U. S. ARMY REFUGEE RECEPTION CENTER Headquarters Camp Kilmer, N. J.

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1. Due to the large numbers of people living together for the first time in our compact community, it is the responsibility of each person to follow simple rules of hygiene and sanitation in order to avoid illness. Clean and orderly quarters and grounds will add to your health as well as to your comfort and happiness while living at Kilmer.

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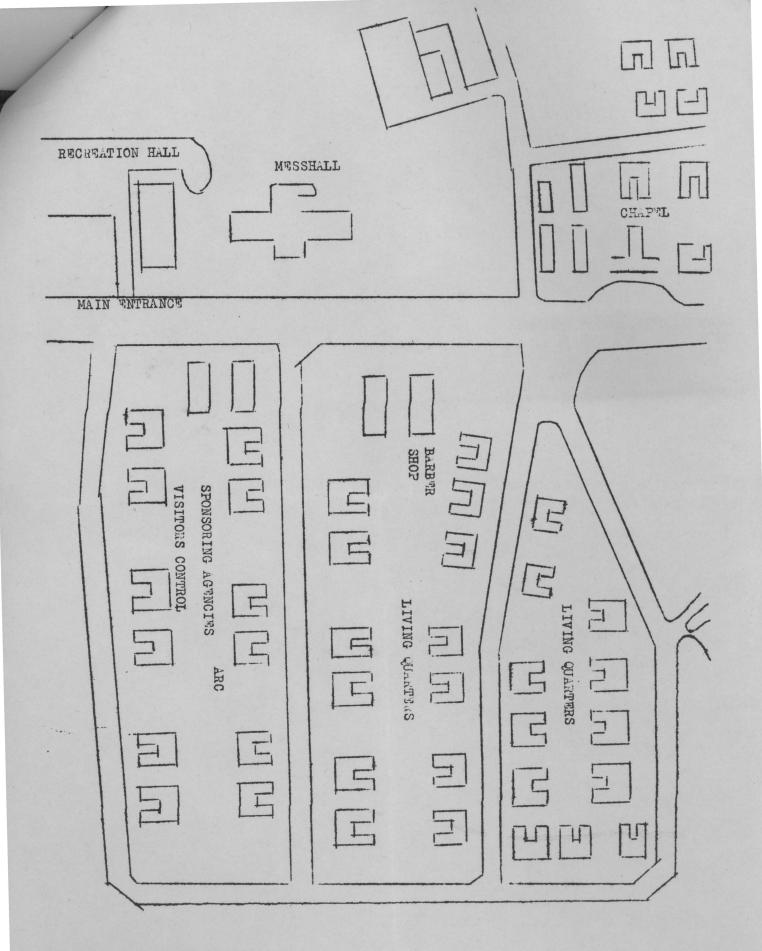
3. The hair should be shampooed sufficiently often to prevent headlice.

4. Daily brushing of teeth will avoid mouth infections. Hand washing before eating will reduce the possibility of gastro-intestinal disease.

5. Underclothing should be laundered frequently.

6. Keep your living quarters as clean as possible. The following simple rules will help:

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- b. Do not throw newspapers, magazines, old clothing, or rags into toilet bowls, these articles will clog the sewerage system and cause unsanitary conditions in bath rooms.
- c. Deposit old razor blades only in the special cans provided.
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- f. If you see evidence of rats or mice at any time, notify the dispensary.
- g. Ventilate your quarters sensibly by opening a window here and there.
- h. If buildings are excessively cold or hot report the fact to your Area Commander.



Inclosure 3 to Welcome Letter

SCRIPT FOR A SOUND SLIDE FILM TO BE SHOWN FOR ORIENTATION PURPOSES TO ALL INCOMING REFUGEES AT KILMER

- 1. MAIN TITLE: "THIS IS KILMER" Supered over wide shot of camp.
- 1. A, B. C., etc. Exteriors of Kilmer, various angles and locations.

