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ODT Hits Army for Secrecy

They Don't Tell Us of Arrivals, Claim

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — Americans who have taken a hard, realistic attitude in dealing with the German civilian population and no crocodile tears are shed over their hardships, American Military Governor Col. Frank L. Howley said today.

This will be the outcome of the controversial situation unless the Senate War Investigating Committee, whose chairman Mr. Truman used to be, can get the army and civilian transportation agencies to cooperate.

Chairman James M. Mead, (D-N.Y.), said the committee condemns the army's failure to keep the Office of Defense Transportation (ODT) and other agencies fully informed so that they can arrange adequate transportation.

'No Interest'

The committee's hearing Friday brought out the fact that the army doesn't see that ODT has any real interest in the matter and doesn't understand how daily knowledge of troop arrivals could help ODT arrange better rail transportation.

Furthermore, the war department is refusing to speed the discharge of skilled railroad workers eligible under the point system even though Col. J. Monroe Johnson, ODT director, testified last week that manpower is starting, he said.

French are 'Guests'

He explained that the French still are without an occupation area in Berlin, but their delegates are guests at meetings of the inter-Axis control group or Kommandatura where they enter into discussions but do not vote.

Howley disclosed that Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks, commander of U.S. occupation forces in Berlin, will replace Russian Col. Gen. Alexander Korbatow as chairman of the Kommandatura Aug. 1 under a rotation plan. Similarly,

Relations meanwhile among the four powers "could not be better," he said. "The Russians have played their cards right across the board and all suspicion is gone."

May Bring Food In

Howley spoke bluntly of the food situation: "If we bring food into Berlin, the only reason is that we don't want their (German) rotten corpses to infect our troops."

He said that a minimum of food, coal and certain fuels would be brought into Berlin "but not stuff from the United States." And that all requirements have been cut to a minimum.

"There will be many times that the Germans won't be able to get all the food that is on their ration cards. The people in Berlin probably will get less food than other Germans because they don't have other food to supplement what is on the ration cards."

All of the Germans in the American area have roofs over their heads, but naturally they are crowded—not enough to create a health hazard.

3 Killed in Fire at Chicago Hotel

CHICAGO — (U.P.) — Three persons were killed and two others critically injured in a fire that broke out early today in the Thomas hotel.

The dead were Elmer Pearson, 30; Gust Wicklund, 26, and Clarence Nordlund, 22, all of Superior.

The truck was owned by the Holm Roofing Co., and witnesses said it was moving at about 50 miles an hour when attempts were made to warn its occupants of their danger. The accident occurred on Highway 73.

State Board Registers Engineers, Architect

The Wisconsin registration board of architects and professional engineers registered two Madison men as professional engineers in Wisconsin recently and one Madison man as an architect, according to Mrs. Josephine V. Hughes, acting secretary. The engineers were Harold L. Lautz, 1707 Regent st., and John W. Medlin, 1513 University ave. LeRoy O. Anderson, 103 Lathrop st., was the architect.

Loose Grating Gives Woman Cut on Leg

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — An emergency board of the national railway labor panel has awarded wage increases ranging from \$7.50 a month to \$11.70 for ground radio operators employed by the American Airlines, Northwest Airlines, and Braniff airways.

For 287 operators employed by American airlines, the board granted \$7.50 instead of \$12.30 requested by both company and the employees in a joint application.

The board awarded \$8.08 to 95 Northwest airline employees. Company and employees had asked \$18.32.

The award to 60 Braniff operators was \$11.70 compared to \$12.17 requested.

1,250,000 Workers Struck in Six Months

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — The labor department has reported that there were 2,310 strikes involving 1,250,000 workers in the first six months of 1945. The number of strikes was 229 fewer than last year's all-time record.

The department's bureau of labor statistics estimated that strikes cost 6,580,000 man-days of working time, for 15-100 of 1 per cent of the available working time.

"Not all of this time was lost, however, as much of it was made up through overtime and work on holidays," the bureau said.

Watson Hits Choice of Canadian for Post

Ald. Donald Watson thinks Madison is in bad shape when it cannot find a publicity assistant for the city library out of a total of 130,000,000 people in the United States without picking one from Canada. The finance committee reported that Frances Gowen, Winnipeg, Canada, is the only qualified candidate available for the position.

"We have 130,000,000 people in this country and among them are many graduate journalists," said Watson. "It seems funny that we must go to Canada to find someone for the position. This job is not so important that it must be filled now. Besides, in her letter, Miss Gowen wanted to know if after retirement she would be able to draw her pension if she returned to Canada. That shows she does not intend to make her permanent home in this country."

The band concert for me folks at that ball game is over in time the concert is at 11 a.m. at the Truxx Memorial which was dedicated last spring.

Don't need no passes to get off the field neither with all those gates won't have no trouble finding Washington avenue if it ain't too dark when I take off.

Take your car folks Capt. Will Marshall he is chief of police at Truxx says there is plenty room to park.

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