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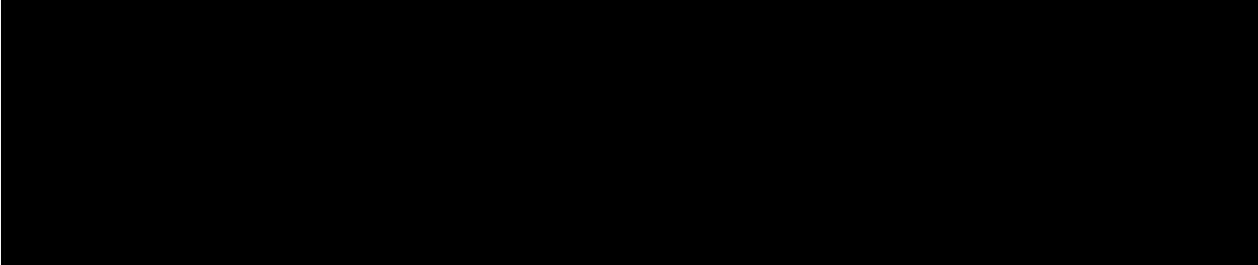
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- 1. Dipl. Ing. Walther Fischer is the head of the diamond die section (ZD Abteilung) at Carl Zeiss, Jena.* Fischer is also the head of optical production at Zeiss. He was a close friend of (fnu) Bielmeyer, former head of Zeiss optical production who was removed to Russia in 1946. At that time, Fischer was Bielmeyer's deputy. Fischer is not a member of the SED. The two other important officials in this section, both SED members, are (fnu) Weiss, production chief, and Walther Auer, his deputy. The diamond die section employs between 100 and 200 people and is not subject to any extraordinary security measures.
2. Jehnert (fnu), an assistant for the past four years to E. Fischer, head of the foreign trade section at Carl Zeiss, Jena, was transferred several months ago to the Carl Zeiss branch in Göttingen, where he is at present technical commercial director. Jehnert is anti-Soviet.
3. Blagin, a civilian, is the Soviet delivery officer at Zeiss, for the A-1 air training device. The first two completed units of this device were delivered to the Russians during the first week of August 1950. Twenty more units are supposed to be delivered by Zeiss before the end of 1950. The German designers of the A-1 training device are Dr. Hillgers and Dipl. Ing. Rochel, both of whom are said to reside in West Berlin. They are not employed by Zeiss but visit the firm occasionally.
4. Jenapharm, a Carl Zeiss pharmaceutical affiliate in Jena, under the direction of Hans Knoell, now employs 860 persons and expects to expand its personnel to 1000 by the year's end. Streptomycin is one of the drugs being produced by Jenapharm. Roitsch (fnu) is also an important official in Jenapharm.
5. Otto Schieck is the director for cultural activities at Zeiss, Schieck was Landrat in Arnstadt before he came to Zeiss. Dipl. Ing. Erich Wolfram is the director of the central planning office at Zeiss. Personnel director is Hans Schneider.** Dr. Rudolph Jobst is personnel chief for VVB and has his office at Zeiss.

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- 6. The planetarium, publicized as a gift from the DDR to Joseph Stalin on the latter's birthday last fall, was finally delivered to the Russians by Zeiss during the last week of July 1950.
- 7. The following Zeiss specialists were removed to Russia in 1946:
 - Wilhelm Hess, construction chief of the development office for tools and machines, who writes his family in Jena from Kiev.
 - (fnu) Linnemann, group leader in the development office for tools and machines, is also in Kiev.
 - (fnu) Ritter, instrument constructor.
 - Karl Kiesling, constructor of testing equipment.
 - (fnu) Schnerr, chief mechanic for fine measuring instruments.
 - Dr. (fnu) Kuehn, head of the crystal laboratory, whose family is in Leningrad.
 - (fnu) Kurtua, specialist in bomb release equipment.
 - (fnu) Pultz, head of the construction office for range finders.
 - (fnu) Bielmeyer, head of optical production at Zeiss.
 - Oskar Focke, group leader in the construction office for range finders, who writes from Leningrad.
 - Walther Della Bella, constructor of objectives.

8. Albor, a technical commercial employee for geometrical equipment at Zeiss, Jena, and (fnu) Kemnitz, technical commercial employee for fine measuring instruments, were arrested about 1 August 1950. Kemnitz was later released.

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Comment: Walther Fischer is not to be confused with E. Fischer, head of the foreign trade section at Zeiss, Jena.

Comment: Hans Schneider has recently deviated from the party line and has been ordered to undergo further party indoctrination courses.

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