

Zone DPs Refuse Iron Curtain Homes

FRANKFURT, Jan. 4 (UP)—Crammed into American-occupied Germany today are more than 200,000 displaced persons who refuse to return to their homelands behind the "Iron Curtain."

Thirty-two months after V-E Day, another 100,000 are just as determined to leave Germany soon and forever. These are the Jews, the overwhelming majority of whom aim for Palestine. These figures are taken from a 1947 year-end report, issued by the Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organization, covering operations in the U. S. Zone.

France Shifts Control Over Saar Area

PARIS, Jan. 4 (AP)—Authorized sources said yesterday that "France has abandoned the direct administration" of the Saar in changing the title of her governor there, Col. Gilbert Grandval to that of French high commissioner.

Grandval's job, it was stated, is changed from one of administering the territory to "supervising the administration, which is turned over to the Saarlanders themselves."

The same source said France, however, is maintaining her claims to ownership of the Saar's coal mines, which are theoretically the property of the non-existent German state. The French are now administering the coveted mines, as they did for 15 years under League of Nations auspices until the Saar voted to return to Germany in a 1935 plebiscite.

In a judicial agreement just signed, French economic and financial jurisdiction was extended to the Saar territory. A mixed French-Saar Court of Appeals was created, subject to the Court of Cassation in Paris. Frenchmen living in the Saar were given the same rights in court as they enjoy in France.

Briton Sentenced For Berlin Visit

HAMBURG, Jan. 4 (AP)—Douglas Buckley, 20, a discharged British soldier, admitted changing identities with a serving British soldier so as to visit his girl friend in Berlin and was given a suspended sentence of 28 days imprisonment in the Herford control commission court for illegally entering the British Zone of Germany.

In a statement to the military police, Buckley, who pleaded guilty, said he was discharged from the 2nd Bn. of the Wiltshire Regt. last August and went to live at Ashford, Middlesex, England.

Buckley admitted five previous convictions in the United Kingdom. His sentence was suspended for seven days on condition that he leave Germany immediately and undertake not to return to the British Zone for five years.

Berlin Paper Shortage Cited

BERLIN, Jan. 4 (S&S)—The paper shortage in Berlin has become so acute that postal authorities warned today that they will be unable to issue new 1948 telephone books unless subscribers collect and hand in scrap paper.

Social Democrats Ask 'Trial' Of Nazi 'Anti-Semitic' Film

HAMBURG, Jan. 4 (AP)—German Social Democrats have demanded that a German film be put on trial before a jury of prominent local citizens. The film is "Jew Sues" made by Goebbels' orders in 1939. The charge is anti-Semitism.

The audience, composed of politicians, trade unionists and others, would be invited to vote on the film, a Social Democrat spokesman said.

The spokesman said the object of

such a vote would be to clear up the controversy over recent exoneration by a denazification panel of the film's director, Veit Harlan. Several organizations, including the Social Democrats, the League of Victims of Nazi Persecution and denazification officials themselves protested the acquittal. Harlan claimed his film was "factual" and not anti-Semitic in intent.

The city council is considering the Social Democrat request.

The report lists 326,588 persons still classified as displaced. Of these, 203,628 had prewar homes in what is now Russian-dominated territory.

Another 79,868 are made up of Balts from Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

Russians themselves total only 2,709. Displaced persons from other Russian satellite areas include: Yugoslavia, 4,940; Bulgaria, 25; Czechoslovakia, 126; Czech-Ukrainian, 206; Finland, 3; Hungary, 94; Romania, 216. There are also several hundred Germans and Austrians under PCIRO jurisdiction in Germany.

Two-thirds of the zonal DPs are concentrated in Bavaria. This applies also to the Jews. Of the 111,046 zonal total, 63,730 live in this province. There are more than 100 Jewish communities, the largest with 5,652 residents at Pocking in eastern Bavaria.

In addition to the above, PCIRO still carries on its displaced lists citizens of more than 40 nations, including the U. S., Britain, Canada, Argentina, Australia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, China, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq and Lebanon.

8,550 DPs Repatriated, Resettled From Italy

ROME, Jan. 4 (UP)—The Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organization announced today that 8,550 displaced persons of 37 nationalities were repatriated or resettled from Italy during 1947.

