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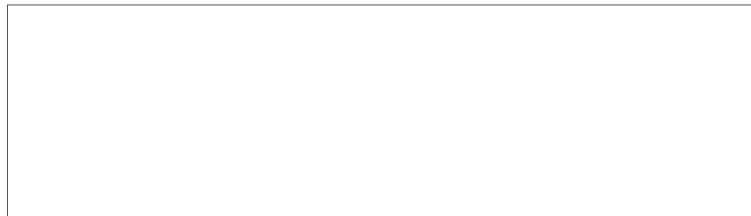
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GDR AWARDS AND HONORARY TITLES IN 1953

[Comment:]
[In 1953, the GDR government again conferred awards and titles to "deserving" persons in the GDR, as well as to some individuals in other countries.]

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NATIONAL PRIZE WINNERS

[The National Prizes were awarded for the fourth time in 1953. The National Prizes are divided into three classes. Each National Prize consists of a certificate, a gold medal, and a tax-free cash prize of 100,000 Deutsche marks for Class I, 50,000 Deutsche marks for Class II, and 25,000 Deutsche marks for Class III. Each class is divided into two categories: science and technology, and arts and literature.]

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National Prize Class I for Science and Technology

Prof Dr Serge von Bubnoff , professor of geology at Humboldt University, Berlin member of the German Academy of Sciences; for his outstanding achievements in the field of geology, particularly for his research on the regional geology of Eastern Europe.

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Prof Dr Hermann Haack [redacted], cartographer and scientific director of the Gotha Geographic-Cartographic Institute; for his basic scientific work in the field of cartography and his many publications of high scientific value, which have earned him the title of foremost German cartographer.

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Prof Dr Helmuth Hasse, professor of mathematics at the University of Hamburg, member of the German Academy of Sciences, at Berlin; for his diverse scientific works, particularly for his 1949 publication "Zahlentheorie" ("Theory of Numbers"), which has shown him to be the first-ranking German mathematician in the fields of algebra and the theory of numbers.

Prof Dr Paul Uhlenhuth [redacted], professor emeritus of hygiene and bacteriology at the University of Freiburg/Breisgau, Geheimer Regierungsrat [government title], director of the State Research Laboratory in Freiburg/Breisgau; for his research work in the field of bacteriology and hygiene, particularly for his work in leptospira research.

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National Prize Class I for Art and Literature

Lion Feuchtwanger, Ph.D., writer, US; for his creative writings, which are dedicated to the fight for humanity and democracy, and which form a considerable part of contemporary German literature.

National Prize Class II for Science and Technology

Prof Dr Heinrich Bertsch [redacted], chairman of the Technological Scientific Council in the State Secretariat for Chemistry; for his research work in the field of chemistry, particularly on surface-active agents, which were made useable in many industrial processes, and for his participation in the reconstruction of the chemical industry of the GDR.

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Collective Prize: Siegfried Bowers [redacted], Hero of Labor, chief of the works section of the VEB (People-Owned) Zschornowitz Power Plant; Ludwig Mueller [redacted], machine-construction engineer, group leader for preliminary planning at the VEB Zschornowitz Power Plant; for the development and application of methods for the rapid repair of major equipment in power plants, which have greatly contributed toward assuring the supply of electrical power in the GDR.

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Prof Dr Wilhelm Clausen [redacted], director of the eye clinic at the University of Halle; for his outstanding achievements in all branches of ophthalmology, particularly for his work on cornea transplantation and causes of eye diseases.

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Prof Dr Heinrich Franck [redacted], president of the Chamber of Technology, director of the Institute for Applied Silicate Research in Berlin, member of the German Academy of Sciences; for his successful work in the chemistry of fertilizers and plastics, as well as for his participation in the development of chemical technology.

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Prof Dr Walter Frenzl [redacted], director of the Institute of Fiber Technology in Pirna-Copitz, professor at the Dresden Technical College; for his basic scientific work in the field of testing techniques and fiber technology, which are of great importance to the economy of the GDR.