2. Interior bus, Horvath family.

3. Omitted

4. Exterior, bus turning in at Kilmer gate.

5. and 6. Omitted

7. Family and others dismounting from bus.

MUSIC: IN FULL FOR TITLES, THEN DOWN TO BG, VARYING TO FIT MOOD THROUGHOUT

NARRATION

taking chance

This is Kilmer, once an Army camp from which millions of American troops embarked to help liberate Europe from the Nazis. After World WarII, these barracks and buildings were closed for years, these streets deserted. Now they have been re-opened to provide a haven for the thousands who have come here before you, and those who will follow after you in search of freedom.

On a bus like the one that brought you here sat the Hervath family, not many weeks ago.

Their bus entered this gate as yours did, and after that what happened to this family from Csepreg Vasmegge is, by and large, what you may expect will happen to you.

When they first set foot in their temporary new home, they knew that they would be here possibly for a few days, possibly for a few weeks. Perhaps you have already experienced some of the first procedures through which they went. 9. Interior Mess Hall. Horvath family being served first meal.

10. Family eating first meal.

10. A Boy eating turkey leg.

11. Little girl with turkey leg and woman laughing.

 Wide shot of people eating in Mess Hall.

 Agriculture inspection -- father and others, with plastic bag full of lemons.

 Customs inspection -- people and suitcases. For their own benefit, for the benefit of those around them, and for the benefit of those who would be their neighbors in America, they were given a medical examination. Those who were found to be ailing, were sent immediately to the Reception Center Hospital for medical care.

After that, refreshment, which helped somewhat to relieve the weariness that follows a long journey.

Food was plentiful. They were told that they might go back for second helpings, if they wished.

But some people don't believe in taking chances.

After dining, the Horvath family and all who had arrived with them underwent some necessary processing which you may already have put behind you.

They were asked to turn in any fruit or plants that they had brought with them -- a precaution against importing some unwelcome plant disease.

Like all visitors to these shores, their baggage was checked by the United States Customs Service for firearms, liquor, and other contraband. Immigration interview -- family at desk, girl sitting in chair marked "Det. 19, Rm. 13."

16. USES interview -- family and interviewer holding "Position Classification Form."

- 17. Red Cross measuring father's weist.
- 18. Girl wearing coat before mirror at Red' Cross.

- 19. Exterior barracks, night, people filing in.
- 20. Interior barracks, family getting settled.

21. Exterior -- mother and child, child pointing up street toward soldiers. The Immigration authorities took down information needed for their files. Elsewhere in the Immigration Building, the Horvaths were fingerprinted, and photographed.

The first step toward getting a job in America -- questions by the United States Employment Service about past experience, education, and skills . . . questions that would help match worker to task.

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At the Red Cross, their measure was taken in a different way.

They were given clothing . . . just enough to supplement their own . . . for later on, when they moved to their ultimate destination, they would be able to buy all the clothes they needed. In the meantime, since more travelling lay ahead of them, they would find it to their advantage to travel light.

Now they were shown to their first home in America -- a temporary home in the processing center.

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They would be here for a short time only, and then move again, to a different part of the camp . . . in many ways a more pleasant part, as you shall see. But during that time, they had questions to ask, as well as questions to answer.

legether, even for a sport while.

For example: Why were there so many soldiers here? What did it mean?

- 22. Mother and child talking to interpreter.
- 23. Soldier bringing bedding.

24. Soldier putting baggage into truck.

25. Soldier serving food.

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- 25A. Soldier, etc., with baby bottle.
- 26. Interior, soldier with pad answering questions.

27. MPs and Border Guards at gate.

Establishing shot, "The Village,"

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28. Mother washing clothes.

An interpreter gave them the answer: The soldiers were here for only one purpose -- to serve them --

-- as housekeepers --

-- as men-of-all-work . . .

They were here to make it possible for the new arrivals to spend their own time doing things that would speed them on their way to their ultimate destination.

Some, whose families had come over from Hungary a generation before, were there to answer whatever questions the new arrivals might have.

Even the guards at the gate who prevented the new arrivals from leaving the post did so because in America, as in most countries, a person who can neither speak the language nor show a visa would be in difficulty with the policy if found aimlessly walking the streets. With time, and after proper procedure, the guards would willingly let them pass. But not yet.

The new arrivals were asked to do certain things for themselves, of course. When people live crowded together, even for a short while, cleanliness becomes essential to the health and comfort of all.

