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OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT
FOR LANDKREIS MEMMINGEN
APO 403 US ARMY

RFW/vC
24 Nov.45

SUBJECT: Weekly Report of Landkreis Memmingen for Period 17 November to 24 November 1945.

TO : Office of Military Government for Regierungsbezirk Schwaben, APO 403, US Army.

1. Location of Detachment.

Memmingen (L 48-WX-8235).

2. Civil Administration.

Nothing to report.

3. Political Intelligence.

There is no great interest shown in politics in Memmingen, especially among the farmers and country people. People are reserved and refuse new affiliations until they are quite sure of Party programs and objectives.

The Communist Party will hold a meeting on 25 November 1945 to establish a Party platform and recruit members.

4. Public Relations.

Nothing to report.

5. Press & Radio.

All the Urkunde der Registrierung previously issued were reviewed, and all members of affiliated organizations of the NSDAP had their registration withdrawn.

6.. Public Safety.

a. Police. During the past week there has been very little activity reported on thefts and other crimes. Over the week-end a farmer attempted to murder two Germans who are quartered in his home by boring a hole into a piece of wood, filling it with gun powder or blasting powder and then plugging it. He placed this piece of wood in a wood box in the room of these two Germans. The piece of wood exploded a short time after being placed in the stove, and scattered the stove all over the room, causing considerable damage, but fortunately the intended victims were not injured. The farm buildings were thoroughly searched by the rural police and they were unable to find any trace of explosives but they did find considerable amount of Ersatz-coffee and washing powder, which the farmer claimed he obtained several years ago. The investigation revealed that the farmer threatened these people on several occasions and he also frankly admitted that these or any other refugees were not welcome to live on his farm. The farmer has been arrested and turned over to the German courts for prosecution.

b. Subversive Activities. None.

c. War Crimes. None

d. Concentration Camps. None.

e. Political Prisoners. None.

f. Special Branch. 128 Fragebogens were vetted during the past week. Of these 128 fragebogens, 14 were in the non-employment mandatory category, 10 in employment discretionary (AR), 21 in employment discretionary (no AR)), and 83 indicated no evidence of Nazi activities.

7. Legal & Prisons.

a. Legal.

(1) Military Government Courts. One session of the Summary Court was held on the 16th of November. Information concerning cases as follows:

Offense	Violation	guilty	Not guilty	Dismissed	Sentence
Curfew	Ord.No.1 § 22 Art II	6	-	-	20, 30, 40 RM Fine
Possession of US Property	Ord.No.1 Art II Section 31	2	-	-	1 and 3 months imprisonment

There are 12 cases pending.

(2) German Courts. Nothing of importance.

b. Prisons.

There are 66 prisoners in the Landgefängnis, 9 of these are being held by CIC.

8. **Finance.**

a. The directors of the Kreis- and Stadtsparkasse and the Bayerische Hypotheken- & Wechselbank Memmingen were dismissed. Both persons fell within the discretionary dismissal category. 5 employees of the Finanzamt and Hauptzollamt were dismissed, all of whom fell within the discretionary dismissal category.

b. Applications for the retention of 12 employees of the Finanzamt and Hauptzollamt former Party members who were considered nothing more than nominal Nazis, were forwarded to USFET for approval.

c. The collection of taxes of all taxing agencies continues normal.

d. The vetting of all pensioners of the Landkreis was completed. Of the total number of pensioners which amounted to 87, 18 were ordered discontinued.

9. **Property Control.**

Nothing to report.

10. Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives.

The Alfred Rosenberg art collection has not as yet been moved from the Buxheim Monastery. It is feared unless this removal is made in the near future the paintings in the collection will be damaged by severe cold weather.

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11. Public Health.

The following new cases of infectious diseases were reported for the period ending 22 Nov 45:

Diphtheria	6
Typhoid fever	1
Meningitis Tbc	1
Gonorrhoea	8
Syphilis	3

Health conditions, generally speaking, remain unchanged.

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12. Displaced Persons.

a. Number of Displaced Persons living in the Memmingerberg camp:

Poles	1
Latvians	830
Lithuanians	545
Estonians	475
Russian emigrants	44
Czechs	7
Ukrainians	6
Americans	4
total	1912

b. Number of Displaced Persons entered the camp during this week:

Latvians	12
Estonians	13
Lithuanians	14
Ukrainians	2

c. Number of Displaced Persons evacuated:

Nationality	Origin	Location	Destination
8 Poles	Poland	Kr. Memmingen	Camp Sonthofen
15 Volksdeutsche	Lithuania	" "	Given in charge to Burgermeister.

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13. **Public Welfare.**

Nothing to report.

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14. <u>Civilian Supply.</u>

No change.

15. Agriculture, Food & Food Distribution.

a. Agriculture & Food.