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Prof Dr Hermann Grapow [redacted], department head in the Institute for Research on the Orient in the German Academy of Sciences, member of the German Academy of Sciences; for his scientific work in the field of Egyptology, particularly for his significant contribution to the dictionary of the Egyptian language.

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Prof Dr Alfred Meusel [redacted], director of the German Historical Museum, professor at Humboldt University; for his outstanding contributions in the development of the German Historical Museum, particularly for his work on the Karl Marx exhibition.

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Prof Dr Kurt Mothes [redacted], chief of the Chemical Department and acting director of the Institute for Plant-Culture Research in Gatersleben, professor of pharmacognosy at the University of Halle; for his significant scientific accomplishments in the fields of nitrogen metabolism, enzymology, and chemical microbiology.

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Prof Dr Karl Schmalfuss [redacted], Professor in Halle (Saale); for his outstanding work in the field of plant nutrition, particularly for his textbook entitled "Plant Nutrition and Science of the Soil," which has become the basic text for persons studying this field.

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Prof Dr Friedrich-Adolf Willers [redacted], director of the Institute of Applied Mathematics at the Dresden Technical College; for his extensive studies in the field of applied mathematics, which have earned him international renown.

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National Prize Class II for Art and Literature

Helene Weigel [redacted], actress, directress of the Berlin Ensemble; for her significant acting achievements in her portrayal of the mother in Maksim Gor'kiy's play, "The Mother," for her portrayal of Mrs Carrar in the play, "The Guns of Mrs Carrar," and for her portrayal of the kulak in "Katzgraben."

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Prof Fritz Cremer [redacted], sculptor, director of a master studio at the German Academy of Arts; for his bust of Franz Franik.

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Collective Prize: The motion picture, "Die Unbesiegbaren" ("The Unconquerables"), Arthur Pohl [redacted], director, Berlin; Willy A. Kleinau [redacted], actor, Babelsberg; and Karl Paryla, [redacted], actor, Vienna; for their outstanding artistic contributions to the film "Die Unbesiegbaren," which portrays the fight of the German working class at the time of the law against Socialists.

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Prof Dr Willi Kurth [redacted], director of the former state castles and museums, Potsdam-Sanssouci; for his active participation in the preservation of cultural treasures and the care and help in reconstruction of the state castles and gardens in Sanssouci.

Prof Heinrich Kilger [redacted], chief stage designer at the Deutsche Theater, Berlin; for his outstanding artistic stage designs for "Faust," "Don Carlos," "Egmont," etc., which made a considerable contribution to the development of realistic stage designing in the GDR.

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National Prize Class III for Science and Technology

Prof Dr Georg Berndt [redacted], director of the Institute for Measuring Techniques and Scientific Exchange at the Dresden Technical College; for his pioneer work in the field of measuring techniques and for his direction of the institute founded by him at the Dresden Technical College, which he has developed into an internationally recognized research institute.

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Collective Prize: Dr Rudolf Borchert [redacted], engineer and technical director of the VEB Berlin Incandescent Lamp Factory; Dr Werner Jubitz, [redacted] physicist at the VEB Berlin Incandescent Lamp Factory; Erich Grunau [redacted], director of the substation of the VEB Incandescent Lamp Factory; and Walter Geyer, chief engineer at the VEB Incandescent Lamp Factory; for their outstanding contributions to the development and production of infrared lamps from domestic raw materials, which made possible the application of infrared technology on a large scale in the GDR.

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Collective Prize: Prof Dr Kurt Glaeser [redacted], chief of design at the SKTB [Soviet Technical Design Office?] III of the SAG (Soviet Corporation) Transmasch, Karl-Marx-Stadt; Fritz Krause, chief designer of SKTB III; Kurt Beck [redacted], chief engineer and technical director of SKTB II of the SAG Transmasch Dresden; Paul Foerster, chief foreman of SKTB II; Franz Herder [redacted], chief engineer and technical director of SKTB II [sic]; for their part in the design of an index gear miller, which opened new development possibilities for the increase of accuracy in machine-tool construction and precision mechanics.

