two. Sendt gave up only two earned runs to the Signal team, the other four coming through

a hole in the left side of the OMGUS infield.

Totals: 3110 Signal — six runs, five hits, two errors, OMGUS — one run, five hits, four errors.

3110 broke the ice in the top half of the third, scoring two runs on two hits and an error by DiGeronimo. MG sortstop. They added a couple of more unearned runs in their half of the eighth, and gained their final duo of tallies honestly in the ninth.

The lone OMGUS score came in the last half of the third inning, when second baseman Don Baker lined a single over the pitcher's head, and then scored when Higgins' hot grounder, which looked like double-play material, was thrown wild over second by Cook, 3110 third baseman. Higgins reached third on the play.

Berlin Bennies Fly To ET Boxing Team

Two boxers representing Berlin District left for Munich last week to join the E. T. O. boxing team. They will arrive in time for the next match, which has been scheduled for May 28, against the Swiss Amateur Champions.

The two men were Benny Rush of the 3110 Sig. Ser. Bn. and Benny Gooch of the 3417 Truck Co. Rush, big gangling Texan, had about 40 amateur fights while still in the states and since he has been overseas has won the Berlin District Championship Heavyweight title, came out on top in the Inter Theater Championship, and took second the E. T. O. bouts.

Benny Gooch took the light heavyweight title for Berlin District, but had a hard time getting started in the E. T. O. bout and dropped out early. The boys flew to Munich, so they are expected to be in pretty good shape when needed.

Softball League Standings

Division League	W.	L.
Finance Div.	3	0
Navy	2	0
I. A. & C. Div.	2	1
Hdq. Command	0	1
A. G. Section	0	2
Econ. Division	0	3
Regimental League	W.	L.
Company A	2	0
Company C	1	0
Company D	1	0
Company G	1	0
822 M. P.	0	1
3417 Truck Co.	0	1
503 Car Co.	0	1
1651 Engr.	0	2

BD Volleyball Team In Theater Tourney

The Third Infantry Regiment volleyball team will leave for Frankfurt next week to represent Berlin in the first male Theater volleyball championships, May 31-June 1, in the Palm Garden Red Cross Club.

The BD championship was actually won by the 309 Infantry team, which nosed out the 822 MP squad from OMGUS, but the 309th has since been de-activated, so Third Regiment has been elected to bear Berlin's honors.

Other commands participating in the USAFE-sponsored tournament are Third Army, USAFE, USFA, Continental Base, Eastern Base, USFET, EATS, U. S. Navy, and U. S. Constabulary. The tourney will coincide with the Jubilee Invitational Volleyball Tournament being held in Chicago this month to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the game.

The winning team in the ET tournament will receive attractive awards, symbolizing their theater supremacy, from Theater Special Services, in behalf of the Theater Commander.

Russel J. Bowells Advises Bowlers

USFET Special Service has announced that Russel J. Bowells has been secured as a bowling consultant for the Athletic Division of Theater Special Services. Bowells, a bowling installation technician of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co., is in the ET surveying existing bowling facilities.

OMG Meets Tempelhof In First League Game

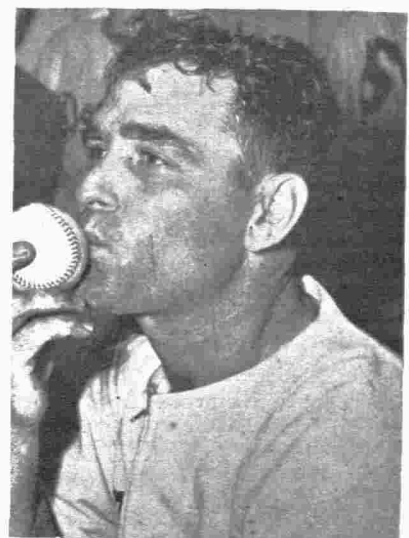
It'll be "Play ball" at 2:30 next Saturday at the Berliner Hockey Club diamond, as a renovated OMGUS baseball squad crosses bats with the Tempelhof nine in the first game of the long-heralded, much delayed, 1946 Berlin Baseball League season.

Other entrants in the eleven-team league are the 252 Engineers, 553 QM, Berlin District Hq., 2828 Engineers, 3110 Signal, 279 Station Hospital, 592 Ordnance, and 111 QM.



