

PART V

That the Division of Information may, with the proper equipment and an adequate fund, become the medium for a substantial distribution of aliens there can be no doubt. That such an extension of its functions and powers is well advised seems to us likewise axiomatic. Without the means at its disposal to deflect the stream of immigration by defraying the cost of transportation of worthy immigrants to points in the interior where employment may be found for them, the information it gives and the work it performs becomes, from the practical point of view, of unappreciable value. We have already shown in this review how this element of the cost of transportation precludes the largest portion of the applicants for information from locating elsewhere.

We have taken the liberty of suggesting in the last annual report of the Industrial Removal Office that the scope of the Division of Information be extended, and I believe that the crux of the question is summed up in this citation:

"Not only has there been a growing recognition of the soundness and the importance of the work of distribution, but the Government has shown its appreciation of that principle by the inauguration of the Division of Information of the Department of Labor. The services rendered by this Division of Information are not unimportant, yet it must be confessed that it suffers fundamental limitations because the Government has not granted it either the appropriation or the machinery which would enable it to perform adequately the work for which it was founded. While the Division extends information to thousands of immigrants, advising them as to conditions in the interior, hundreds of thousands of immigrants are arriving. Since the Government has evidenced its moral sympathy with the distribution of immigration by establishing this Division, should it not grant the bureau that practical support which will justify its existence? It can do more; it can undertake such a wide distribution of immigration as will adjust population to economic conditions and opportunities. And it can do this by reason of its vast resources and the adequate ma-

chinery at its disposal. Surely the Government must have watched with anxiety the overexpansion of the larger cities and the consequent lack of adjustment between the labor markets of this country. If it is at all disposed to remedy this unfortunate situation then, we repeat, it has the facilities and can utilize its resources to organize distribution of population on a comprehensive scale."

Orchard Demonstration

The Federation of Jewish Farmers of America in co-operation with Prof. C. D. Jarvis of the Connecticut Agricultural College, will hold an orchard demonstration on the farm of Mr. O. Berman (Hall Place), Colchester, Conn., on Thursday, March 26th, at one o'clock in the afternoon and will be continued all day. On Friday the orchard demonstration will be continued on the farm of Mr. J. Levitta at Leonards Bridge, Conn. Besides Professor Jarvis, there will be several Jewish students from the Connecticut Agricultural College, who will assist in the orchard demonstration. The demonstration will consist in pruning old trees and also showing how to spray. Spraying apparatus will be on hand and all details of spraying will be explained. Orchard demonstration at Stepney, Conn., will be held in the latter part of the month. Announcements of same will be mailed directly to the farmers. It is also planned to hold orchard demonstrations in New Jersey and New York.

At this meeting the following will also be present: Gabriel Davidson, assistant manager of the Jewish Agricultural and Industrial Aid Society; J. W. Pincus, secretary of the Federation of Jewish Farmers of America; Mr. William J. Stanton, general manager of the Massachusetts Credit Union of Boston, Mass., the recently organized association for the purpose of assisting in the formation of Credit Unions in the State. The capital of Massachusetts Credit Union is about \$10,000, and it has been contributed largely by the leading Jewish citizens of Boston through the efforts of Mr. Max Mitchell, vice-president of the Cosmopolitan Trust Company, and former superintendent of the Hebrew Charities of Boston.

THE MOTION PICTURE STORY

"How the Jews Take Care of Their Poor"

A Film Story in Two Reels by Benjamin H. Namm and Max Abelman

Produced by the Universal Film Manufacturing Co. (Carle Laemmle, Pres.), in Co-operation with the BROOKLYN FEDERATION OF JEWISH CHARITIES

Synopsis

A young Russian Jewess, after the death of her husband, comes to America with her little boy and girl. Upon landing at Ellis Island they are met by a charitable worker from the Brooklyn Council of Jewish Women, who looks after their welfare.

She is taken to live with her brother, who is a poor tinsmith. A short time later she falls in health and dies, and her dying wish to her brother is that he will care for her children. He promises to do so. But misfortune befalls him, and he is stricken with illness while working. He is brought home and kind friends notify the Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, which is the central agency for all Jewish charities in Brooklyn. They send a young lady investigator and she immediately takes the entire situation in hand.

