

Personnel Notes

JEIA Chief Retires

William John Logan resigned as director general of the Joint Export-Import Agency after two-year service. To fill the vacancy in JEIA which is now in liquidation was named Morris S. Verner, Jr., who had been deputy for operations since November 1948.

In accepting the resignation on Jan. 5, US High Commissioner John J. McCloy said:

"As the famous JEIA goes into liquidation you can well consider your labors with this organization as having been completed. The variety and quantity of German trade which was regulated through this agency is not appreciated by many, nor are the complex problems which the establishment and maintenance of the agency presented. Due to your expert experience and good judgment you were able to maintain a steady improvement in the German trade position. Even though many people are not aware of and will never be aware of all the work that was done, you can take great personal satisfaction in your administration of this very difficult task."

Mr. Logan stated that he plans to return with Mrs. Logan to Washington, D.C., to retire from both government service and private business. In Germany since December 1947, he was called to Japan last fall to advise General MacArthur's staff on methods of transferring responsibility in the foreign trade field to Japanese individuals and private enterprise.

JEIA, which has transferred the main body of its foreign trade responsibilities to the German federal government, is in the process of liquidation. The record of its accomplishments can be summed up by citing the 500 percent increase in western Germany's exports over the past two years. In 1947, the country's exports totaled only \$200,000,000, of which 70 percent was coal. In 1949, the export total had climbed to more than \$1,200,000,000,



Norma Jane Johnson, soprano soloist, and Peter Harrower, baritone, sing a duet with the Georgia Tech Glee Club, in Rhine/Main Air Base's Gateway Theater, to open a three-week series of concerts in Germany, Austria and Tripoli sponsored by Eucom Special Services. (US Army photo)

of which less than 30 percent was coal and in spite of the mark devaluation and its attendant effect upon exports.

2 Associate Justices Named

Two new associate justices were appointed to the Court of Appeals and one judge to the newly-created Court of Restitutions Appeals in the US court system in Germany, effective Jan. 1.

Judge H. Lloyd Ericsson and Judge Fred J. Cohn were named associate justices of the Court of Appeals, and Judge Peter J. Flanagan was appointed to the Court of Restitution Appeals. At present, Judge Ericsson is temporary special assistant to the General Counsel, HICOG; Judge Cohn is the chief presiding judge for Hesse in the US court system and Judge Flanagan is a member of the Board of Review.

In addition to serving as a member of the Court of Appeals, Judge Cohn has been designated president of the Court of Restitutions Appeals.

The court system, formerly known as the Military Government Courts for Germany, was redesignated as "United States Courts of the Allied High Commission for Germany" in a law signed by the US High Commissioner Dec. 28.

The present members of the Court of Appeals are Chief Justice William Clark, and Associate Justices Juan S. Sedillo, Carl W. Fulghum, Marc J. Robinson, Thomas H. Goodman and Justin W. Harding. A ninth associate justice is to be appointed.

Airlift Official Commended

William A. Fagan, chief of the Transportation Branch, HICOG, was awarded an official commendation certificate and medal Dec. 20 for exceptional performance of duty in connection with his work in the Berlin Air Lift. The presentation was made by Maj. Gen. George P. Hays, deputy US high commissioner for Germany.

According to the official citation, signed by Gordon Gray, Secretary of the Army, Mr. Fagan was commended for exceptional performance of duty as US chairman of the Berlin Airlift Coordinating Committee, Oct. 1948 to July 25, 1949. In this capacity he demonstrated exceptional ability in the performance of unusual and difficult tasks in organizing, coordinating and controlling the balanced flow of supplies by rail and road to the eight airfields serving Berlin, the citation read.

US Tenor Gives Recitals

Frederic Morton, an American tenor who gave his first European concert in Salzburg last year, is giving a series of recitals in the US Zone under the sponsorship of the Information Centers Branch of HICOG. Exact dates and locations of each of his concerts will be announced locally. The tentative schedule includes Jan. 30 to Feb. 17 in Bavaria; Feb. 20 to March 2 in Wuerttemberg-Baden, and March 3 to 19 in Berlin and Bremen. Mr. Morton's program includes songs by Haendel, Mozart, Schubert, Brahms, Debussy and Richard Strauss. He will also sing selections from Puccini, and will include songs by Samuel Barber and other Americans.