(ANS) — Rightfielder Gene Hermanski, regarded as the brightest star in Brooklyn's trio of 24-year-old outer gardeners, opened the season with two glaring errors, which accounted for the Boston Braves' 5-3 triumph.... Some of the mystery of Mickey Owen's off-again on-again deal in the Mexican League has cleared. Friends say the big catcher had used most of the \$20,000 advances paid by Jorge Pasquel to settle delinquent income taxes and a mortgage on a farm near St. Louis. When Branch Rickey, president of the Brooklyn Dodgers, turned a deaf ear to his plight and a request for a loan that might have permitted him to return to the majors, Mickey had little choice but to remain with Pasquel. Which, at \$15,000 annually for the next five years, should not be too much of a hardship.

An automobile accident, in which his left hand was crushed in 1935, converted the first no-hit, no-run pitcher of the 1946 major league season from a southpaw to a right-hander. When Ed Head, 27-year-old Brooklyn moundsman, made his first appearance in the National league since 1944 by blanking the Boston Braves, 5-0, he faced only 29 batters and gave up three walks. It was the first no-hit game at



Ed Head

Ebbetts Field since Johnny Van der Meer hurled his second straight in 1939. Incidentally, Head was lifted to the Hall of Fame only a day after the birth of his second son.

Uniform Supplies For Baseball Low

Material shortages in the United States will decrease shipment of baseball uniforms to the European Theater this year, Theater Special Services announced. Due to these shortages, uniforms received from the US are expected to come to only 25 percent of the amount needed.

Buyers from Special Services are scouring the European Continent for the necessary material, and representatives in the US are endeavoring to alleviate this shortage.

In a last-minute effort to bolster some of the weak spots in the OMGUS lineup, the athletic office has acquired nine crack players from the 310 Infantry team of the 78th Division, which had a record of nine wins and one loss in pre-season games. The 310th is being deactivated today, making way for the Third Regiment, Berlin's new occupation outfit.

Dick Hix Coaches

Another step taken to improve the baseball squad has made Lt. Dick Hix of the I. A. & C. Division team coach, relieving the burdens of Frank Palazzo, former coach, who is also team captain and centerfielder.

Among the new players, who are being assigned for duty with OMGUS Special Service Office, is Joe Valdez, a third baseman who looks like just what the MG team needed to fill the third base spot. Third has caused OMGUS a lot of trouble lately, for Hubbard, who has filled the spot up to now, has played a poor fielding game, although his stickwork has been satisfactory.

Valdez has ten years of baseball experience behind him, and besides third, can play any position on the field except pitcher or catcher. He played with Texas teams, including Houston of the Texas League, the team Dizzy Dean started his career with.

New Left Fielder

Another of the new boys who looks good is Wally Rodriguez, left fielder, who has had semi-pro experience in Texas. Six foot three, and weighing 200 pounds, Rodriguez will also take part in the track team. Lefty Krauss, a first baseman who played for Lehigh University, is giving Simon a battle for the starting berth tomorrow.

A schedule of 110 games has been set up for the league by the Berlin District Athletic office, with each squad meeting each of its opponents twice. This means a schedule of 20 games for the OMGUS nine, eight of which are lined up to take place at the Berliner Hockey Club diamond. The Athletic Office is trying to arrange to have more games played at the Hockey Club, however, as it is generally considered to be the finest baseball field in Berlin.

Clay May Attend

Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, deputy military governor of Germany, may be present tomorrow to throw in the first pitch of the 1946 season, according to Capt. Fred Spiegelberg, OMGUS athletic officer, who revealed that he had invited Clay. The contest will be broadcast over AFN, starting at 2:30.

Two more league games are scheduled for Sunday, with the 252 Engineers meeting the 3110 Signal at the Telefunken diamond, and the 553 QM hosting the 279 Hospital team. Both contests start at 2:30. B. D. Headquarters clashes with 592 Ordnance Monday at 6:30 at Telefunken, and the 2828 Engineers plays the 111 QM at the Engineer diamond.

Tempelhof engages in its second contest Tuesday, meeting the 759 MPs at the airport, and the OMGUS squad will meet the 3110 Signal nine Wednesday evening at Telefunken.