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Johannes Goddecke [redacted], chief engineer, Meritorious Inventor, chief of the design office for excavator-construction of the "Karl Liebknecht" Heavy Machine Building Plant, Magdeburg; for the design of large equipment for the brown-coal-mining industry, particularly the "Rs-700" heavy caterpillar excavator and the "D-2000" excavator for deep open-pit mines.

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Prof Dr Viktor Goerttler [redacted], professor of veterinary medicine with the Mathematics-Science Faculty, deputy dean of the Mathematics-Science Faculty, and director of the Veterinary Institute, Jena; for his successful work in combating the spread of diseases, particularly cattle tuberculosis and red fever, among farm animals.

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Prof Dr Ernst Heller [redacted], surgeon, professor emeritus at Karl Marx University, Leipzig; for his outstanding contributions to the field of surgery, particularly for his postoperative treatment of pleura empyema and his operative treatment of cardiospasm.

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Prof Dr Johannes Kathe [redacted], director of the Rostock Hygiene Institute; for his outstanding scientific work in the field of bacteriology and hygiene, particularly for his work on testing methods of drugs and vaccines.

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Collective Prize: LPG (Agricultural Producers' Cooperative) "Florian Geyer": Christian Schroeder [redacted], chairman of the LPG Aschersleben; Gustav Nicks, deputy chairman and member of the executive committee of the LPG Aschersleben; Kurt Stoischek, member of the executive committee in charge of commercial affairs of the LPG Aschersleben; Dietrich Gennat, member of the executive committee and liaison man with the MTS (Machine Tractor Station) Aschersleben; Paul Baumann, member of the executive committee in charge of culture and schooling, and secretary of the plant party organization at the LPG Aschersleben; Heinz Falke, bookkeeper of the LPG Aschersleben; for the application of new cultivation and work methods which have resulted in a considerable increase in per-hectare yields, as well as productivity, and which have become examples to all the LPGs in the GDR.

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Prof Dr Friedrich Moeglich [redacted], director of the Institute of Theoretical Physics at Humboldt University in Berlin, director of the Institute for Research on Solids, Berlin-Buch, and professor at Berlin-Buch; for his scientific work, the results of which have contributed considerably to the utilization of the quantitative theory in the field of physics of solids.

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Prof Dr Albrecht Peiper [redacted], director of the Children's Clinic at the University of Leipzig, professor of pediatrics; for his scientific work in the fields of physiology and pathophysiology of infants, particularly of premature infants. This work has resulted in the reduction of the infant death rate.

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Prof Dr Asmus Petersen [redacted], director of the Institute of Agricultural Management, professor of agricultural management at the University of Rostock; for his work in the field of agricultural appraisal, soil evaluation, and for working out a rapid soil classification system of the grassland areas of the GDR.

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Prof Dr Kurt Saeuberlich [redacted], engineer at Maxhuetten Unterwellenborn research center in Kroelpe; for his outstanding research work on the metallurgical processing of ores with low iron-ore content and oxidized ores, as well as ore and coal briquetting.

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Prof Dr Max Schneider [redacted], director of the Leipzig Zoo; for his outstanding achievements in the field of animal psychology and for his contributions to the Leipzig Zoo, particularly in connection with the breeding of wild animals.

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Prof Dr Arthur Simon [redacted], professor at the Dresden Technical College; for his outstanding work in the field of inorganic chemistry, particularly in connection with the Ramann-spectroscope, which makes possible the explanation of the structure of complex inorganic compounds.

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Prof Dr phil Hans-Helmuth Wundsch [redacted], director of the Institute of Fisheries of the German Academy of Agriculture in Berlin-Friedrichshagen; professor; for his work on fishery practices and the methods developed by him for exploring fishing waters.

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National Prize Class III for Art and Literature

Paul Dessau [redacted], composer, Berlin-Hohenschonhausen; for his compositions "Funeral March for Helmut Just," "Symphonic March," and the cantata "Lilo Herrmann."

