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Adenauer in Berlin :

Federal Chancellor Dr. Adenauer arrived at the Tempelhof Airport of Berlin for a three Days' visit. He was welcomed by Burgemaster Willy Brandt.

"The Federal Government and the entire West German population stand fast by behind the Berliners," were Adenauers' first words after the official welcome.

The Chancellor then proceeded to the "Schönberger Rathaus" - the Townhall of Berlin - where the political situation arising from the Soviet notes on Berlin was discussed in detail with the West Berlin Senate. The West German industry - the Chancellor stated - would back the Berlin economy with increased orders.

The Chancellor then visited the French sector of Berlin.

Adenauer said the coming international talks on Berlin would mean further trouble for the Berlin population. But the Chancellor stressed - he had recutly received a personal letter from US Foreign Secretary Dulles in which he assured him of the continued protection of Berlin by the United States.

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The German Division

1. The Zone Border

In 1945 the German "Reich" was occupied by the victorious Allies and the territory was split up into administrative areas. There are now Soviet- and Polish-administrated East German provinces. There is the Soviet-occupied Zone, the so-called "DDR". The 3 Western Zones, comprising 11 German lands, are now component parts of the Federal German Republic with the provisional capital of Bonn.

Along the Eastern border of the Federal Republic is a dividing-line separating 17 million Germans of the Central German provinces from the 50 million Western Germans on Elbe and Rhine. In a weekly series our cameraman will visit the border - the line between East and West - to illustrate the reality of the German division. Report 1 is in Northern Germany. The demarcation-line runs right through a village. East and West Germans patrol day and night. Heavily armed they are ready to shoot at a moment's notice, if any German should attempt to move on German soil Eastwards or Westwards. Incidentally, more than 3 million Germans went westwards since the German division began. At present 3.300 East Germans cross the borders weekly westwards in particular via Berlin. Every year approx. the population of a big metropolis leaves for the West.

An Appeal

Mass packages are being prepared in schools, in the homes, in clubs to be sent to friends, relatives or just compatriots in the Eastern provinces of Germany. We visited one of the major West-German modern mail-handling centers in Cologne. More than 100.000 packages go eastwards daily... to Leipzig, to Weimar, to Thuringia.

Unity

A two-way radio-conference between two meetings of the "Committee for an Undivided Germany" in Bonn and Berlin stressed the unanimous desire of all Germans for reunification of their home-country. In Bonn: President Schütz at the mike. In Berlin: Burgomaster Brandt of Berlin.

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The Statute

Following the Khrushchev threat the three Western commandants of Berlin conferred on the immediate issues.

Free Elections

On Sunday next West Berliners will elect their new parliament. The election campaign is well under way. The continuation of the joint rule of the two major parties - the Social Democrats (SPD) and the Christian Democrats (CDU) - is expected.

Constructive Optimism:

The first German municipal auto-strada - an autobahn without level-crossings right through the town - is under construction. The first section was inaugurated. The complete 40 kms will cost a cool billion marks!

On the "Bavarian Square" in Berlin the monument of a Bavarian lion was unveiled with the customary band and beer ceremony. An optimistic gesture for the island-city from free Bavaria!

Confidence

Berlin, the capital of the German Reich, disposed of 24.000 hotel beds. The present 14 modern hotels only have 8.000 beds in all. New additional 305 bedrooms will be able to accommodate further 600 guests. 400 employees of the new Hilton Hotel near the Zoo and Tiergarten, will give American service to the guests of this most modern European hotel. Conrad Hilton himself received the "Golden Key" of the 14 floor building. He had come from New York to Berlin in the first postwar direct-flight - with him 60 guests of honour. They were the first to enjoy the luxuries of the 27 million D-mark hotel. Another optimistic gesture on the eve of the Berlin crisis!