CRALOG Coordinates German Relief Agencies

By Tom Wellington
Staff Writer

An effective system has been arranged for American relief agencies to coordinate with authorized German welfare agencies to handle supplies contributed by U. S. citizens for German relief, according to Claude Stotts, Chairman of the Council of Relief Agencies Licensed for Operation in Germany, who is attached to the Public Health and Welfare Branch of the I&A Division.

Voluntary relief supplies may be imported for distribution to the German population in the U. S. Zone with the approval of OMGUS. Distribution is made on the sole basis of established need, without cost to the recipient, and supplementing the ration program.

An agreement has been reached by OMGUS with voluntary relief agencies in the United States whereby the Council of Relief Agencies Licensed for Operation in Germany (CRALOG) is the single authorized agency for the shipment of American voluntary relief supplies in the U. S. Zone of Germany. CRALOG includes 16 American Relief agencies which supply food, clothes, blankets, and medicine to authorized German organizations. The agencies represented have been licensed by the President's War Relief Control Board to solicit and receive contributions for relief in Germany.

The broad representative character of CRALOG provides full opportunity for American contributors to channel their gifts through the agencies of their own choice. It is therefore not anticipated that authorization will be extended to organizations other than CRALOG to send relief supplies to the U. S. Zone.

CRALOG in the United States receives all donations of relief supplies intended for Germany and provides for their shipment to Germany.

Representatives of CRALOG here observe and assist in the allocation and distribution of relief supplies, prepare factual and descriptive reports, and interpret to German welfare agencies the objectives of the American foreign relief agencies.

A central German committee, operating under the Landerrat and representing the major private German welfare organizations in the U. S. Zone, allocates all supplies received through CRALOG.

Allocations are made to the areas of greatest need after consultation with the appropriate German public welfare officials representing Caritas, the Catholic organization, the Evangelical Hilfswerk, Protestant, and the Arbeiter Wohlfahrt, the welfare group for the Social Democrat and Labor parties. The Central German Committee submits allocations for OMGUS approval. Distribution of these supplies is carried out by approved German welfare agencies.

Six ships have already arrived in Bremen and a total of 3,500 tons of relief supplies have been unloaded, of which 1,100 tons have been allocated and shipped. They are contributions from the American Friends Service Committee, the War Relief Service, the Mennonite Central Committee, the Lutheran Relief Committee, the International Relief and Rescue Committee, the Unitarian Service Committee, the Catholic Church Organization for

Relief, and the Brethren Service Committee. Milk, vegetables, fish, and clothing, besides various food staples made up the main part of the cargo.

Five hundred to 1000 tons per month are being sent to the French Zone, and negotiations are under way to allot 2000 tons to the British Zone. Six thousand children are being cared for by the Quakers in the Russian Zone, and so far they have received 8000 blankets and 14 tons of bacon.

Berlin Water Safe to Drink

The public water system of Berlin has been officially declared potable for U. S. Troops for the first time since the beginning of the allied occupation, the Office of the Berlin District Surgeon announced last week.

Troop units and mess halls can now use the city water direct from the mains, assured that it carries the high standard of purity which characterized the pre-war water system of Berlin as one of the finest in the world.

"Chlorine residual is now running slightly higher than that in the average civic water system in the United States," said Lt. George Schmidt, Sanitary Corps, Berlin District Sanitary Engineers. It is necessary to maintain higher standards here because of the extraordinary conditions under which the city has been existing.

Responsibility for recommending proper chlorination and also repair and maintenance of the public water systems falls on the shoulders of Office of Military Government, Berlin District. Lt. Col. J. C. Diggs, chief of Public Works and Utilities Section, reported that over 3300 breaks and leaks in the water mains have been repaired and that only 12 per cent of today's production is being wasted through leakages in the distribution system. Of the 1300 wells which formed pre-war Berlin's water supply, a thousand are again in operation.

Fascinatin' Story Dept . . .

In "Stars and Stripes," May 14, the following story appeared:

Munich Fair to Include Beauty Contest for MPs

MUNICH, May 13 — Heigh-ho, come to the fair. The American Red Cross invited "one and all" today.

A May ARC festival will take place from May 18 to 22 in Munich's Burgerbraukeller.

A Romance Bloomed At Harnack



Photo by Ries

Schlesinger and his fiancée, Renate, visit the Jewish cemetery where his grandparents and her father, who was killed by the Nazis, are buried.