(1) Stocks according to reports:

	Stock	Consumption	Surplus	
Flour	2226	703	1523	dz
Nährmittel	254	57	197	"
Coffee-Substitute	198	20	178	"
Marmelade	111	--	111	"
Sugar	39	20	19	"
Dried Peas	38	—	38	"
Cooking Oil	11	--	11	"
Meat	687	103	584	"
Butter	450	93	357	"
Cheese	900	31	869	"

(2) Cattle delivered for slaughtering:

470 cattle
325 calves
36 pigs

Delivery of cattle and calves has increased this week considerably.

(3) Potatoes:

761 dz of potatoes were delivered into the Kreis this week. Further delivery will probably not be made due to the danger of frost. Large quantities of potatoes have been stored.

(4) E g g s :

2710 eggs were collected by the Egg Office Bavaria this week.

(5) Bread grains:

13 000 dz of bread grain are on hand at the present time.

b. Forestry.

(1) Woodcut last week:

	State forest	Kreis	Private
Pine wood	450 fm	100 fm	30 fm
Pit wood	300 fm	100 fm	40 fm
Fuel wood	300 rm	120 rm	250 rm

(2) Status of wood cutting program:

	Quota	Amt cut	Amt transported
1. U.S. Army	6200 rm	6000 rm	4500 rm
2. City of Memmingen	20000 "	18500 "	15800 "
3. City of Augsburg	5000 "	4700 "	--
4. UNRRA	5000 "	2300 " of Pit wood requisitioned 2700 rm Fuel wood	
5. PW Camp, Memmingen	2500 "	2300 "	2000 "

(3) Transportation.

Last week approximately 600 ster of fuel wood were delivered and 500 ster were given to the civil population

Office for Foodsupply A

Weekly Report of food ex- and imports of the Landkreis Memmingen from Saturday 17.11.45 inclusively Friday 23.11.45.

Import this week ctw.=dz.	Total figures since first report ctw.=dz	Kind of goods		Total export this week ctw.=dz	Total figures since first ctw.=dz
1 133	26 408	grain	Getreide	-	2 290
58	729	Flour	Mehl	1180	25 117
-	15 919	potatoes	Kartoffeln	235	22 223
597	6 149	meat and sausages	Fleisch und Fleischwaren	908	15 552
30	60	Butter	Butter	31[illegible]	[illegible] 822
-	-	Butterlard	Butterschmalz	-	732
50	685	Cheese	Käse	410	22 503
-	-		Rahm	-	497
-	-		Trockenmilch	-	784
-	596	Sugar	Zucker	-	276
-	487	Groceries	Nährmittel	2	725
-	159	Noodles	Teigwaren	1	117
-	1 016	Coffee Substitute	Kaffeeersatz	2	623
-	176	Jam	Marmelade	-	58
-	-	Cookingoil	Speiseöl	-	1
2 800	1 349 843	Eggs	Eier	-	1 290 501
240	1 175	fruit and vegetables	Obst und Gemüse	-	126
-	1 512	Salt	Salz	-	157
-	29	or else	Sonstiges	-	-

16. Trade & Industry.

a) Iron & Metal.

Import of raw materials has increased to some extent. However, this by no means covers the most urgent needs. Several firms imported a small quantity of spare parts and tools so that necessary repair work could be carried out.

The firm Gg. Plersch, Ottobeuren, imported sixty (60) tons of iron bars from the Schwäbischen Hüttenwerke, Wasseralfingen, to be used in the manufacture of stoves.

Production in the electrical industry is still very limited, consisting mainly of repair work.

b. W o o d .

The lumber firms continue to work for the Third U.S. Army. Two box-manufacturing firms were forced to curtail production due to a lack of nails.

c. Construction.

Import of building material has increased. The firm Wassermann & Co. imported thirteen (13) tons of chalk, eight (8) tons of gypsum, and forty (40)tons of Portland cement from Harburg.

Manufacture of bricks and tiles has decreased because of cold weather.

d. Textiles.

The textile industry imported a small quantity of babies' clothing and shirt and dress material from Württemberg. However, clothing for released PWs and refugees is urgently needed. The dyes, needed for dyeing of uniforms, have not yet been procured, so that difficulties may ensue after 1 December 1945 when undyed uniforms may no longer be worn.

e. Leather.

The firm Hecker has received six hundred (600) kg of tanning material, so that two hundred and thirty (230) square meters of pigs' leather could be prepared. Coal and chro laun, the latter was formerly delivered by the I.G. Farben Industry, is urgently needed to prepare the raw hides still on hand.

f. Chemistry.

The weekly production of the Gelatine & Leimwerke Pfeffer consisting of 44,5 tons of bone-dust was distributed in this Landkreis, to be used as fertilizer.

g. General.

Import of coal has decreased tremendously. Only 60% of the quantity imported last week was received during this period.