The Jewish Hospital of Brooklyn is requested to send an ambulance at once. The brother is taken to the hospital and examined and it is decided by the physicians that he must be operated upon immediately for appendicitis.

The children, who are now left uncared for by the illness of their uncle, are taken to the Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

In the meantime the uncle has been successfully operated upon, and after his convalescence he is discharged from the hospital completely cured.

His first thought upon leaving the hospital is to visit his children at the orphan asylum. He calls there and finds that they are cared for in an excellent way. The children enjoy their life there, and the uncle thanks the management of the orphan asylum for their tender care, and departs.

After several years the Board of Directors of the Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities assemble at the orphan asylum to attend the commencement exercises of this institution. It so happens that the speaker chosen to deliver the valedictorian address is the little orphan boy who was left there by his uncle several years before.

His address is called "Charity, or How the Jews Care for Their Poor," and with impassioned voice and tear-dimmed eyes he extols the noble work done by the Federation. In his address he states that the Federation was the means of caring for his mother when she arrived here, for his uncle when he became ill and for himself and his sister after they became homeless.

As he speaks, the scenes which are described appear in vision. The audience is deeply impressed, particularly one philanthropist, who decides to learn more of the work of the Federation.

He calls at the offices of the Federation and there he is shown its advantages and many poor applicants applying for help. He is so impressed with the work that is done that he gives a large sum of money as a donation to the Federation, hoping that his act will serve as an example to all Jews to further the splendid charity carried on by the Federation.

Social Workers, Attention!

You possibly know that there is a definite movement on foot now for a federation of all the Young Men's Hebrew and Kindred Associations throughout the United States. This federation is to be known as the Council of Y. M. H. and Kindred Associations. The Board of Managers thought it might be possible to interest some of you in making a study of conditions at institutions in various cities along the route to Memphis. This could be effected by arranging stop-overs at two or three cities along the line, and the reports could then be sent to us. All expenses attendant upon the lengthened period of travel and study in the city would be met by the Council. For further details and arrangements, please write to I. E. Goldwasser, chief of the Board of Experts, Hester and Essex Streets, New York, N. Y.

PROGRAM OF MEMPHIS CONFERENCE

(Tentative Draft, Subject to Change)

Wednesday Afternoon, May 6th, 2.30 o'clock

SESSION CHAIRMAN—MR. MAX HERZBERG, Philadelphia.

First Subject—"FREE LOANS."

Paper by Mr. J. J. Dukas, New York.

Discussion by Mr. Julius Goldman, New Orleans, and Mr. H. Feiman, Philadelphia.

Second Subject—"THE SELF-RESPECT FUND."

Paper by Dr. Lee K. Frankel, New York.

Discussion by Mr. Oscar Leonard, St. Louis, and Mr. A. S. Newman, Cleveland.

Wednesday Evening, May 6th, 8 o'clock**Formal Opening Session**

Opening Prayer—Dr. Max Samfield.

Address of Welcome on Behalf of the Federation of Jewish Charities—President Leon Sternberger.

Address of Welcome on Behalf of the City of Memphis, Tenn.—Mr. Bolton Smith.

Address—President Cyrus L. Sulzberger.

Address—"THE RELATIONS OF SOCIAL AGENCIES TO INDUSTRIAL WELFARE." Belle Lindner
Israel, New York.

Address—"RABBI AND SOCIAL WORKER." Rabbi George Fox, Fort Worth.

Benediction—Rabbi W. H. Fineschreiber.

Thursday Morning, May 7th, 10 o'clock

SESSION CHAIRMAN—DAVID M. BRESSLER, New York.

First Subject—"ORIENTAL IMMIGRATION."

Paper by Dr. de Sola Pool, New York.

Discussion by Mr. Maurice B. Hexter, Cincinnati.

Second Subject—"IMMIGRATION AND THE PANAMA CANAL."

Paper by Mr. Lucius L. Solomons, San Francisco.

