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EXCHANGE WITH SOVIET ZONE  
GERMANY SATISFACTORY

SEWING MACHINES, CAMERAS IMPORTED -- Rzeczpospolita, No 220, 12 Aug 49

The exchange of commodities between Poland and the Soviet Zone of Germany is progressing very satisfactorily.

During his recent stay in Germany, Stanislaw Kowalewski, chief director of the PDT (General Merchandise Stores), contracted for merchandise valued at several million dollars.

The initial deliveries are expected in 5 or 6 weeks and the merchandise is to be sold through the PDT.

Included in the more important imports are 4,000 sewing machines, one half of which are portable electric models of the latest design. Other items included are several thousand cameras (Practiflex, Kino Exacta, Super-Dolina, Reflecta) and photographic material; several thousand typewriters (Erika, Mercedes, Olimpia); fountain pens, which will be priced at not more than 1,200 zlotys; Thuringian accordions; violins; mouth organs especially made for the PDT; Solingen steel pocketknives and scissors; German safety razor blades, a shortage of which has been periodically felt; and hair clippers. In sporting equipment there is a supply of rackets, racket strings, and hockey sticks.

The possibility of selling some of these articles on the installment plan is being discussed.

NEW SHIPMENTS OF RUSSIAN AND GERMAN CAMERAS ARRIVE -- Zycie Warszawy, No 201, 24 Jul 49

The first shipment of 400 Russian and German cameras has been received. Further shipments are expected shortly, including film, paper, and chemicals. The cheapest cameras will sell for 8,000 to 20,000 zlotys. "Contax" type cameras are higher in price. Sales will be conducted by General Merchandise Stores.

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IMPORTED POPLIN, SHOES GO ON SALE -- Zycis Warszawy, No 201, 24 Jul 49

Five thousand pairs of shoes from Czechoslovakia are already on sale, a better selection than previously. Shipments of shoes imported last year the US have also been put on sale.

The imported poplin is of good quality and is to be used for men's shirts and women's blouses. The price is 1,300 - 1,500 zlotys per meter.

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