

unloaded upon other shoulders, and it is my deep conviction that Jewish communal life, and the problem of meeting the needs of that life, will never develop to the extent which we as a fairly large group of four and a half million people are entitled to until we succeed in unloading the much simpler problems upon the organized state.

May I add only one more thought. No particular convention or conference is going to solve the problem of unemployment in general. There are, however, specific Jewish aspects of this problem which have only been accentuated through the last year or two, but which are of a permanent character. One of these is the problem of Jewish unemployment. Not because Jewish unemployment is greater. An analysis of the employment situation from a Jewish point of view will probably demonstrate that in terms of quantity of employment the Jews have not suffered as much as other groups. But the problem of the Jew in American economic life is very much more complicated, much deeper, and much more permanent. It is the problem of anti-Jewish economic discrimination. This problem has only been accentuated during the last year, it has not been created, and no change in the general industrial situation will make any substantial change in it. It is a problem not for social workers alone;

News from the National Conference of Jewish Social Service

Plans for the 1932 Conference to be held in Philadelphia May 12 to 15, are rapidly taking shape. The following announcements are made for the guidance of members and friends who are planning to participate in the Conference:

Headquarters will be at Benjamin Franklin Hotel. Hotel reservations should be made promptly through Mr. William Hirsch, Secretary of our Local Committee on Arrangements, 243 South 6th Street, Philadelphia.

Dr. Maurice J. Karpf, President of the National Conference of Jewish Social Service, has appointed a Program Committee consisting of representatives of all of the major groups in the Jewish Social Work Field and in addition has considered in his appointments, the matter of geographical distribution. The continuity of Conference programs is being safeguarded in the Committee appointments by the retention of several persons who served as members of the Program Committees of the preceding year and the year before.

Dr. John Slawson, Chairman of the general Program Committee, reports that the theme for the National Conference of Jewish Social Service to be held in Philadelphia,

it is a general problem in which Jewish communal leaders and social workers may all have to do their collective thinking. It is one of the most serious problems in the life of the American Jewish community, its position in the economic life of this country. Some of you may know that an effort has been made to bring together some of the national Jewish agencies concerned with this problem. There is just a very beginning of collective thinking on the subject. Probably the thorough thinking will have to wait until the emergency has passed.

There are, therefore, specific Jewish problems, whether they require special Jewish money for relief, or not, that do require Jewish thinking.

Our difficulty has been until now that we had to do so much work and thinking on problems which in no other civilized country do groups of this kind expect to be able to solve. These are the problems which the state must grapple with. If the state stands there for purposes of social organization its primary duty is to meet the problems of economic need. But in addition to these general problems, there may be groups such as ours which have their own problems, and their productive efforts should be directed to these special problems.

May 12-15 inclusive, is tentatively, "Changing Trends in Methods and Scope of Jewish Social Work in America."

The program will probably consist of four general sessions on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evening and Sunday morning, and six sectional meetings and round tables during the mornings, noons, and afternoons.

The Program Committee will attempt to evolve a program covering the basic and significant changes in scope and methods occurring in the fields of:

- I. Community Organization
- II. Case Work
- III. Jewish Education
- IV. Jewish Community Centers
- V. Child Care—Institutional
- VI. Child Care—Foster home
- VII. Health
- VIII. Care of the Aged
- IX. National Organizations
- X. Regional Case Workers

The general sessions, in all probability, will treat of general aspects of Jewish communal life in America and abroad pertaining to the economic, cultural, industrial, and international problems confronting American Jewry.

Specialized groups, such as those represented by the Home Economics Committee, the Institutional Child-Care Group,

the Behavior Problem Group, and the Social Loan, will contribute to the program through the ten subdivisions.

Dr. Slawson requests readers of the Jewish Social Service Quarterly to send suggestions with reference to subject matter and other topics pertaining to program construction to the Chairman of the Program Committee.

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