Bishop John Cody, Catholic religious leader of St. Louis, Mo., recently arrived in Hesse to make a study of religious and social resurgence in postwar Germany. Shown welcoming him are (left) Dr. James R. Newman, Land Commissioner, Hesse, and (right) Dr. George F. Donovan, religious affairs chief, OLC Hesse. (PRB OLC photo)

Bishop Cody Tours Zone

Bishop John P. Cody of St. Louis, Mo., visited the US Zone to survey occupation activities in the fields of adult education, youth activities, religious seminaries and theology faculties. Bishop Cody visited more than 10 German cities and conferred with a number of HICOG religious officials and with Catholic cardinals and bishops. He was appointed to make the survey by the Catholic Bishops' Conference which met in Washington, D. C., last November.

ECA Mission Official Promoted

Martin M. Tank, deputy chief of the Program Division of the ECA Special Mission to Western Germany, became chief of the Northern Countries Section, Program Division, Office of Special Representative, ECA, Paris. In Germany since October 1947, he had served with the Economics Division, OMGUS, in Berlin, as economist and later chief of the Bizonal Delegation to the OEEC in Paris.

Autobahn Mishap Fatal

Virgil Larson of the staff of the Combined Travel Board in Stuttgart, was killed when the automobile in which he was riding crashed Dec. 14 into an unlighted German trailer parked on the highway near Herford.

Fifteen American newspaper editors who made a four-day tour of Germany are shown on their arrival at Rhine/Main Air Base Jan. 14. L-r, front row, they are Forrest W. Seymour, editorial writer, Des Moines Register and Tribune; John W. Love, associate editor, Cleveland Press; Wallis K. McArdle, associate editor, San Francisco Chronicle; Sevelon Brown III, associate editor, Providence Journal and Bulletin; Carroll Binder, editorial writer, Minneapolis Tribune; Michael Bradshaw, associate editor, Toledo Blade; M. H. William, executive editor, Worcester Telegram and Gazette; Edward H. Lindsay, editor, Decatur Herald; back row, John P. Harris, editor, Hutchinson News-Herald; Robert S. Bates, editor and publisher, Meadville Tribune-Republican; Alvand S. Dunkleberger, editor, Nashville Banner; G. Prescott Low, editor and publisher, Quincy Patriot-Ledger; C. B. Lartz, publisher, Sharon Herald; William P. McDowell, associate editor, Sharon Herald; and Samuel W. Miller, editor, Allentown Call and Chronicle. (Photo by Jacoby, PRD HICOG)

Two British occupation personnel, also riding in the same car, died later of injuries.

Mr. Larson had been with Military Government in Stuttgart since 1945 when, as a warrant officer, he served in the Officers' Personnel Section of OMG Wuertemberg-Baden. Later he worked for the OMGWB Reports and Statistical Division. At the time of the accident, he was on temporary duty with the CTB in Herford, British Zone.

Memorial services were held Dec. 28 in the Crossroads Service Club Chapel in Stuttgart with Chaplain W. H. Bergherm officiating. Assisting was the Rev. Dwight B. Horner, chief of the US Information Centers Section, OLC Wuertemberg-Baden.

First WAVE in EUCOM

EUCOM Headquarters in Heidelberg now has on its staff the first WAVE officer to be permanently assigned to the European Command. She is Lt. Renee Bachhuber of St. Louis, M., who has become administrative assistant to Capt. Harold N. Duryea, US Naval liaison officer. Her assignment to Germany follows seven years' service in Washington D. C.



Educator Returning to Wayne U.

Dr. Marion Edman has left Munich for the United States after serving three and a half years in Bavaria on the public education staff of the Office of Military Government and later the Office of State Commissioner. She will rejoin the faculty of Wayne University in Detroit, Mich., from which she has been on leave of absence.

The educator devoted much of her time in the development of young teachers' organizations and on-the-job training for educators. She also was credited with having laid the ground work for child psychology centers in Bavaria, and a new organization of elementary teacher education.

Ruth Felfe Going to Washington

A German OLC Hesse secretary left for the United States Jan. 4 to accept a job as secretary to the German ERP delegation in Washington, D. C. when Ruth Felfe, 37-year-old former secretary to the chief of the OLC Public Health and Public Welfare Branch, was selected for the position from among many applicants.