A love story which started at Harnack House will culminate in a wedding in New York City this June when Bernd G. Schlesinger brings home his fiancée, Miss Renate Gross, of Berlin.

He met the 17-year-old girl at Harnack House where she was employed as a waitress.

Schlesinger, ODIC War Dept. employee, was born in Berlin and went to the States with his family in 1937.

He is leaving for the States this week at the completion of his contract. Miss Gross will join him next month when she will leave Germany under the Truman directive which permits victims of Nazism to enter the United States.

Desire for Security Guides Soviet Policies

(A team of three I&E lecturers, Frederick W. Ganzert, Leslie M. Gewehr, and John H. Klingensfeld, all former Biarritz American University instructors, spoke to OMGUS personnel this week on the subject, "Russia in a World of Peace." Ganzert summarizes their remarks in the following article.)

Observers in the United States continually point out the ideological gap which exists between the capitalistic countries and Soviet Russia. They deplore the religious devotion of the Russians to their system, and their conviction that it will ultimately be adopted throughout the world.

Believers in political democracy and free speech fear extension of a system of government which depends on such an indirect scheme of representation that the masses exercise only slight control over the ruling minority.

The internationalist finds difficulty in distinguishing between the aggressive foreign policy of Soviet Russia and the foreign policies of the other great powers, which in the past the Russians have denounced as imperialistic and war-breeding.

Understanding Needed

Partial understanding of Russia's foreign policy may be obtained by realizing her determination to obtain final security in a world which has not yet established mechanisms for peaceful change.

Russia is determined that she will never again be attacked as she has been twice in the past 25 years. She recalls the failure of collective security under the League of Nations. She sees the United States expanding in the Pacific and controlling the atomic bomb. She listens to Churchill and others warning the West against Russia and advocating a Western Bloc against her. She sees the capitalistic countries conspiring with Fascist Argentina and tolerating Franco in Spain.

War Unthinkable

War against Russia is unthinkable, because Russia cannot continue to deny its people the consumer goods which they have been promised; war would lose what the Russians need most — continuing friendship with Great Britain and the United States.

Traditional friendship between the United States and Russia, the lack of economic rivalry, and the fact that neither needs what the other has minimize the danger of war.

Summer Term At American U. Starts June 10

The summer term of the American University of Berlin will begin June 10. Registrations may be made next week Monday thru Saturday from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. except on Saturday from 9 a. m. till noon. You may register by phone or in person at 25 Irmgard Strasse. For information or registration call 84-6775 or 84-6611.

Classes at the University are open to all American and Allied Military Personnel and there are morning, afternoon and evening classes. Wives of American Personnel are especially invited to attend the afternoon classes.

Classes will be held in Languages, Literature, Art, Music, Psychology, History, Political Science, Typing, Mathematics and Sciences. The University is under the direction of Lt. Robert Fauss.

Correspondence Courses For Vets

A plan just approved by the Veterans Administration allows Veterans holding full time jobs to continue their education at the expense of the government through correspondence courses at 38 educational institutions throughout the country.

Before amendments were made to the GI Bill of Rights last December, a veteran had to attend a school or other training institution to be entitled to support under the Bill. Under the present arrangements, the veteran receives no subsistence allowance while taking such courses, but is entitled to tuition benefits not exceeding 500 dollars.

The new program will open correspondence courses in almost every educational field, including academic subjects and trades and professions.

Specs Repaired At Onkel Tom's



(Photos by Hemsey)

Eighty pairs of glasses per week come in for repairs.

A new optical shop was opened in Onkel Tom's Arcade next to the PX this week. The shop is already doing a thriving business in the repairing of glasses and cameras. Approximately 80 pairs of glasses per week were repaired in the old shop which used to be in the photo studio.

The optician at the shop is Alfred Kluchert who has been in the optical business for 16 years in Berlin and has run a shop at Onkel Tom's 10 years.

The shop is having trouble getting lenses and frames because most optical machinery has been destroyed. Kluchert grinds lenses and fits them in the shop.

Sun glasses are sold there when it is possible to get the frames which mostly have to be made by hand now. The optical shop's hours are from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. under the supervision of Lt. Joseph Marcum of the Post Exchange Section.

