

Educator Addresses
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By JOHN WILSON

American progress in the reformation of German education, which had gained considerable momentum in the three years since 1945, suffered a serious breakdown last April with the Russian refusal to co-operate. This is the present appraisal of American educational efforts in a Germany split between conflicting political philosophies made by Dr. Leo J. Brueckner, chief of elementary education, Office of Military Government, U.S. Germany.

Dr. Brueckner, who returned from Berlin in September, gave his realistic account of the situation in The Times and before the two-day convention of the Central Association of Science and Mathematics Teachers, Inc., which ended yesterday.

Program Takes 20 Years
American occupation of Germany should continue at least 20 years more before real success can be brought about in the country's educational program, the former University of Minnesota professor said.

Much of the American educational efforts depend upon continuation and strengthening of democratic precepts in the United States. Dr. Brueckner pointed out there is a feeling in Germany that Americans are not really democratic.

Germans believe this fact because of conditions in the South, intermittent strikes and the slums found in the large cities.

Speaking on the Russian problem, Dr. Brueckner said the situation is "worse" than the newspapers tell you. Young people must be passed by a Communist board before becoming students at the University of Berlin.

Reds Bear Down

Teachers in the Russian zone have to become Communists. Workers who fail to attend specified meetings are discharged. That is why the Russian demonstrations draw crowds of 10,000, he said.

The Russian press ridicules and belittles the Americans and British. German officials fear Russian reprisals because of working with the Americans.

Before the problem became so acute, American educators were making headway in the restoration of German schools and its accompanying problems of hiring teachers and getting new school books.

At the end of World War II American officials found no educational program in Germany, Dr. Brueckner said. Buildings had been destroyed, few books were available and Nazi teachers were barred from teaching.

By late in 1945, however, practically all children of school age were in schools, Dr. Brueckner said. Free school lunches were instituted and current events were taught instead of the history books.

Teaching Staff Is Small
A hampering factor in the educational reform is the present small OMGS staff, the educator said. Less than 35 American educational administrators are stationed in Germany now.

The American plan, however, is to get the Germans themselves to make the educational reforms, to write their own textbooks, to recruit their own teachers.

The task of increasing and recruiting a better type of personnel was handled ably by President Herman B. Wells of Indiana University in his recent job as German educational advisor, Dr. Brueckner said.

Expresses Hope

Dr. Brueckner did see a ray of light in the situation, pointing to the effective education of farmers, the air-lift feeding of Berliners and the gradual solution of the teacher problem.

We are making many mistakes, Dr. Brueckner said, but the Germans are seeing the disadvantages of the Eastern beliefs compared to Western ideas. In a recent Berlin election only 5 per cent voted Communistic.

**Petrillo to Head
Inaugural Show**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (UP) — James C. Petrillo, president of the American Federation of Musicians, has been selected to whip together a giant inaugural eve entertainment show in honor of President Truman.

Mr. Petrillo's appointment as music chairman of the National Participation Committee for the inaugural was announced tonight by Melvin D. Hildreth, general chairman of the inaugural committee.

Mr. Truman will be inaugurated Jan. 20. The show in his honor will be held in Washington's National Guard Armory the night of Jan. 19.

Inaugural officials didn't say who will be on the program. But they promised three hours of continuous entertainment, featuring a symphonic orchestra, opera stars, "name" bands, popular singers and "a parade of the top comedians and stars of stage screen and radio."

Two stages are being constructed in the armory so the show can be kept moving without a break. Special lighting and acoustical equipment will be installed "to provide every facility of a modern theater."

The President will have a special box in the armory gallery, flanked by boxes for other distinguished guests.

Mr. Petrillo, the announcement said, wired the President the day after the election and offered his services to "make your inauguration a day of harmony in music as it will most certainly be in our nation's history."

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Speaks on Reich



Stepping on Toes Brings Fatal Shot

Chicagoan Killed In Alley by Pair

CHICAGO, Nov. 27 (UP) — Joseph Grzeda, 27, accidentally stepped on another man's toes today, but Grzeda's apologies were not accepted and he was shot and killed.

Mr. Grzeda was in a sandwich shop when he stepped on the toes of another customer. The customer and his companion followed Mr. Grzeda out of the shop and into an alley, where Mr. Grzeda was shot and killed.

A police squad found Charles Tanthorey, 26, standing over the body with a gun in his hand. The companion, Raymond Fasetti, 40, Tanthorey's brother-in-law, was nearby. Both were arrested.

Dr. Leo J. Brueckner . . .
"American occupation of Germany for 20 years."

Civilian Receives Army Commission



Myron Davis Smith, Terre Haute, first civilian commissioned as second lieutenant here under the Army's expansion program, receives the oath of office from Maj. Marcus Braitz, commanding officer of the Indiana recruiting district.