- 29. Man's hand deposits razor blade.
- 30. Hand with newspaper over toilet.

31. (Food remnants under bed) (Or as shot)

32. An unmade bed, strewn with clothes.

Wide shot, Mess Hall, people

33. Can and cigarette butt.

34. Firehouse and truck.

35. Establishing shot, "The Village."

35A. Reunion.

There were certain places to put certain things, they learned . . .

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. . . and certain places not to put certain things. If one misuses a convenience, it will have its revenge in short order.

Everyone was requested not to bring food home from the Mess Hall. Food attracts vermin, and vermin carries disease.

Multiply this situation a few times and imagine the result. Everyone was asked to make up the beds and straighten the rooms immediately after breakfast.

These are for cigarette butts . . . and no smoking in bed, if you please.

This is here, but we hope we'll never have to use it.

Shortly after they arrived at Kilmer, the Horvaths changed their address once more . . . moving out of the processing area and into "The Village."

One of the pleasant surprises was a chance reunion with friends they had not seen since they had left Hungary. Good friends, safe and sound, reunited.

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- 36. Exterior or interior, people relaxing, conversing.
- 37. Sick call -- kids and nurse.
- 37A. Girl with bandaged foot on table.
- 38. Exterior dispensary with ambulance.
- 39. Wide shot, Mess Hall, people eating.

40. Men report at block billeting office for meal tickets.

41. Father and others picking up PX checks.

42. Road sign, sponsoring agencies.

42A. "President's Committee" sign.

42B Directory of all agencies and groups.

Otherwise, life settled down into a pleasant, predictable pattern.

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There was a certain time of day to report to the dispensary for treatment of any minor ailment or injury.

For anyone seriously ill, medical service was available at any hour of day or night, at a moment's notice.

There were certain hours for meals . . 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. for breakfast. . 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. for lunch . . and dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the evenings.

Once a day, the head of the family reported to the office to pick up meal tickets for the entire family.

Once a week, each member of the family, ten years of age and over, received a PX check worth \$2.50 at the Post Exchange.

Now that the government was satisfied that all was in order the sponsoring agencies were ready to go to work.

To coordinate all of the agencies that were here to help the new arrivals, President Eisenhower had appointed a committee.

There are many groups represented at Kilmer -- labor groups, church groups, educational and scientific organizations, and agencies of the United States government -- all of them here to assist you, to answer your questions, to help you in building a path to the future.

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MS, father and interviewer.

44. CS interviewer, holding out letter.

45. Reverse angle, father reading letter.

46. Mother and others in PX.

46A. Wide shot of PX.

47. Mother at sewing machine.

48. Ironing.

49. Rec Hall -- television.

50. Gymnasium.

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51. Music room -- listening to records.

The chief task was to find the new arrivals a permanent home, and the breadwinner of the family a permanent job suited to his talents.

There was no shortage of openings, Mr. Horvath discovered. Letters like this one from American industrialists and businessmen had been pouring in --

-- offers of employment to any man who had the required skill. Things looked brighter to Gyula Horvath than they had for some time.

And to Mrs. Horvath, too. There were so many ways to enjoy the hours of leisure. Shopping at the Post Exchange, for one. . .

Sewing . .

Doing a little ironing, with able assistance.

There was television to watch and, twice a day, there were movies.

The gymnasium was well equipped for team sports, tumbling, weightlifting . . . take your choice.

(MUSIC: IF POSSIBLE, BRING IN JAZZ RECORD FOR #51 ONLY)

One could listen to music in the record room.

52. Group with musical instruments.

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53. Reading room -- Hungarian papers and magazines.

53A. Learning English -- blackboard.

54. Telephone shot.

55. Exterior chapel.

56. Wedding shot.

57. Sunday service.

58. Family kneeling in prayer.

59. Exterior, "The Village" --transitional shot.

60. Talking to interviewer.

Or join with other musicians for an impromptu concert.

Philip weather and the first water

In the reading room of the Recreation Hall were books in Hungarian as well as newspapers and periodicals.

And one could begin to learn the language of the new country.

One could telephone to friends and relatives in the United States, with the assistance of the American Red Cross.

