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## On Tour of South

# Gen. Ike Best for Job, German Journalists Say

Three touring German newspapermen expressed the opinion here Monday that General Eisenhower is the best and only man for the big job he has undertaken in Europe.

The men are Cay Graf von Brockdorff of Berlin, staff correspondent for DPA, German news service; Karl W. Mekiska of Rothenburg, city editor of Fraenkische Landeszeitung; and Ernst Buck of Offenbach, managing editor of the Offenbach Post.

"Eisenhower is a good man, no other man today is quite so able as he is," Buck said. "He has the sympathy of the European people and the Germans don't consider him hostile—they take him as he is."

The three are a part of an eight-man group visiting Southern newspapers. All, under 30, are studying this year at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University under the auspices of the State Department.

"In my opinion there is no better man for the job than Eisenhower," Brockdorff said. "Of course some of the German public accept him with mixed feeling, but I hope he keeps the job."

### 'Only Man for Job.'

Terming General Ike the "only man for the job," Mekiska said: "He has a good reputation as a soldier, is considered to be the man who won the war. That appeals to the German people and he will be well accepted by the German people."

Other members of the group are Ottmar Schneider of Regensburg, assistant editor of Mittelbayerische Zeitung; Hans Hoffmann of Heidelberg, financial writer for several West German papers; Walter Haehnle of Tuebingen, a free lance writer; Heinz

R. Opfermann of Wiesbaden, correspondent for Mainz Deutsche Presse Agentur; and Dr. Gerd K. Montag of Munich, writer for several Munich papers. Floyd G. Arpan, associate professor at Medill, is co-ordinator for the group.

All three newspaper executives expressed surprise at the large size of the daily paper in America. They explained that the normal paper in Europe is usually about six or eight pages, and that advertising constitutes only one-fourth of the paper.

Mekiska, who spent some time in Russia as a prisoner of war, said he would prefer to fight for his freedom than to surrender to the kind of government he saw in Russia. He also said that he felt the Voice of America is still an experiment and can be improved as time goes on.

### 'Voice' Beneficial.

"The Voice of America is beneficial at present," Buck reported. "But it could be much more effective. It sounds too much like straight propaganda in many instances and should be aimed more at the masses."

All three expressed pleasure over the Atlantic Pact program and said that bolstering of troops in Europe by America will be a welcome action.

On the question of rearmament they were in accord. "I feel we must rearm as quickly as possible to protect against Russian invasion," Brockdorff said. "For that reason alone there should be rearmament in Germany—after that danger is over then we could disarm."

Buck said he felt the Russians were a menace to the Western World and that the Western that menace.

The group will leave Tuesday for Chicago and further studies at Northwestern. While in the South they visited Memphis, New Orleans, Houston and Galveston.

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