No Ill-Equipped Legislator Is He

Goes to Capitol Completely Prepared

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 27 (UP) — Mayor Hubert H. Humphrey today, has what the well-prepared senator-elect is supposed to need.

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Scientists Eye Immigrant Aussie Fly With Suspicion

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (UP) — A made the identification, said the insect has never been known to be in the new world.

Dr. Kessel said the flies were first discovered on Sept. 21, "crawling about on a lawn bordering Park Presidio Boulevard adjacent to Golden Gate Park." A few days later, Dr. Edward S.

Ross, of the California Academy of Sciences, found some specimens.

On Oct. 7, Dr. Kessel said he found the "immigrant" in large numbers on the San Francisco campus.

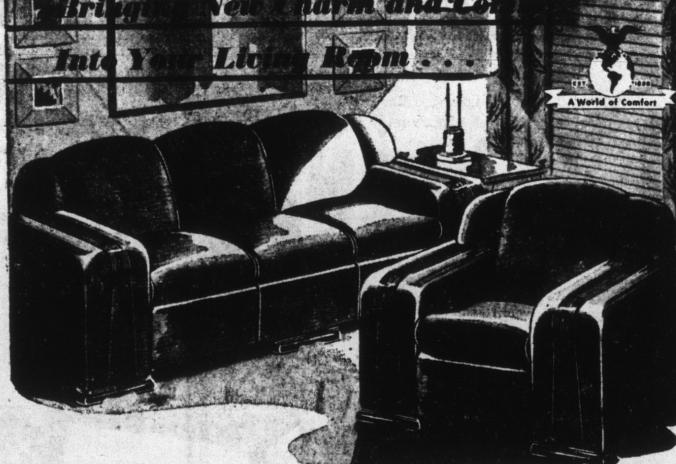
"They were so numerous," he said, "that a single stroke of the net captured a dozen or more specimens."

The insect, according to Dr. James, breeds in the soil and their larvae apparently were brought to this country in soil.

Dr. Maurice T. James, associate professor of entomology at the State College of Washington, who the San Francisco area.

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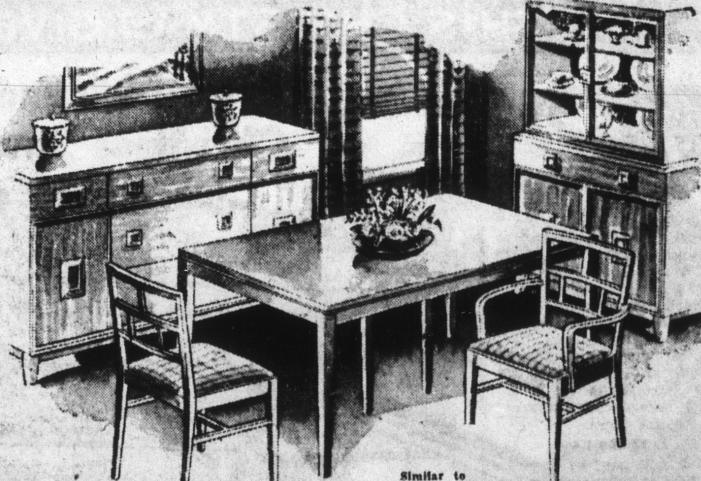
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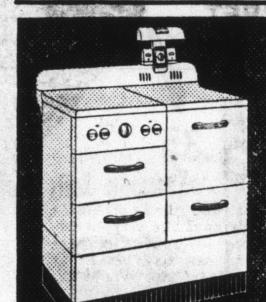
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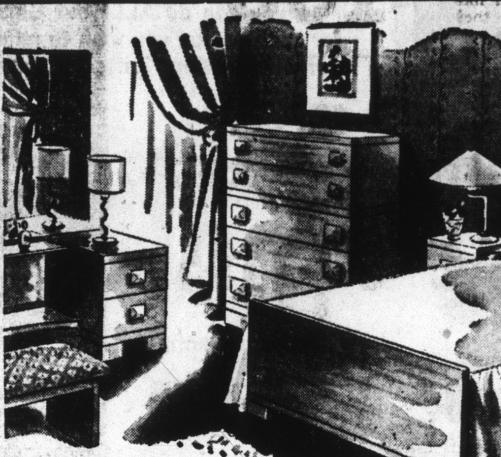
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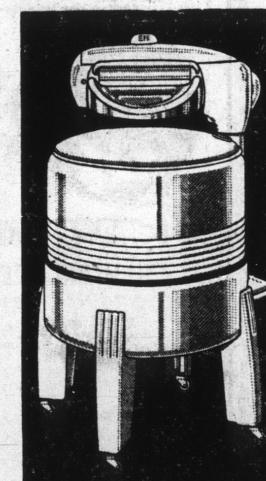
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