Of these 3,502 were repatriated and 3,048 emigrated. The largest national group repatriated was Polish, totalling 3,008.

Others sent home included 1,181 Yugoslavs, 467 Greeks, 418 Hungarians, 74 Czechs, 92 Russians, 37 Austrians, 28 Chinese and 20 Albanians.

Those resettled in other countries were led by 1,183 Yugoslavs, 634 Poles, 150 Russians, 108 Greeks, 98 Hungarians, 88 Romanians, 86 Czechs and 59 Austrians. These included the 1,040 who left yesterday for Argentina aboard the Santa Cruz.

GYA Fetes Huebner

FRANKFURT, Jan. 4 (Special)—Lt. Gen. Clarence R. Huebner was the guest of honor at a GYA Holiday show held in the Garmisch Festsaal.

Warm Clothing for Needy Germans



Some of the garments collected for needy German families in a campaign organized by Rhine-Main GYA officer Capt. Milton Roeloffs. Among those who helped in the drive, left to right, are Mrs. J. F. Wear, Mrs. R. E. Buckwalter, Mrs. L. G. Eakes, Mrs. E. K. Hensch and Harry Wienand. —PIO

Occupation Briefs

Air Observers Trained In New Trieste Course

TRIESTE, Jan. 4 (S&S)—Capt. Ejner J. Fulsang, Jr., of Homewood, Ill., who commands TRUST's tiny airstrip, has initiated an aerial observation course for six American officers and one British officer.

The course planned and developed by Fulsang carries no credit but was designed to develop air observers among TRUST personnel. It consists of two hours' ground work and 15 hours in the air. At its completion students are expected to understand air reconnaissance and be sufficiently familiar with flying so they could land a plane should the need arise.

Aiding Fulsang as instructors are the field's other two pilots, Lt. Peon L. Bobo, of Atlanta, and Lt. James L. Littell, of Burdeen, Kan.

The first group of students, nearly all of whom are former artillery officers, consists of Maj. Leonard Shannon, of Wichita, Kan.; Capt. Lloyd Highsmith, of Lawton, Okla.; Lt. Ralph Henderson, of Chickasha, Okla.; Lt. Howard Smith, of Marietta, Ohio; Lt. Edward Gammon, of East St. Louis, Ill.; and Lt. Randall Pratt, of Plymouth, Conn.

Lt. Freddie Wolstancroft, of Blackpool, Lancashire, is the representative of British Troops.

Neither Did S&S

PARIS, Jan. 4 (S&S)—Folies Bergere chorus cuties never realized *The Stars and Stripes* had so many photographers, nor for that matter did *The Stars and Stripes*.

A former *Stripes* artist, now working in Paris, told one shapely mademoiselle while sketching her backstage that he used to be with the soldier newspaper. The skeptical reply was:

"Oh, you too. If I've posed for one American photographer or artist I've posed for 500, and they all said they were *Stars and Stripes* men. You know I think the American Army and not the Folies ought to start paying us girls."

Teletype Circuit Readied

BREMERHAVEN, Jan. 4 (S&S)—Bremerhaven Port of Embarkation teletype station is near completion here and is expected to begin operation within the next several weeks, port officials announced today.

The station, located in the BPE troop staging area, will be in direct communication with Frankfurt and will be used to maintain close liaison with the theater headquarters concerning the occupation port's operation.

Twelve 70-foot high steel towers, two administrative and two power

buildings were constructed to house the unit.

Only nonrestricted messages requiring speedy transmission will be handled by the new station, which will supplement BPE's wire teletypes.

Sirens Lure Workers

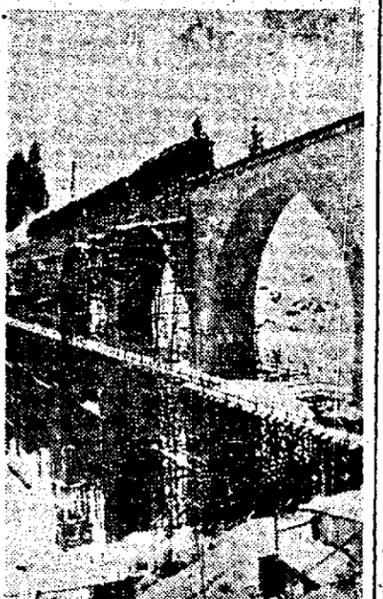
FRANKFURT, Jan. 4 (UP)—Germany's campaign to enlist Bavarians for work in Ruhr coal mines has been given an unwitting assist by women who lure young Bavarian boys to share their Ruhr apartments for extra meat and potatoes, the Rhein Neckar Zeitung reported today.