Is Your Job Necessary? IG Asks OMGUS Troops

Do you think your job is necessary? When do you expect to be redeployed? Would you like to attend OCS?

These were some of the questions put to the troops of Headquarters Regiment by Maj. C. R. Iunazzea, of the Inspector General's office, who inspected them this week. One company an evening was inspected by

Iunazzea, who first checked the troops in formation, then their billets, and then had them fill out questionnaires.

Comments of the IG: "A" Company's rifles were very clean; very pleased with "C" Company's billets and gardens; impressed by "C" Company's day-room, which has a newly-installed coke and beer bar.

Municipal Elections In US Zone Sunday

By Phil Callaghan
Staff Writer

Voters from the 38 largest cities in the U. S. Zone of Germany will go to the polls next Sunday to elect Stadtkreis councils.

Coming on the heels of an additional slash in food rations, this first postwar opportunity for urban voters in the U. S. Zone to express themselves at the ballot-box is seen as a test of the strength of the parties of the left, the Social Democrats and Communists.

MG observers in the field predict that in Bavaria and Wuertemberg-Baden the Social Democratic vote may be as much as 30 per cent and the Communist vote about 10 per cent, according to R. H. Wells, U. S. Zone election chief. The left-wing vote should be much higher in Greater Hesse, which returned a Socialist plurality in last month's county elections, although the Communist Party may suffer from a Greater Hesse law which directs that any party ticket which fails to receive 15 per cent of the popular vote shall not elect any candidates.

San Francisco is "Stadtkreis"

The "Stadtkreis" is a city which also exercises the functions of a county government. It is the equivalent of the English county borough, and of certain American cities, such as San Francisco and Philadelphia, where city and county governments are combined. Under German law, a certain minimum population is usually required before a city can become a stadtkreis. In Bavaria, the minimum population is 20,000; in Greater Hesse, it is 30,000.

Ten of the cities voting have populations in excess of 100,000. They are Munich, Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Nurnberg, Mannheim, Wiesbaden, Augsburg, Karlsruhe, Kassel, and Regensburg. Total population for the areas voting on May 26 is approximately 3,760,000.

Last month's county council elections in the U.S. Zone indicated a general trend toward the "church" parties, the Christian Social Union and the Christian Democratic Union, which gained respective pluralities in Bavaria and Wuertemberg-Baden. The elections also showed a lessening of interest in political affairs by the Germans, possibly because a 275-calorie ration cut early in April gave them more immediate problems to worry about. Only 72.2 percent of eligible voters participated in April balloting, compared to 83 per cent in the first elections in January.

Comparisons with the results of next Sunday's voting will be more difficult, however, for an entirely different segment of the population will be voting.

Proportional Representation Used

Sunday's election will be conducted under the same regulations as the "Gemeinde" election in January and the Landkreis election in April. Proportional representation will be used, giving each party or group a number of seats proportional to the vote cast for that party or group.

Wuertemberg will use the "free list" system of cumulative voting which permits voting for candidates on different lists while the "closed list" prevails in Baden, Bavaria, where votes must be cast for a complete party list as nominated.

The size of the council to be elected varies with the population. Sixty will be elected to the Frankfurt council, 48 to the Stuttgart council, and 41 in Munich. The term of office is two years in all the Laender.

Major parties participating in the election are: Christian Democratic Union (Christian Social Union in Bavaria); Social Democratic Party; Communist Party; and Liberal Democratic Party (Democratic People's Party in Wuertemberg.)

School Selected

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The term of office of each member shall be one year from the election date or appointment. The first regular school board will be constituted on or before August 1, and subsequent elections will be held on or before May 1 of each year.

Subject to ET directives, the School Board will be responsible for employment of all personnel required for the efficient operation and administration of APS, Berlin.

Their final approval will be necessary for the curriculum of each school, textbooks, provisions for libraries, school buildings and upkeep, student welfare — including adequate recreational and health and the development of community school activities.

While the War Department has stated that it assumes no obligation for the schooling of dependent children, USFET recommended reconsideration of this policy and has submitted a request for funds to support the program.

Non-appropriated funds available to the ET will provide interim funds to carry on initial phases of planning and procurement until such time as specified funds are available.