Within a short distance, there was a chapel for worshippers of all faiths.

Here several young couples decided to begin their new life in America together.

Every Sunday morning, religious services were held, and all were invited to attend the church of their choice.

God hears his people, where they are, in whatever language they speak.

The Horvaths had been in Kilmer aweek now.

They talked to friendly counselors about their future in America -about a place to work and a house to live in. 61. Father and mother at loudspeaker.

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62. Family saying goodbye to friends who are leaving.

- 63. Reaction shot, father and mother waving isrewell.
- 64. Mother at locator board.

65. Mother talks to interpreter near locator.

66. (They receive word of their relocation)

67. Map of USA.

They listened to the announcements that came over the public address system. . . and one day they heard news that made them both happy and sad.

Their friends, the Baloghs had found a home. There was a job waiting for Mr, Balogh in the city of Chicago.

Another part of the past was moving away from them.

Still, the past was well represented. On the locator board, they found names that they knew . . . names of friends still in Hungary. From all

over America, from Hungarian immigrants and the descendants of Hungarian immigrants had come inquiries about friends and relatives in the old country. Were they safe? Were they coming here?

Someone was there who would pass on the news of loved ones in Hungary to the people in America who were concerned over their fate.

Then, one day, it happened -- the thing they'd been waiting for. It was their turn to leave.

From Kilmer, they would go to a town they had never heard of before -- but after all, they had never heard of Kilmer, either, until a month ago. 69. Farewells.

70. Family on bus, leaving Kilmer.

71. Wheat fields.

72. City skyline.

73. Mountains.

74. Shopping center.

75. A home.

76, 77, and following: Shots of Kilmer ... gates... and, finally, There were a few final formalities . such as turning in the bedclothes that had been loaned to them during their stay here. The clothing they had received was theirs to keep.

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From the window of their train, they would learn more than words can teach about the size, the variety, and beauty of the land they had entered . . . the farms. . .

The cities . . .

The majestic, towering mountains. .

The thriving shopping centers . . .

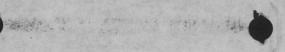
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Feel free now, becaus e you are free, and ask whatever questions you would like us to answer.