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Eugen Klagemann [redacted], camera man, Berlin-Charlottenburg; for his artistic and technical achievements in photographing such recent German films as "Sammelweis," "The Marriage of Figaro," and "Geheimakten Solvay" ("Solvay Secret Files").

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Erwin Strittmatter [redacted], author, Berlin, NO; for his comedy, "Katzgraben," which ranks among the best German comedies of recent years.

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Dr Heiner Kipphardt [redacted], dramatic critic of the Deutsche Theater, Berlin; for his play, "Shakespeare dringend gesucht" ("Shakespeare Urgently Sought"), which constitutes a valuable contribution to the development of contemporary German satire.

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Karl Gruenberg [redacted], author, Berlin-Gruenau; for his novel, "Brennende Ruhr" ("The Burning Ruhr"), the new edition of which tells the German people of the revolutionary tradition of the German working class.

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Eberhard Schmidt [redacted], composer, Berlin-Johannisthal; for his songs for the masses, which are known beyond the borders of Germany, particularly for the "Thaelmann Lied" ("Thaelmann Song").

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Collective Prize: Dr Gerhard Meyer [redacted], director of the Department of the Near East at the State Museum in Berlin; Prof Siegfried Morenz, director of the Egyptian Department of the State Museum; for their outstanding work in establishing and directing the Near East and Egyptian Departments of the State Museum. (1)

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HEROES OF LABOR

[The title Hero of Labor was awarded to 42 persons in 1953. This award, first instituted in 1950, includes a certificate and a cash prize of 10,000 Deutsche marks.]

Karl Baetz [redacted], technical director of the Berlin-Oberschoeneweide Cable Factory.

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Heinrich Becker [redacted], chief of publication at the Leipzig Bibliographic Institute.

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Werner Bernsdorf, polisher at the VEB Magdeburg Construction Enterprise (Bau Union).

Franz Bettinger, mining-brigade worker at Wismut AG [uranium-mining corporation].

Josef Borowski, molding-machine operator at the Thale Iron Foundry.

Arno Eusert, instructor at the VEB Wolfen Dye Factory.

Heinz Fiedler, production chief at Wismut AG.

Franz Friedel, mining-brigade worker at Wismut AG.

Hellmut Froehlich, mining-brigade worker at Wismut AG.

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Waldeck Guenther, [redacted], plant manager at the VEB Rummelsburg Cement Factory.

Otto Gesang, miner at the VEB "Ernst Thaelmann" Potash Combine in Merkers.

Ernst Grossmann, chairman of the LPG "Walter Ulbricht" in Merxleben.

Bernhard Hamel, forger at SAG "Karl Liebknecht" Heavy Machine Building Plant in Magdeburg.

Paul Herder, locomotive engineer at the Gera Engine Terminal.

Ilse Jaehnert, combine driver at MTS Ehrenberg, Kreis Altenburg.

Herbert Kaese, bricklayer-brigade worker at the VEB Construction Enterprise in Dresden.

Kurt Keller [redacted], plant director at VEB "Karl Liebknecht" Black Coal (Stein Kohle) Plant in Oelsnitz.

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Karl Krueger, miner at the VEB Freital Black Coal Plant.

Kurt Lange, mining-brigade worker, Wismut AG.

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Arthur Matthes, master weaver at the VEB Damask and Ticking-Material Weaving Mill at Oberoderwitz.

Franz Meier, plant manager at the SAG "Ernst Thaelmann" Heavy-Machine-Building Plant in Magdeburg.

Walter Morawe, miner at the VEB "Deutschland" Black Coal Plant in Oelsnitz.

Viktor Moskaluk [redacted], plant director at the VEB Fiber-Spinning Mill in Elsterberg.

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Kurt Mueller, miner at the VEB Tungsten and Tin Ore Plant in Zschorlau.

Ulrich Muensel, miner at the "Karl Liebknecht" Black Coal Plant in Oelsnitz.

Georg Quaitzsch, scriber at the Dresden Sachsen Works in Niedersedlitz.

Helmut Riedel, chief butcher at the VEB Stockyard and Slaughterhouse in Leipzig.