As an operating agency of USFET, a Dependents Schools Service has been established to plan in detail the school program and to supervise its operation. In serving as the coordinating agency on all school problems, periodic field visits to community schools will be made by supervisors.

In the general outline of the proposed school system, the model schools are to meet or exceed American standards in offering a well-rounded curriculum. Each military community where children of school age are present will have a civilian-staffed school varying in size and type from a one-teacher school for elementary grades to a "graded" school from kindergarten through 12 grades.

The Dependents Schools Service has provided an advisory service to aid parents and students in securing information on private schools and colleges in other countries such as Switzerland, France or England.

A central teacher and placement agency has been established to select teachers, giving first preference to those now in the ET; others will be recruited from the States.

28,709 Tons Food Missing in Berlin

A report from the Berlin District Office of Military Government on May 21 presented startling figures on unauthorized food losses in Berlin.

The German Central Food Office estimated that 28,709 tons of food were lost during the period from July 15, 1945 to April 30. These losses total more than the entire food shipments into Berlin from the U.S. zone since last August.

Deliveries of food imported from America, totaling 227,886 tons are turned over to the Berlin Central Food office and distribution is handled entirely by German civilians. The Allied Kommandatura is doing its utmost to gain information on the causes of this loss.

Forum...

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vernment has to work with — the German people. The political mind of the German, he said, was as different from that of an American "as life and death."

Never Knew Democracy

"The Germans never knew self-government at any time in their history," he said. "The Weimar Republic was much too short-lived." Structure of the German family, where the father rules with an iron hand, also contributes to their political ignorance. He declared that there are great numbers of Germans for whom there is no hope of political enlightenment.

Dr. Franklin stated that he was unable to find a real sense of guilt in many Germans for their country's misdeeds. He scored those people who are favorably impressed by the cleanliness and discipline of the Germans and conclude that it's too bad that we had to fight such nice people. "If we want another war," he declared, "that's certainly a way to get it."

This forum completed the thirteen-week AVC series on "Winning the Peace in Germany." Gen. Milburn took occasion, before opening his address, to laud the local chapter for "the high quality of the forums, which have been of much benefit to each of you."

"I know of no way the people of a democracy can be better informed," he said, "than by programs of the kind sponsored by this fine organization."

Buckower Gets Railway Station

Berlin's newest railway station, Buckower Chaussee, was officially opened last week by Col. Theodore von Sabo, commander of the Berlin Quartermaster Depot.

Buckower Chaussee will service the Quartermaster depot, to provide transportation for QM GIs into the center of Berlin, and to serve the 2000 German civilians who work at the depot.

The station, whose construction was approved by both Military Government authorities and the Allied Kommandatura, will also help gasoline conservation by relieving the burden of furnishing trucks for essential transportation.

"Operation DDT" Quells Winged Pests

With sprays to the right of 'em and sprays to the left of 'em, the OMGUS headquarters' fly population has ridden into the jaws of a quick, sure death as the fly and mosquito control program progresses. DDT is the main agent of warfare used in combatting the germ-carrying insects.

Army decontamination sprays, operated by the Service Section of OMGUS' Headquarters Command, under the direction of Lt. W. M. Christie, use a solution of five per cent DDT and kerosene for all inside work.

OMGUS' EM mess, the first in Berlin to receive this treatment, proved a valuable example for the spraying of "Club 48" and the same operations will be followed in the new consolidated mess when it is completed. "Not only are mess halls being sprayed, but the 700 OMGUS billets are being treated at the rate of 40 daily," Lt. Christie reported.

Under the general direction of the OMGUS Surgeon, Lt. Col. P. V. Kiehl, the theory of these tactics in the mosquito and fly control program were explained. "The mixture of DDT and kerosene is sprayed on the walls and ceiling of a room. In a few hours the kerosene evaporates leaving no stains on the paper or paint, but only a thin and invisible film of DDT. The unsuspecting fly lights on the wall and the many hairs on his legs are quick to pick up the particles of the powerful insecticide. In trying to clean off his legs he takes the chemical internally and thereby ends his disease-carrying career."

Part of General Program

Although all billets will be sprayed at least once and perhaps twice this summer, this far from finishes the job. The breeding ponds are not so easily charted and it is there the most effective prevention can be done. The team already combatting the mosquito and fly menace is trained to hunt out the most dangerous fester, but the area is much too large to be serviced completely with the staff at hand and furthermore the mosquito can easily fly across OMGUS' frontiers to carry on her mighty operations.

