

### Pongracz on Budapest Problems: Housing Shortage

A conference at the Budapest City Hall of Deputies for Budapest, members of Budapest PPF Committees and leaders of the City Council took place on 17th July. Dr. Kalman Pongracz, Chairman of the City Council Executive, reported. "The shortage of flats", he said, "is Budapest's greatest problem. By the end of the year 5,400 flats will be completed, but about 3,800 of these have already been arbitrarily occupied." The Council would shortly draw up Budapest's Three-year Plan. Important draft bye-laws to be submitted to the Council included conditions of service for house caretakers; regulations for tenants and on the use of shop premises along main thoroughfares, and plans for a holiday camp at Romai Furdoo. The Council was preparing a by-law to deal with traffic noise in Budapest. It was decided to maintain closer liaison in future between Budapest City Council and the Budapest Deputies' group. (Budapest 02.30, 17.7.57)