Discussion by Mr. Cyrus L. Sulzberger, New York, and Mr. Maurice Epstein,
Galveston.REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON PALESTINIAN CHARITIES—
Prof. Richard Gottheil, Chairman.**Thursday Afternoon, May 7th, 2.30 o'clock**

SESSION CHAIRMAN—JUDGE JULIAN W. MACK.

First Subject—"TRANSPORTATION RULES AND DECISIONS."

Paper by Mr. Max Herzberg, Philadelphia.

Discussion by Mr. Max Senior, Cincinnati.

Second Subject—SUBJECT TO BE CHOSEN.

Thursday Evening, May 7th, 8 o'clock

SESSION CHAIRMAN—PRESIDENT SULZBERGER.

First Subject—"HOW TO FEDERATE A SMALLER COMMUNITY."

Paper by G. A. Berlinsky, Denver.

Discussion by Mr. George Ellman, Memphis, and Henry E. Hess, Mobile, Ala.

Second Subject—"THE DISTRIBUTION OF A FIVE-THOUSAND-DOLLAR ANNUAL BUDGET."

Paper by Mr. Charles Strull, Louisville.

Discussion by Rev. Sol. L. Kory, Vicksburg, and Rev. W. H. Fineschreiber, Memphis.

Friday Morning, May 8th, 10 o'clock

SESSION CHAIRMAN—MISS MINNIE F. LOW, Chicago.

First Subject—"ADVANCE IN SETTLEMENT WORK."

Paper by Mr. Jacob L. Billikopf, Kansas City.

Discussion by Mr. Charles S. Bernheimer, Brooklyn, and Rev. Emanuel Sternheim,
Greenville.

Second Subject—"STANDARDS OF RELIEF."

Paper by Mr. Boris D. Bogen, Cincinnati.

Discussion by Mr. M. D. Waldman, New York, and Miss Frances Taussig, Chicago.

Friday Afternoon, May 8th, 2.30 o'clock

PRESIDENT SULZBERGER Presiding.

First Subject—"CHICAGO WOMEN'S AID SOCIETY."

Paper by Mrs. Jennie L. Purvin, Chicago.

Second Subject—To be chosen.

Discussion by Miss Minnie F. Low, Chicago.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

LOCAL COMMITTEES

The following local committee have been appointed to co-operate with the National Conference of Jewish Charities in arranging for the meetings at Memphis:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mr. D. Sternberg (chairman), Mr. Elias Gates, Mr. Charles J. Haase, Mr. J. D. Block, Mr. R. Bernhold and Mr. Benjamin Goodman.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE—Rabbi W. H. Fineschreiber (chairman), Mr. Simon Jacobs, Mr. M. H. Mayor, Mr. Abraham Goodman, Mr. Jacob Marks, Mr. H. Bendorf, Mr. Joseph Fader, Mr. Elias Lowenstein, Mr. E. Alperin, Mr. E. Rawitzer, Mr. S. L. Lee, Mr. Harry Cohn, Mr. Robert Cohn and Mr. J. Newburger.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE—Mr. L. G. Pape (chairman), Mr. H. Bluthenthal, Mr. Otto Metzger, Mr. Albert Dreyfus, Mr. S. Burchart, Mr. D. Grief and Mr. J. Goldsmith.

PRESS COMMITTEE—Dr. Max Samfield (chairman), Mr. Israel Peres, Mr. B. W. Hirsh, Mr. Samuel Hirsch and Mr. Barnette Moses.

FINANCE COMMITTEE—Mr. Leon Sternberger (chairman), Mr. Max Heilbronner, Mr. Simon Levi and Mr. I. H. Bendorf.

Headquarters—Rates

The Headquarters of the Conference will be at the Hotel Chisca, an up-to-date hotel.

The rates at the Chisca are:

\$1.50 a day for room without bath.

\$2.00 to \$3.50 a day with private bath.

\$2.50 a day for two in room, double bed, no bath.

\$4.00 a day for two in room with bath.

Delegates should make their reservations at once, in order to get accommodations at headquarters.

Delegates will kindly send their names to JEWISH CHARITIES as soon as possible. Prompt notification will help many intending to attend the Conference to make arrangements in groups or in other acceptable ways. There is only one more issue before the Conference.