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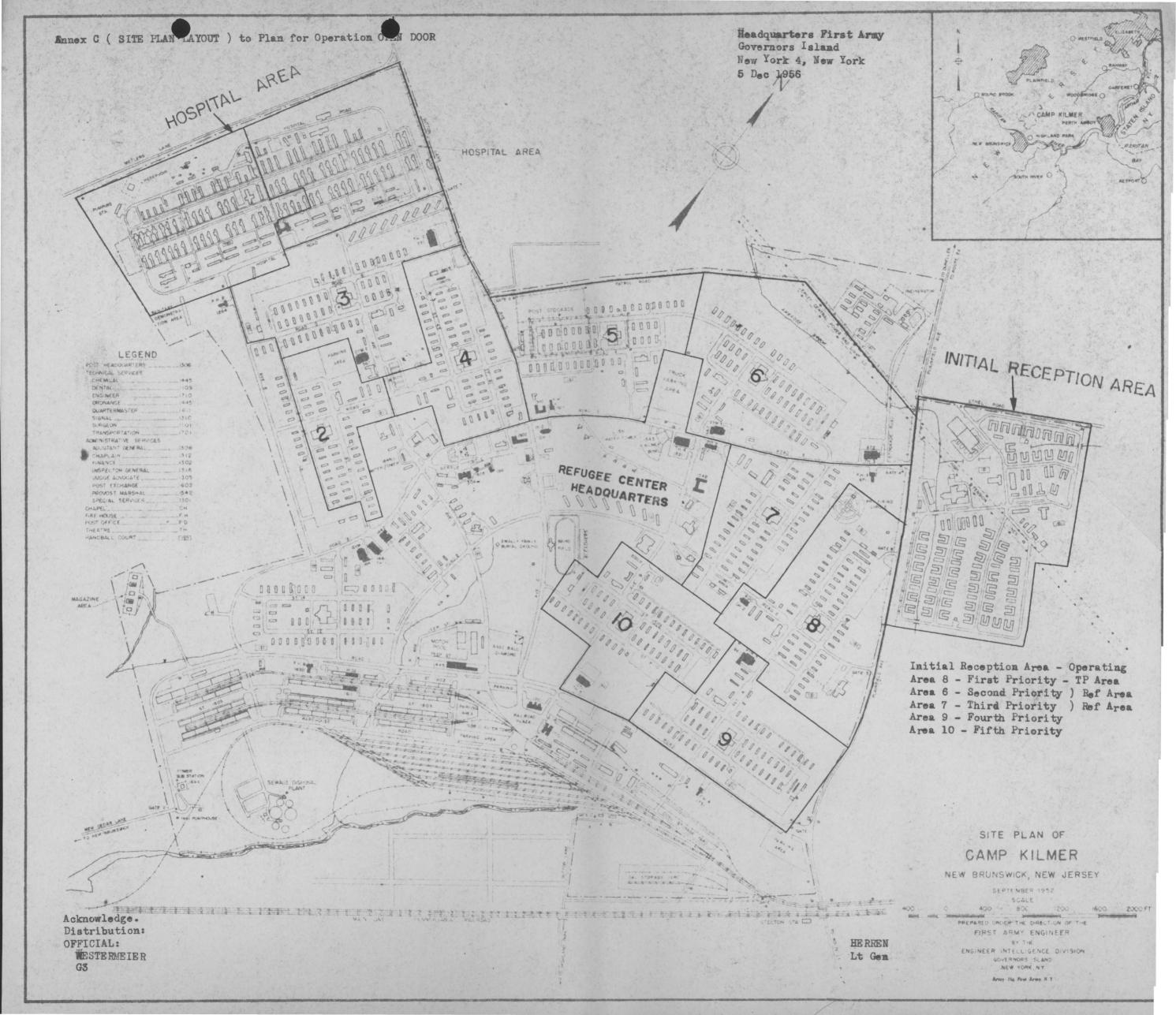
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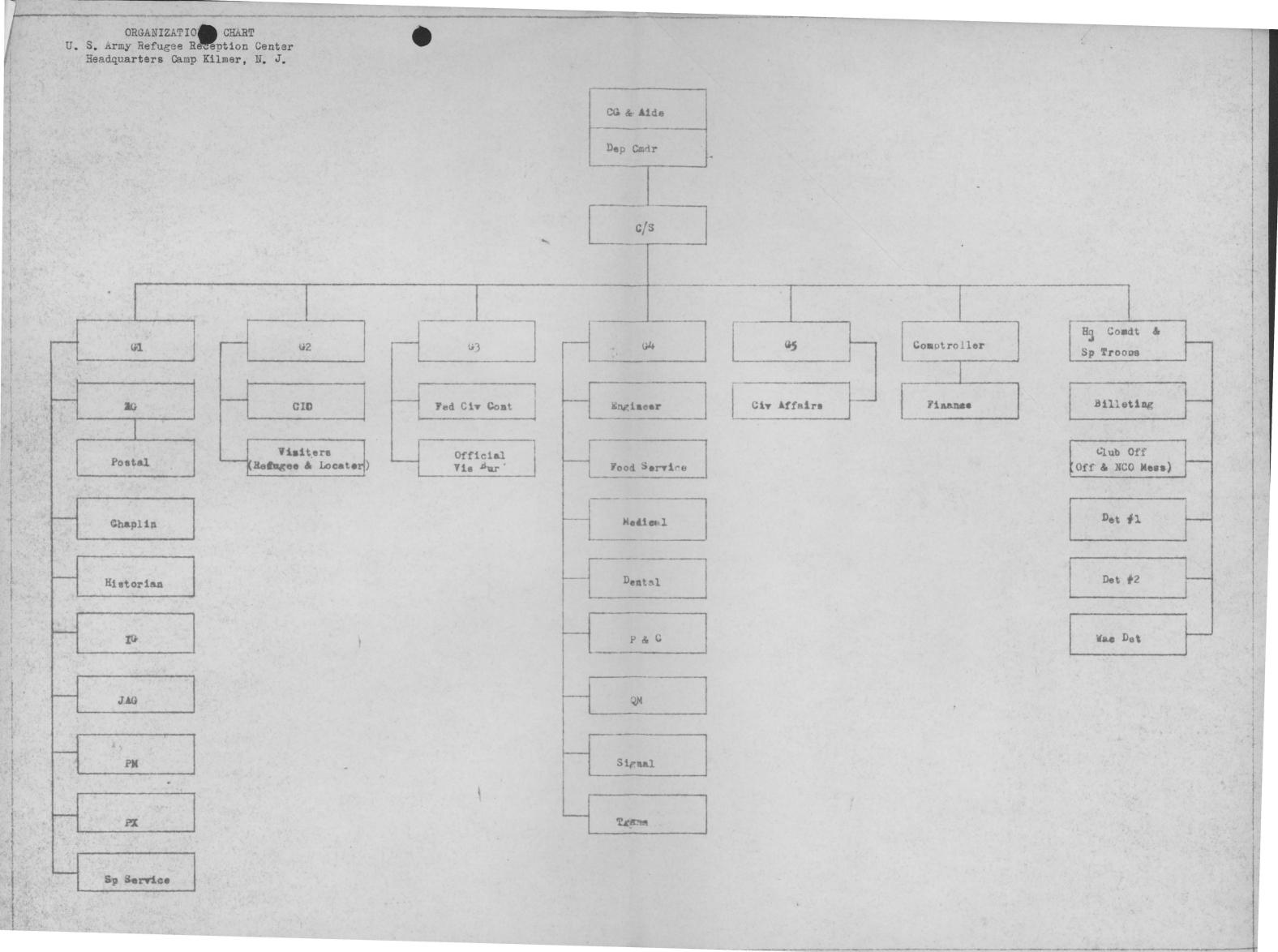
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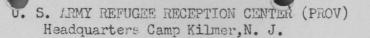
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- 3. Dress warmly but do not become overheated.
- 4. Wear rubber overshoes if available, and avoid wet feet. If feet get wet, dry them immediately on returning to living quarters.
- 5. When coughing or sneezing, cover your mouth with a handkerchief. Do not expectorate on floors; use the cans provided for cigarette butts.
- 6. If you feel ill, report to the nearest dispensary (building 604 in Area 6 and building 2028 in the Reception Area) and ask to see the doctor. Do not delay, as early treatment will avoid complications such as Pneumonia.
- 7. If you have a cold, get as much rest as possible, and drink lots of fluids. Unless there is improvement in the first 24 hours, report to the dispensary.