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DURING THE WEEK FROM 19 M

Imports

kg/pieces	commodity	from	name of
	coal	Bavaria and Rhur	Landra
350 kg	tools, hardware	Göppingen	Martin
22000.-RM	hardware	different places	R.Pöpp
6000 kg	bar iron	Wasseralfingen	Gg.Ple
-	-	-	Max Sc
945 kg	hardware	different places	Michae
6332.-RM	vehicles-parts	" "	Andrea
228 cbm	cut lumber	" "	Hans S
-	-	- -	Holzwa
38000 pieces	bricks and tiles	Illertissen	Verk.Sc
13 to	lime	Ulm	Wasser
8 to	gypsum	Satteldorf	"
40 to	cement	Harburg	"
3 to	gypsum	Hessenthal	P.J.St
550 kg	cheese-packages of aluminium	Ummendorf	Memmin
2033 kg	tear-wool	Neu-Ulm	Bilgra
390 kg	wool	Augsburg	R.Gump
1157.-RM	underclothing	different places	Gg.Dur
350 mtr	textiles	" "	G.Sched
20 pieces	"	Augsburg	Jos. Ei
15000 "	haberdashery	different places	Th. Pf
-	-	- -	J.G.He
245 pieces	hites and skins	" "	Allg.H gen.
-	-	- -	Joh.Pf
43 to	bones	Neuburg/Bad Tölz	Leimwe
12 to	paints	München	E.Baeu
-	-	-	Ölmühl
60 pieces	bandages	Heilbronn	A.Schm

WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REPORT.

DURING THE WEEK FROM 19 NOVEMBER TO 2~~6~~ NOV.1945.

from	name of firm	kg/pieces	commodity
Bavaria and Rhur	Landrat Memmingen	-	-
Göppingen	Martin Honold,Memmingen	-	-
different places	R.Pöppel & Co,Memmingen	12oo.-RM	hardware
Wasseralfingen	Gg.Plersch, Ottobeuren	-	-
-	Max Schmid, Memmingen	25oo kg	metal-chips
different places	Michael Friess,Memmingen	154o kg	hardware
" "	Andreas Kurz, Memmingen	1428.-RM	vehicles-parts
" "	Hans Schaber, Ottobeuren	-	-
- -	Holzwarenfabrik Buxheim	176 pieces	seats and lad
Illertissen	Verk.Schwäb.Ziegelwerke	-	-
Ulm Satteldorf Harburg	Wassermann & Co Memmingen " " " "	4 cbm	cut lumber
Hessenthal	P.J.Stehle, Ungerhausen	-	-
ium Ummendorf	Memminger Aluminium	-	-
Neu-Ulm	Bilgram & Kaiser	-	-
Augsburg	R.Gumpp K.G.Memmingen	-	-
different places	Gg.Durner, Memmingen	275.-RM	socks
" "	G.Schedel, Mem ingen	-	-
Augsburg	Jos. Eisele, Memmingen	-	-
different places	Th. Pflüger, Memmingen	12ooo pieces	haberdasher
- -	J.G.Hecker, Memmingen	2o5 qm	leather
" "	Allg.Häute-&-Fellverkaufs-gen. Memmingen	2oo pieces	hites
- -	Joh.Pfeffer, Memmingen	19soo kg	fertilizer
Neuburg/Bad Tölz	Leimwerke Pfeffer, Mgn.	6o to ~~lime~~	glue
München	E.Baeuerle, Memmingen	12,5 to 255 kg	chalk paints
-	Ölmühle Anwander, Memmingen	25oo kg	paints
Heilbronn	A.Schmid, Memmingen	-	-

RIAL REPORT.

OVEMBER TO 24 NOV.1945.

Exports

firm	kg/pieces	commodity	to
Memmingen	-	-	-
Honold,Memmingen	-	-	-
l & Co,Memmingen	1200.-RM	hardware	different places
sch, Ottobeuren	-	-	-
mid, Memmingen	2500 kg	metal-chips	München
Friess,Memmingen	1540 kg	hardware	different places
Kurz, Memmingen	1428.-RM	vehicles-parts	" "
haber, Ottobeuren	-	-	- -
enfabrik Buxheim	176 pieces	seats and ladders	München,Augsburg
hwäb.Ziegelwerke	-	-	-
ann & Co Memmingen	4 cbm	cut lumber	Batteldorf
"			
"			
hle, Ungerhausen	-	-	-
ger Aluminium	-	-	-
n & Kaiser	-	-	-
p K.G.Memmingen	-	-	-
ner, Memmingen	275.-RM	socks	Augsburg
del, Mem ingen	-	-	-
isele, Memmingen	-	-	-
lüger, Memmingen	12000 pieces	haberdashery	different places
ch r, Memmingen	205 qm	leather	" "
Häute-&-Fellverkaufs-Memmingen	200 pieces	hites	Stuttgart
feffer, Memmingen	19500 kg	fertilizer	different places
erke Pfeffer, Mgn.	60 to	glue	" "
uerle, Memmingen	12,5 to 255 kg	chalk paints	" " " "
le Anwander, Memmingen	2500 kg	paints	" "
mid, Memmingen	-	-	- -