"Loose and frivolous women," offer these young men the opportunity of sharing their apartments in return for extra rations which German miners receive, the paper said, Miners get 4,000 calories a day compared with the official 1,550 for other Germans.

DP Labor Center Opened

FRANKFURT, Jan. 4 (S&S)—A labor service replacement center has been established at Ludendorff Kaserne, Fulda, to process DPs for employment in civilian guard and technical labor service units, EUCOM announced.

The center will provide replacements to offset guard and labor service unit losses.



The first train takes honorary guests across the Black Forest's newly-repaired Ravenna viaduct. The French Zone train bridge had been destroyed in the last days of the war. —INP/DENA

Rightist Bloc Call Parley of Six Nations

By TOM REEDY

MUNICH, Jan. 4 (AP)—A campaign to organize anti-Communist political leaders of all Western Europe into a solid bloc has been opened by the conservative part of a half dozen countries, it was learned here yesterday.

Top spokesmen of all the so-called "Christian" parties have been invited to a conference in Luxembourg on Jan. 30 to draft an international program.

France, Italy, Belgium, Denmark, Switzerland and Germany will be represented at the meeting. Other nations have not been listed, certain to be represented.

Kaiser on List

Invitations went out from French group backed by the Popular Republican Movement.

Germany will be represented by Jakob Kaiser, co-chairman of Christian Democratic Union in Soviet Zone; Dr. Joseph Muellner, Christian Socialist Union chairman in Bavaria, and Dr. Konrad Adenauer, CSU leader in the British Zone.

Mueller said the planned conference is intended simply to solidify parties that espouse the same political doctrines.

The fact is, though, that various factions involved all avowed anti-Communist and many cases closely linked with the Church.

GI Gets 6 Months In Truck Crash

SUMMARY OF COURTS MARTIA Vehicle accidents—offenders and influence of intoxicants.

1. VEHICLE ACCIDENT: EM: November 1947: 1146 Lbr. Sv. C. CON 228-107

SUMMARY: Pfc Willard Tackett 45032623, while driving 2 1/2-ton truck was driving too fast over rough road when he lost control of the vehicle and ran into tree. Tackett was on unauthorized trip and driving while under influence of alcohol, procured from unknown sources.

ACTION TAKEN: Tackett was tried by Special Court Martial No. 28, 1947, for violation of 96th AW and sentenced to 6 months' confinement at hard labor, forfeiture of 1/2 of his pay and allowances for a like period and to be reduced to grade of private. In addition, Report of Survey by Capt. S. O'Rourke, 6-1011252, LSC, held Tackett pecuniarily liable for damages of \$221.82 to U. S. vehicle. Approved by CG, U. S. Constabulary.

2. VEHICLE ACCIDENT: EM: October 1947: Hq. & Sv. Tp., Constabulary: CON 225-107

SUMMARY: T/5 John M. Lyons while under influence of alcohol, was driving west on Foresterreiderstrasse in Munich on an unauthorized trip when he lost control of vehicle and crashed into a support of a railroad overpass.

ACTION TAKEN: Lyons was held responsible for accident and was tried by Special Court Martial and sentenced to 3 months' confinement at hard labor and to forfeit \$50 of his pay per month for a period of 3 months. His driver's license was revoked and a Report of Survey was initiated holding him pecuniarily liable for \$365.83 in damages to U. S. vehicle. Approved by CG, U. S. Constabulary.

Hessian Children Send Truman Book

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (INS)—President Truman has received book conveying the thanks of 320,000 undernourished children in the province of Hesse, Germany, who have been cared for by the U. S. during the past year.

The book was sent by Christian Stock, minister-president of Hesse, and Dr. Erwin Stein, Hessian minister of education. A letter in the book said much distress had been alleviated through the relief work many young people have been protected from sickness, and added "many of them it has meant life itself."