If there are mosquitoes and flies in unusually large numbers near the billets of offices of OMGUS personnel they can be eradicated quickly and thoroughly by calling Service Section, phone 43328, and informing the section of the infested location.

Opera Costumes Hidden In Mines Used in U.S. Zone

Some 200,000 satin, ruffled gowns, powdered wigs, suits of armor and other costumes and stage properties which were evacuated from Berlin to the salt mines of Heimbildshausen, near Herfeld, for safe-keeping are to be used by American Military Government for theatrical productions in the U. S. Zone.

Formerly the property of the leading operas and theaters of Berlin, the costumes were evacuated to the mines during 1944 and 1945. They are of every design and period style.

Upon the arrival of American troops in the area and before the posting of a security guard, displaced persons who had been employed by the Germans to deposit the material in the mines entered the shaft containing the costumes and did considerable damage to the collection. Subsequently additional items were removed by American Army personnel for GI shows.

In August, 1945, authorization was granted by the regional Military Governor in compliance with the request of the USFET Information Control Division to remove for delivery to Information Control, Berlin, costumes for the operas "Eugen Onegin," "La Boheme," "Orpheus and Euridice," "Tales of Hoffmann," "Rigoletto," "Madame Butterfly," "Fidelio," and "Othello." Anyone who has attended the opera in Berlin during the past winter will recognize this list as the program presented by the Staatsoper and the Staedische Oper.

The final disposition of the costumes has been decided by Information Control. They are to be kept as a possession of American Military Government, but German theatrical and operatic companies in the American Zone will be allowed to have use of them.

Wireless Photo Service to U.S. Starts

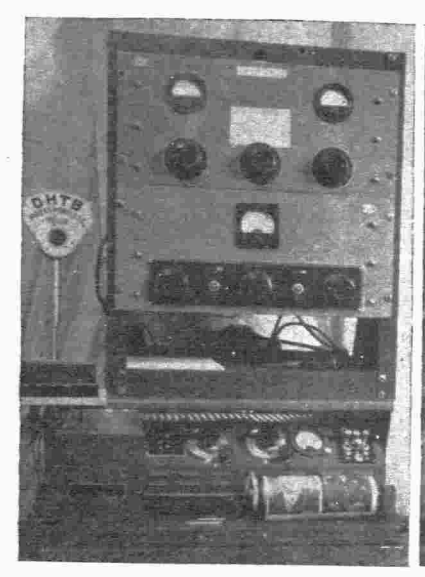
Snapshots taken in front of Berlin landmarks may now be wired to the States and delivered to addressees as quickly as cablegrams.

The wire-photo service was inaugurated here last Friday with the transmission of four photographs to New York from where they were delivered to the homes of GIs. The first pictures were sent by Press Center clerks, Pvt. Charles Myler to Muskegon, Mich., Pvt. Stanley Gorski to Brooklyn, Pvt. John O'Brien to Syracuse, N. Y. and Pvt. Harold Stewart to Pulaski, N. Y.

Philipp Voss, in charge of the press wireless section at the Press Camp Center, announced that this new service is open to all military personnel, American civilians and Allies who wish to send photographs to the States.

The wire-photo service is by no means new. It was first started soon after invasion day in France, but was used for official business only. It continued to follow our troops during the war and was in operation after V-E day until it was forced to close last September due to lack of parts.

A few weeks ago the Press Center in New York arranged for Press Wireless to resume the wire-photo service in Berlin. The same wireless apparatus used since D-day was set



The wireless photo machine sends photos like that of Pvt. Stanley Gorski from Berlin to New York in eight minutes.



up with repairs. With great difficulty, parts were obtained and with the help of operators, Morris Shanahan and George Glenn from the Press Wire Center office, service was finally resumed. New York stated that the first photographs were transmitted in excellent condition.

Anyone wishing to send a photograph to the States will find the operators on duty 24 hours a day.

The charge is four marks per square inch and the photo must not be larger than 7 by 8 inches. Transmission takes only eight minutes to New York.

Plans are being made to provide facilities for families and friends in the U. S. to send wire-photos here to Berlin. Little information is available on this at present as the lack of equipment is severe.