

Status of Repatriates

Who Wed Germans

The Netherlands Government is now refusing to repatriate any Netherlands subject who, after May 9, 1940, married a German or Austrian woman in Germany or any other country occupied by the Germans, Military Government detachments were informed by USFET cable.

Such persons can, however, send written application to the Netherlands Minister of Justice to legalize their marriage and to be admitted to the Netherlands.

Any Netherlands national who has married a woman of other than German, Austrian or Netherlands nationality after May 9, 1940 in Germany or any other country occupied by the Germans will be admitted temporarily to the Netherlands to show proof of marriage. If admitted for this latter purpose, he will be permitted to leave the country if he so desires.

JUGOSLAVS SET DEADLINE

The loss of Yugoslav nationality, in accordance with a law enacted in that country August 23rd of this year, has been outlined to USFET by the Chief Yugoslav Liaison Officer.

Nationality will be lost by the following categories of persons, who have refused to return to their homeland during the mass repatriation program, if they fail to declare their readiness to be repatriated prior to December 15th, 1945: Officers and non-commissioned officers of the former Yugoslav Army, prisoners of war and internees; and members of mili-

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tary formations who fought against the Yugoslav Liberation Army and left Yugoslavia either with the withdrawing enemy or before that time.

Property Control Clarified

The property of persons removed from office or designated as hostile to Allied purposes need not initially be taken into control (custody) by Military Government Property Control, it has been announced by USFET.

But the local Military Government Officer may, if he deems it advisable, take such property into control and appoint a temporary custodian at the time any such person is removed or designated as hostile.

If property is taken into control or retained in control under orders from Military District Headquarters, it will be operated by a custodian to be appointed by Military Government. The Bürgermeister or other appropriate local authority should be required to suggest the individuals by whom the property shall be operated.

To Heat DP Box Cars

The Polish repatriation movement will continue during the cold weather, and an order has been issued from USFET

for all box cars to be heated effective November 16th. TSFET Main is responsible for supplying stoves, flues and other equipment for installation in such cars, and the Polish Government will furnish the coal.

Forest Cut Set at 150%

Regional detachments have been directed by USFET to notify German regional forestry officers that the annual cut for the forestry year 1945-1946 is tentatively set at 150 per cent of the annual forestry growth.

U. S. Businessmen Coming

Policy has been established for the admission of a limited number of United States businessmen into Germany, subject to specific procedures and limitations imposed by the State and War Departments and USFET.

For the present, not more than 100 businessmen will be admitted in any one month. It is expected they will travel individually or in small groups and that only a relatively small number will be in any locality at a given time. Offices of Military Government at Military Districts and lower echelons have been notified by USFET that they will furnish specified facilities and services to such businessmen in the field. Use will be made, wherever possible, of German vehicles, clerical assistance, drivers and similar facilities and personnel, for which businessmen will be expected to pay the normal commercial rate direct to German agencies or individuals.

Adaptation of Gas Producers

German authorities responsible for highway transport have been instructed to secure all producer gas equipment available and in working order, whether new or already used.

If the adaptation of this equipment is possible, it is to be used on motor trucks, tractors, passenger busses and automobiles. With the view to reducing the imports of liquid motor fuels for German civilian needs, USFET has directed that every measure will be taken to carry out the conversion of vehicles consuming liquid fuels into vehicles which can use solid fuels.

Welfare Officers To Meet

A meeting of Military Government public welfare officers will held at USFET Headquarters Friday and Saturday, November 30th and December 1st .

Not Mandatory Removals

Persons who have been Blockwalter or lower in the NS Volkswohlfahrt (NSV) or Blockwart or lower in the Reichsluftschutzbund (RLB) are not to be interpreted as officials of such organizations and subject to mandatory removal. Instead, they are to be classed in the discretionary removal category.

The term official as applied to other NS organizations, however, shall continue to include all persons whose functions or responsibilities in the organization entailed any duty or authority beyond that of an ordinary member.