Georg Rinckenbach, foreman and department head at the VEB "Willy Becker" Rolling Mill in Kirchmoeser.

Fritz Ritter, instructor in the Ministry of Construction.

Alfred Rudnick, tractor driver at the Oschersleben MTS.

Erna Sachse, flyer operator at the VEB Mittweida Cotton Spinning Mill.

Max Schaedel, brigade worker at Wismut AG.

Willi Schaefer, chairman of the LFG "Freier Bauer" ("Free Peasant") in Gross Polzin, Kreis Anklam.

Hugo Schmidt, miner at the VEB "Glueckauf" Potash Plant in Sonderhausen.

Ewald Schwiesau, mining-brigade worker at Wismut AG.

Fritz Selbmann [redacted], GDR Minister of Metallurgy and Ore Mining [in November 1953, Selbmann became Minister of Heavy Industry].

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Max Theistler, miner at the VEB "Deutschland" Black Coal Plant in Oelsnitz.

Franz Traenkel [redacted], plant manager at the VEB Wolfen Dye Factory.

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Paul Urbaniak, molder at the Thale Iron Foundry.

Ernst Wauschkuhn, tractor driver at the Bruchhagen MTS in Kreis Angermuende.

Ernst Wiegner, mine foreman at Wismut AG.

Karl Wonschick, plant engineer at the Bewag (Berlin Power Plant Corporation) Large-Scale Power Plant in Klingenberg.(2)

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MERITORIOUS PHYSICIANS OF THE PEOPLE

[Twenty-one doctors received the honorary title Meritorious Physician of the People in 1953. The award consists of a certificate, a medal, and a cash prize.]

Dr Rosemarie Albrecht [redacted], chief physician of the Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinic at the Erfurt Municipal Hospital.

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Dr Ludwig Bleisch, Kreis physician in Kreis Doebeln.

Dr Otto Connerth, director of the Wismar Municipal Children's Clinic.

Dr Carl Degenhardt, general practitioner in Ihlefeld.

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Dr Leopold Frosch [redacted], chief physician of the Orthopedic Clinic of the Maria Cloister in Arnstadt.

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Dr Joachim Granzow [redacted], chief physician of the Gynecological-Obstetrical Department of the Wismut Hospital in Erlabrunn.

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Dr Anneliese Hamann [redacted], director of the Physical-Therapeutic Institute of the Municipal Hospital in Berlin-Weissensee.

Dr W. M. Hasslinger, medical director of the Potsdam Municipal Hospital.

Dr Julius Kayser-Petersen, chief physician of the Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Jena.

Dr Franz Klink, chief physician of the Schalkau Rural Hospital.

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Dr Hans-Joachim Lappe [redacted], chief physician of the Ruedersdorf Kreis Hospital.

Dr Herbert Menze, chief of the section for skin and venereal diseases at the Municipal Hospital in Frankfurt/Oder.

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Dr Otto Richter [redacted], chief physician of the Klosterheide Sanitarium.

Dr Rudolf Roehrig, medical director of the Stassfurt Kreis Hospital.

Dr Wilhelm-Albert Spengler [45675], director of the Bezirk Hygiene Institute in Zwickau.

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Dr Alfred Swoboda [redacted], medical director of the Bad Liebenstein Hospital.

Dr Paul-Friedrich Scheel, medical director of the Orthopedic Clinic in Rostock.

Dr Kurt Scheidler, medical director of the Municipal Hospital in Berlin-Weissensee.

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Dr Hans Schneider [redacted], medical director of the Demmir Kreis Hospital.

Dr Georg Tobias, ophthalmologist in Berlin-Biesdorf, engaged in private practice.

Dr Hans Wolf, physician in charge of tuberculosis treatment in Bezirk Schwerin.(3)

MERITORIOUS TECHNICIANS OF THE PEOPLE

[The honorary title Meritorious Technician of the People was conferred on 55 persons in 1953.]

Max Bartsch, development engineer, VEB Alloy Plant, Rackwitz.

Paul Bauer, chief designer, VEB Horch Vehicle Construction Plant, Zwickau.