Inclosure 1 to Welcome Letter

5. ARMY REFUGEE RECEPTION CENTE (PROV) Headquarters Camp Kilmer, N. J.

HYGIENE AND SANITATION RULES

1. Due to the large numbers of people living together for the first time in our compact community, it is the responsibility of each person to follow simple rules of hygiene and sanitation in order to avoid illness. Clean and orderly quarters and grounds will add to your health as well as to your comfort and happiness while living at Kilmer.

2. All persons should bathe sufficiently often to maintain body cleanliness and especially to avoid infestation with body lice. The development of lousiness could be a serious threat to the health of the while population here. On the slightest suspicion that you, a member of your family or other member of the camp is harboring lice, report immediately to the dispensary. (Building 604 in Area 6 and building 2028 in the Reception area).

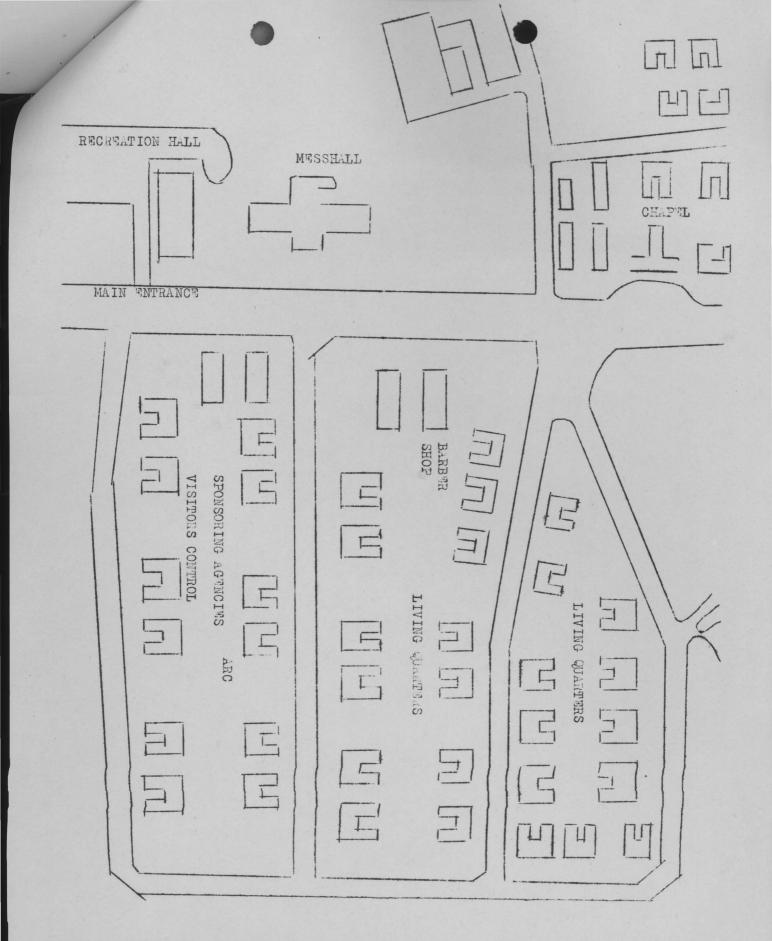
3. The hair should be shampcoed sufficiently often to prevent headlice.

4. Daily brushing of teeth will avoid mouth infections. Hand washing before eating will reduce the possibility of gastro-intestinal disease.

5. Underclothing should be laundered frequently.

6. Keep your living quarters as clean as possible. The following simple rules will help:

- a. Deposit all trash in metal containers provided for this purpose.
- b. Do not throw newspapers, magazines, old clothing, or rags into toilet bowls, these articles will clog the sewerage system and cause unsanitary conditions in bath rooms.
- c. Deposit old razor blades only in the special cans provided.
- d. Do not throw paper, trash, or food particles on the ground, but only in trash containers.
- e. Do not carry food from the mess halls into your living quarters (except fruit and milk). Food in living quarters will attract rats or mice.
- f. If you see evidence of rats or mice at any time, notify the dispensary.
- g. Ventilate your quarters sensibly by opening a window here and there.
- h. If buildings are excessively cold or hot report the fact to your Area Commander.



Inclosure 3 to Welcome Letter

U. S. ARMY REFUGEE RECEPTION CENTER HEADQUARTERS CAMP KILMER, NEW JERSEY

REFUGEE REPORT

(As of 2400 Hours 26 December 1956)

| 1. | Total Planes | 190 |
|----|----------------------------|--------|
| 2. | Total Persons Received | 12,169 |
| 3. | Total Processed | 11,595 |
| 4. | Total Separated (Departed) | 5,904 |
| 5. | Total In Camp | 6,923 |
| | a. Male | 3,321 |
| | b. Female | 2,535 |
| | c. Children | 1,067 |
| 6. | Total Ready to Depart | 5,692 |
| 7. | Total Received Today | 597 |

Item 1 equals Total received to 0001 hours plus Total received during 24 hour period.