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Production during the week from 19 to 24 Nov. 1945.

kg/pieces	item produced	name of firm
20 pieces	high frequency measure-sets	Messgeratebau, Memmingen
20 "	electr. magnet-coils	Magnet-Schultz, Memmingen
15 "	iron wheelbarrows	Wilh. Hail, Memmingen
26 "	pumps for liquid manure	Otto Martin, Memmingen
559 kg	tools	Wilh. Stehle, Memmingen
300 "	iron-castings	Max Schmid, Memmingen
600 "	nails	Otto Christ, Memmingen
28 cbm	cut lumber	Gust. Mayser & Sohn, M'gen
30 "	" "	F. Kaufmann, Buxheim
105 "	" "	Hans Schaber, Ottobeuren
56 "	" "	Großkinsky & Edelmann, M'gen
200 "	wood for mine	Harpener-Bergbau, Memmingen
921 "	gas-wood	Anton Bail, Memmingen
600 pieces	wooden boxes	Gg. Grambihler, Mkt. Rettenb.
200 "	wooden boxes	M. Schryögg, Ollarzried
350 "	seats and ladders (wooden)	Holzwarenfabrik Buxheim
150 "	furniture for 3rd US Army	Joh. Fritz, Erkheim
58000 "	bricks and tiles	Verk. Schw. Ziegelwerke, Mgn.
530 "	concrete flags	Fr. Unglehrt, Memmingen
820 kg	cheese-packages of aluminium	Memminger Aluminium
1190 pieces	blankets	Fr. Haussmann, Memmingen
500 "	blankets	Bilgram & Kaiser, Memmingen
850 pairs	socks	R. Gumpp K.G., Memmingen
230 qm	leather	J.G. Hecker, Memmingen
1600 pieces	leather-straps	Peifer, Ottobeuren
5400 "	pasteboard-boxes	Hans Kolb, Memmingen
44500 kg	fertilizer	Joh. Pfeffer, Memmingen
1500 pieces	wooden boxes	Joh. Koch, Sontheim
70 cbm	cut lumber	" " "
35 "	cut lumber	Thomas Huber, Frechenrieden
40 "	cut lumber	Hagendorn & Mehl, Memmingen
162 pieces	clothes	Gg. Marte K.G., Grönenbach
120 "	clothes	Jos. Schorrer, Amendingen
2050 kg	iron work	Huith & Fink, Amendingen

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17. Labor.

a. Total number of workers in Kreis Memmingen: No change. Male: 16 467, Female: 16 494 (incl.independent workers).

b. Category of laborers available:

Office-workers, Household-workers, Metal-workers & Drivers

c. Local needs:

Dairy-workers (milkers):	292
Farm-workers (team-dirvers):	215
Carpenters:	15
Masons:	11
Cabinet-makers:	14
Unskilled construction-workers:	324

d. The following named units have elected shop-stewards under supervision of Military Government:

	Stewards elected	Workers represent
(1) City Administration	3	103
(2) Firm Baumann	2	24

e. Since this week there is a great demand for drivers and there is a shortage on locksmiths.

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18. Public Utilities & Public Works.

The roof of the boiler house has been replaced and the tin roof of a shed, where material is kept, has been repaired.

Employees of the water works are working on the switch-board of the light and power plant. All damaged parts of the telescope and of the water basin were welded by a MAN Augsburg expert. The container is now ready for use.

Container I is to be inspected by an expert in order to determine whether it can be repaired or whether a complete replacement will be necessary. It will also have to be determined whether repair work can be done without lifting the dome section, which weighs twenty-five (25) tons. The raising apparatus on hand is not powerful enough, and no firms with special raising apparatus are available at the present time.

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19. Communications.

a. Post: Nothing to report.

b. Telephone: It is anticipated that all military phones will be connected directly to the Reichspost exchange within the next week.

c. Telegraph: Nothing to report.

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20. Transportation.

All roads and road edges are now cleaned of destroyed implements of war etc. Wrecks have been stored at certain places in every community. Dug-outs for air protection purposes and blocking for tanks have been filled up over the whole Landkreis.

The removal of the wreck at Ferthofen bridge will be completed during this week. The erection of snow fences is now finished. All existing drainage ditches and channels have been cleaned in anticipation of deep snow fall.

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21. Education and Religion.

The shortage of textbooks was alleviated by the distribution of 14000 textbooks throughout the Kreis. The secondary schools are ready to be reopened upon receiving final approval by USFET. There is a shortage of teachers doing double duty until acceptable teachers can be found.

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