Dr Rudolf Bemmann, department head, "Walter Ulbricht" Leuna Works.

Ernst Bergener, plant manager, VEB "Kaiseroda" Potash Combine, Merkers.

Robert Bieri, chief engineer, SAG "Ernst Thaelmann" Heavy Machine Building Plant, Magdeburg-Buckau.

Dr Wilhelm Blauhut, deputy department head, "Walter Ulbricht" Leuna Works.

Johannes Bohmann, technical director, VEB Milling Machine Factory, Leipzig.

Kurt Boehme, chief designer, VEB Halle Design and Development Enterprise, Rosslau.

Fritz Brandt, chief designer, design office for above-ground and industrial construction of the Ministry for Construction, Dessau.

Ernst Buchmann, chief engineer, SAG "Ernst Thaelmann" Heavy Machine Building Plant, Magdeburg-Buckau.

Albert Fischer, chief designer, SAG "Karl Marx" Testing-Instruments and Fixtures Factory, Magdeburg-Buckau.

Dr Herbert Flemming, director, Institute for Wood Technology and Fiber Construction Materials.

Dr Paul Goerlich, scientific director, VEB Carl Zeiss, Jena.

Dr Albert Grimm, department head, Buna Chemical Works, Schkopau.

Herbert Grossmann, chief engineer, SAG Bleichert, Leipzig.

Gustav Hatzfeld, chief designer, SAG "Ernst Thaelmann" Heavy-Machine-Building Plant, Magdeburg-Buckau.

Carl Hesse, director, Central Laboratory of VVB Glass, Weisswasser.

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Kurt Hofmann, technical director, VEB PKM (Projects Design and Construction Office) Coal Processing Plant, Leipzig.

Karl Jacobsen, chief dispatcher, VEB Maxhuetten, Unterwellenborn.

Ludwig Kaeb, chief statistician, SAG Bleichert, Leipzig.

Victor Kirchgraber, department head, Office for Electrical Machines, SAG "Kabel", Berlin-Oberschoeneweide.

Wilhelm Kloeckner, technical director, VEB Brandenburg Construction Enterprise.

Alfred Koch, department head, SAG Siemens-Planitz, Berlin-Lichtenberg.

Georg Kuse, technical director, VEB Vehicle Construction Factory, Berlin-Wilhelmsruh.

Arthur Lange, scientific associate, Thuringen Surveying Service.

Horst Lewandowski, engineer in charge of mechanization, Wismut AG.

Friedrich Liebhold, plant manager, VEB Water Supply, Weisse Elster, Gera.

Friedrich Linder, technical director, VEB Maxhuetten, Unterwellenborn.

Otto Meduna, chief calculator, Office for Electrical Machines, SAG "Kabel", Berlin-Oberschoeneweide.

Willy Minkwitz, plant manager, VEB Finow Pipeline and Equipment Plant.

Erich C. Mueller, technical consultant, VEB Central Design Office of the Metallurgical Industries, Berlin.

Dr Herbert Mueller, main desk chief, Ministry of Heavy Industry, Berlin.

Prof Dr Karl Neubert, mine surveyer, mine-surveying group. Zwickau Black Coal Administration.

Kurt Peukert, chief department head, Nonferrous Metal Research Institute, Freiberg.

Karl Guenther Pfroepffer, chief engineer, Wismut AG.

Georg Pohler, plant manager, VEB Oberspree Cable Factory, Berlin-Oberschoeneweide.

Rudolf Reichel, chief mechanic, Wismut, AG

Fritz Richter, director, Institute for Welding Technology, Berlin-Adlershof.

Hans Guenther Riedel, director, Engineering and Technological Central Office, VEB "Otto Grotewohl" Combine, Boehlen.

Wilhelm Rohde, technical director, VEB Refrigeration Plant, Berlin-Johannisthal.

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Hans Rost, chief designer, SAG "Karl Liebknecht" Heavy-Machine-Building Plant, Magdeburg.

Dr Gerhard Seumel, department head, VEB Berlin Metal Foundry and Semi-finished Products Factory, Berlin-Niederschoene-weide.

