

VISIT TO ORT SCHOOL IN STUTTGARTFRIDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 1947

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The school conducts the following shops:

Schlosserei,
Elektro-Technik,
Goldschmied,
Zahntechnik,
Damenschneiderei,
Korsetterie,
Herrenwäsche,
Männerschneiderei,
Photographie,
Kinder Konfektion,
Schreibmaschinen Reparatur.

Plans are being made to open shops in radio technic making rubber stamps.

The entire population of the camp lives in regular dwelling houses on Rheinburgerstrasse. The neighborhood could very readily be thought^{of} as being a part of the city population except ^{for} ~~of~~ the number of men and women standing around and walking up and down the side walks in front of the apartment houses.

The school classes are housed in ordinary dwelling rooms and are therefore much smaller than desirable. However, by using adjoining rooms, with doorways between, these rooms have been made to serve to good advantage. The machine shop is being extended from the basement of one apartment house to that of another, and this has been done by

breaking through a two-foot masonry wall. This job must have required a tremendous amount of labor. The disadvantages of the quarters are probably balanced by the fact that they are easy to heat and can be fairly comfortable in winter.

The general appearance of the shops is good. A fair amount of ^{at} intention is given to records of pupils and *preparation* segments of work. The general program of instruction and utilization of material follows the usual pattern.

A rather fruitful lesson was being taught by a young German woman teacher. She was giving the technical information related to men's and women's clothing manufacture. The lesson was on cotton, its culture and uses. The drawing rooms were small and rather poorly lighted, but were usable. All the material for hat making comes from old hats. The photography course is being conducted in a kind of cubby-hole in the attic, hardly large enough to accommodate more than three or four people. For equipment there is an enlarger, a commercial printer, a sink, and not much else. The first class has already graduated. A new one is being formed. There was no evidence of the degree to which proficiency in commercial photography could be obtained in this shop. Two more attic rooms are being prepared for radio. A door is being cut between them. These rooms are somewhat larger than the photography room and may provide enough space.