

Brig. Gen. Frank L. Howley, director of OMG Berlin Sector and commandant of the US Sector of Berlin, receives the star of his new rank from General Lucius D. Clay, US Military Governor for Germany and commander-in-chief of the European Command.

(US Army photo)

Personnel Changes are Announced

Col. John M. Raymond, director of the Legal Division, OMGUS, for the past year, returned to the United States for retirement after 32 years of military service. He had been with Military Government since 1944. His home is in Washington, D. C.

Prof. William E. McCurdy, now on leave from Harvard University where he is professor of law, has been named acting director of the Legal Division, OMGUS. He had been associate director for the past year and previously was chief of the Legal Advice Branch.

Lt. Col. George H. Garde, adjutant general of OMGUS since March 1946, returned to Washington for new duties with the Department of the Army. He has spent 21 years in military service. His mother resides in St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Mr. Douglas M. Clarke, chief of the Highway Equipment Branch, BICO, for the past year, has moved to Geneva, Switzerland, to assume new duties as highway transportation adviser for the Economic Commission for Europe. His home is in Fenton, Mich.

Col. H. R. Booth, assistant inspector general, CINCEUR, since March 1947, has left Berlin for a new assignment on the staff of the Inspector General in Washington. His mother resides in Denver, Colo.

Mr. Jesse W. Callahan, former member of the Dallas, Texas, police



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department, has been named chief the Public Safety Branch, OMG Hesse, to succeed Mr. Hubert I. Teitelbaum who recently returned to United States, Mr. Callahan has been with Military Government since 1945.

Mr. George D. Hecht has been appointed chief of the US Information Center in Wiesbaden. Previous to his appointment he taught at the European Command Intelligence School at Oberammergau, Bavaria.

Awards Presented For Special Work

Mr. Joseph A. Horne received an award from the Netherlands government in appreciation for his services as a member of the OMG Hesse Property Division. Mr. Horne assisted in the return and restitution of objects of art, which the Nazis had looted form the Netherlande government and its citizens. He is now chief of the American Information Center in Frankfurt.

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Maj Gen. Charles P. Gross, director of OMG Wuerttemberg-Baden, presented on behalf of the European Command the Medal of Freedom with bronze palm to Mr. Guillaume Widmer, military governor of South Wuerttemberg in the French Zone of Occupation. General Gross also presented the Medal of Freedom to Mr. Jean Henri Gerville-Reache, chief of the French Liaison Mission to OMGWB.

The citation for Mr. Widmer stated that he exhibited "utmost patience, fidelity, understanding and resource" in coordinating French and US policy on problems arising from the division of Wuerttemberg and Baden as parts of the French and US occupation zones. Mr. Reache was also cited for contributing to the solution of "a variety of delicate problems" arising from the division of the two states.

Sgt. Gabrial Hendricks, chief of the Court Transcript and Mimeograph Branches, Reproduction Division, Office of the Chief of Council for War Crimes in Nuremberg, has been awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon for "meritorious achievement."

Sergeant Hendricks was cited for his "exceptionally fine spirit and indefatigable industry" in his war crimes position from Dec. 1, 1946, to Aug. 1, 1948. At the peak of the war crimes trial his office produced German and English transcripts simultaneously for six trials.

Court transcripts for the 12 cases tried before US Military Tribunal total 132,835 pages and 33,213,750 words of English text. In German text the transcripts contain 133,416 pages and 33,354,000 words.