Paul Seydel, technical director, SAG Transmasch, Rudisleben.

Dr Arthur Splittgerber, retired, Berlin.

Alexander Schilling, technical director, VEB Berlin Stockyard and Slaughterhouse.

Dr Hermann Schulze, department head, Institute for Energetics, Dresden.

Kurt Schwarzer, laboratory director, VEB Transformer and X-Ray Factory, Dresden.

Dr Otto Stange, production and plant manager, VEB Luetzkendorf Mineral Oil Factory, Krumpa/Geiseltal.

Dr Heinz Thomas, department head, planning and design office "Coal," Berlin-Weissensee.

Johannes Walther, director, Research Institute for Textile Technology, Karl-Marx-Stadt.

Hans Weissleder, technical director, VEB Design and Development Enterprise, Halle.

Hans Wernicke, technical director, VVB for Construction Material Industry, Halle.

Herbert Wimmer, chief engineer, Wismut AG

Dr Hans Winkler, Zwickau plant manager, VEB Design and Development for Cable and Apparatus Construction, Leipzig, department for accumulators and galvanic-power generators.

Otto Zschiesche, scientist and director, Research Institute for Water Transportation, Berlin-Baumschulenweg.(h)

MERITORIOUS TEACHERS OF THE PEOPLE

[The honorary title Meritorious Teacher of the People was awarded to 29 teachers in 1953. The award consists of a certificate and a medal.]

Gerhard Bauer [redacted], head of the Textile Trade School in Greiz.

Manfred Boeckel [redacted], head of the Reichenbach Vocational Trade School.

Kurt Bondam, principal of the elementary school in Brieskow-Finkenheerd.

Erich Dorn, teacher at the elementary school in Muenchen-Bernsdorf.

Heinz Eschenbach, director of the elementary school in Hamersleben.

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Helmut Gerber [redacted], deputy director of the Albrecht Thaer Agricultural School, Salzwedel.

Emma Gerbig [redacted], head of the Institute for Greek Apprentices, Leipzig.

Heinz Haase, head of the Muelsengrund Plant Vocational School.

Jochen Hertwig, director of the Pioneer Republic Elementary School "Wilhelm Pieck," Kreis Eberswalde.

Heino Hillmer, head of the plant vocational school at the Riesa Steel and Rolling Mill.

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Rudolf Hub, [redacted], head of the Department for People's Education at the Erfurt City Council.

Waldemar Jordan, director of School I for Retarded Children, Magdeburg.

Erna Jantzen, school principal in Hauteroda.

Emil Kropp, director of the Ludwigslust School for the Deaf.

Werner Keller, director of the Karl Marx Secondary School, Leipzig.

Fritz Langer, head of the vocational school at the Neptune Shipyard Rostock.

Dr Friedrich Lengacker, teacher at the secondary school in Luckenwalde.

Alfred Larondelle, director of the secondary school in Grossenhain.

Frieda Loewe, Kreis school inspector, Kreis Sangerhausen.

Erich Rennwanz, head of the agricultural vocational school in Loecknitz.

Heinz Roethig, director of the ten-grade school in Neuhausen.

Gerhard Schaelicke, head of the "Hans Marchwitza" Consumer Cooperative School, Potsdam.

Kurt Schmidt, director of the elementary school in Merschwitz.

Alois Syniawa, director of the secondary school in Cottbus.

Otto Schroeck, teacher at the secondary school in Eberswalde.

Margarete Stedeli, director of the elementary school in Ehrenfriedersdorf.

Heinz Tobolt, school principal in Thuerkow.

Kaethe Winde, director of the School for the Hard of Hearing, Berlin.

Erich Weirauch, school principal in Grabenstedt.(5)

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MERITORIOUS RAILROAD WORKERS

[The honorary title Meritorious Railroad Worker was awarded to 24 rail-
roaders in 1953. Although this award has included a cash prize in the past,
there are no indications that it included one in 1953.]

Heinz Ackermann, foreman, RAW (Railroad Repair Yard) "Einheit," Leipzig.

