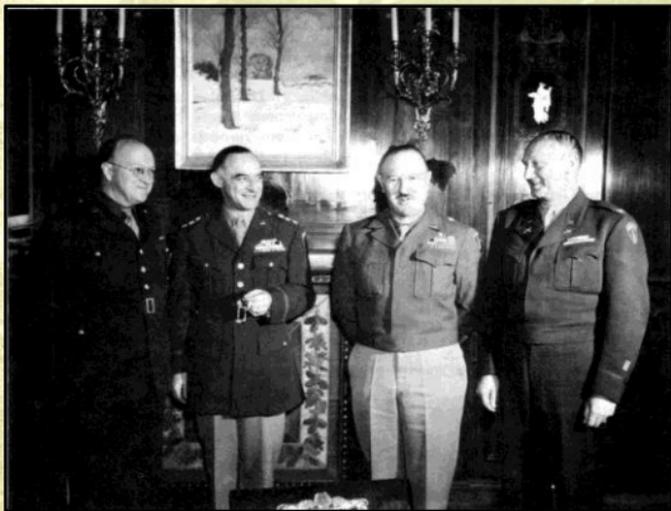


# Colonel James R. Newman

## Biography

17 Oct 1945:  
GENERAL CLAY  
(Second from left) AT  
FIRST LANDERRAT  
MEETING. On his  
right Regional  
Government Co-  
ordinator, Dr. Pollock.  
On his left General  
Muller and Colonel  
Newman, Military  
Government Directors  
for Bavaria and Greater  
Hesse, respectively.  
(U.S. Army Photo)



Dr. James R. Newman, former Military Administrator of Hesse, was born in Quality, Kentucky in 1902. He studied art history at the University of Western Kentucky, the Kentucky State Teachers College, and earned his doctorate at Columbia University in 1930. For several years he worked as a school superintendent in New York City. In 1941 he was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Army and in 1944 was assigned to the Civil Affairs organization planning for the post-war occupation of Germany. In May 1945 he became the first military administrator in Neustadt and subsequently was assigned to what would become the modern state of Hesse. As the Military Administrator for Hesse, Dr. Newman worked vigorously to assist in rebuilding the German civilian government and the German economy, was instrumental in the relaxation of censorship and other occupation regulations, and oversaw the establishment of first democratic elections. Dr. Newman died in 1964.