Otto Babst, office chief of BW (Reichsbahn Operations Plant) Grunewald.

Reinhold Barthelt, manager of the Berlin-Spandau freight station.

Karl-Heinz Buerger, president of RBD (Reichsbahn Directorate) Halle.

Roman Dassui, instructor for switching operations, RBA (Reichsbahn
Division) Magdeburg.

Gertrud Flechsig, manager of the Schoenheide-Sued railroad station.

Kurt Gaebler, chief engineer, BW Halle freight station.

Werner Goepfert, locomotive-brigade leader, BW Arnstadt.

Alfred Hilbert, engineer, BW Zwickau.

Johannes Jentsch, instructor for switching operations, Cottbus rail-
road station.

Gunter Juny, classification yard master, Pasewalk railroad station.

Gustav Kapteina, railroad section foreman, EM (Railroad Section)
Rathenw.

Wilhelm Kirchstein, chief engineer, BW Rosslau.

Erwin Kuehnel, locomotive-brigade leader, locomotive column 10, Cottbus.

Dr Hans Reingruber , professor at the Dresden Technical College.

Fritz Schmidt, deputy station master of the Eberswalde railroad station.

Fritz Schoenherr, (deceased; "murdered by fascist elements"), cultural
director, RAW Grunewald.

Bruno Schramm , president of RBD Schwerin.

Walter Schuelke, brigade machinist, RAW Cottbus.

Heinrich Stoebel, department chief, RBA Eisenach.

Heinz Ueberschaer, manager of BW Berlin-Lichtenberg.

Otto Wien, inspector (Fahrmeister), BW Berlin-Rummelsburg.

Hildegard Zachow, traffic manager, RBA Eberswalde.

Rudolf Zeidler, locomotive engineer, BW Eisenach.(6)

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MASTERS OF SPORTS

[The 1953 list of Masters of Sports included 57 names.]

Helmut Albrecht	Wrestling
Werner Assmann	Handball [a game similar to soccer]
Rolf Baeslack	Track and field
Lore Block	Track and field
Heinz Braun	Track and field
Gerhard Braune	Track and field
Werner Brock	Gymnastics
Guenther Debert	Volley ball
Hans Dittmer	Boxing
Helmut Duda	Track and field
Kurt Fischer	Handball
Arthur Flemming	Soccer
Ewald Foehrig	Motorcycle racing
Annelies Gerull	Handball
Werner Grabow	Track and field
Helmut Hanschmann	Hockey
Herbert Hansen	Ping-pong
Gunther Havenstein	Indoor bicycle game (Zweiradball)
Gerhard Heber	Track and field
Grete Herber	Track and field
Siegfried Hermann	Ping-pong
Werner Heynisch	Track and field
Ursula Hoerselmann	Swimming
Horst Ihlenfeld	Tennis
Kurt Kaempf	Track and field
Guenther Koehler	Motorcycle racing
Hans-Joachim Kolletzki	Handball
Werner Malitz	Track and field
Joachim Mueller	Bicycle racing
Christel Ney	Soccer
Helmut Nordhausen	Rowing
Eva Ploeger	Soccer
Horst Poertner	Rowing
Bruenhilde Preuss	Boxing
Heinz Preuss	Track and field
Edith Rachner	Boxing
Hans-Joachim Reich	Rowing
Helga Richter	Swimming
Walter Rose	Rowing
Walter Schmidt	Soccer
Karl Scholz	Soccer
Herbert Schoen	Track and field
Ewald Schroeder	Soccer
Guenther Schroeter	Track and field
Walter Schulz	Soccer
Heinz Schulze	Soccer
Gerda Schwichtenberg	Indoor bicycle game
Eva Setzkorn	Rowing
Gunther Siebert	Canoeing
Kurt Soell	Weight lifting
Gerhard Strache	Swimming
Erich Stumnik	Tennis
Elli Sudrow	Boxing
Ingeborg Utrecht	Track and field
Kurt Vorkauf	Track and field
Max Weber	Soccer
Ruth Wiederhold	Track and field
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