| | CIVILIAN AGENCIES OPERATING IN REFUGEE RECEPTION CENTER | | | | | | | |
|----|---|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | AGENCY | LOCATION | TEL NR | CHAIRMAN | | | | |
| | FE | DERAL AGENCIES | | | | | | |
| 1. | THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE FOR REFUGE RELIEF | E Bldg 1306 | 693 to 698 | Mr. Beebe | | | | |
| 2. | IMMIGRATION & NATURALIZATION SERVICE | Bldg 2105A | CHarter 9-4506 or Ext 465 | Mr. Hardin | | | | |
| 3. | UNITED STATES CUSTOM SERVICE | Bldg 2105A | CHarter 9-4506 | Inspector Glen Watts | | | | |
| 4. | UNITED STATES DEPT OF STATE | Bldg 2107A | CHarter 7-4650-51 | Mr. Yearns and Mr. Bebek | | | | |
| 5. | UNITED STATES EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (DEPT OF LABOR) | Bldg 1306 | CHarter 9-9236 Ext 9 & 693 | Mr. Schoenborn | | | | |
| 6. | UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE | Bldg 2105A | CHarter 9-4506 | Dr. Abrahamer | | | | |
| | <u>H</u> | ELIEF AGENCIES | | | | | | |
| 1. | THE AMERICAN RED CROSS | Bldg 2110 | Ext 393, 407,409 | Mr. Bloss | | | | |
| 2. | THE HUNGARIAN NATIONAL COUNCIL | Bldg 2113A | CHarter 9-4508 | Msgre. Bela Varga | | | | |
| 3. | STATE OF N.J GOVERNOR MEYNER'S COMMITTEE ON REFUGEE RELIEF | Bldg 2102B | KIlmer 5-5474 or Ext 367 | Colonel Dunn | | | | |
| | W | ELFARE AGENCIES | | | | | | |
| 1. | THE AMERICAN-HUNGARIAN FEDERATION | Bldg 713 | CHarter 9-8831 - Ext | | | | | |
| 2. | THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC WELFARE CONFERENCE | Bldg 734 | CHarter 7-8802 - Ext | Mr. Ostrowski 313 | | | | |
| 3. | CHURCH WORLD SERVICE | Bldg 736 | KIlmer 5-6874 - Ext 331 | Mr. Savage | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

| 1 | CIVILIAN AGENCIES OPERATING | IN REFUGEE REC | CEPTION CENTER | (Contd) |
|----|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| | AGENCY | LOCATION | TEL NR | CHAIRMAN |
| (| WELFAF | RE AGENCIES (Con | ntd) | |
| 4. | THE INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE | Bldg 709 | KIlmer 5-5795 or Ext 458 | Mrs. Kadmon |
| 5. | THE LUTHERAN REFUGEE SERVICE | Bldg 708 | KIlmer 5-1861 or Ext 446 | Mrs. Cox |
| 6. | THE TOLSTOY FOUNDATION INC. | Bldg 710 | KIlmer 5-1842 or Ext 459 | Mr. Brown |
| 7. | THE UNITED HIAS SERVICE | Bldg 735 | KIlmer 5-7004 or Ext 467 | Mr. Kornblith |
| 8. | THE HUNGARIAN CATHOLIC LEAGUE | (See National | Catholic Welfa | are Conference) |

U. S. ARMY REFUGE RECEPTION CENTER Headquarters Camp Kilmer, N.J.

REFUGEN STATUS EMPORT Period 0001-2400 26 December 56

| | HIAS | NC ¹ , C | Cw S - | LRS | IRC | TF | JF | IND | TOTALS |
|---|------|---------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| Total Received (as of 0001 Hours) | 1174 | 7255 | 2155 | 528 | 552 | 119 | 1 | 104 | 11,888 |
| Total Departed (as of 0001 Hours) | 848 | 3027 | 921 | 259 | 453 | 51 | 1 | 28 | 5,588 |
| Balance at Starting Period (0001 Hours) | 326 | 4228 | 1234 | 269 | 99 | 68 | 0 | 76 | 6,300 |
| Received During Period | 172 | 248 | 126 | 17 | 27 | 4 | 0 - | 3 | 597 |
| Departed During Pariod (as of 2400 Hours) | 53 | 139 | . 65 | 24 | 27 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 316 |
| Balance at End Period (2400 Hours) | 445 | 4337 | 1294 | 262 | 99 | 70 | 0 | 74 | 6581 |
| Number of Above Ready to Depart (2400 Hours) | 269 | 3829 | 1147 | 245 | 72 | 59 | 0 | 71 | 5692 |
| Number of Above in KRC 14 Days | 4 | 196 | 69 | 8 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 302 |
| Number of Above in KRC 21 Days | 0 | 25 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C | 29 |

CODE:

HIAS - Hebrew Lamigration Aid Society

NCWC - National Catholic Welfare Council

CWS - Church World Service

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LRS - Lutheran Refugee Service

IRC - International Rescue Committee

TF - Tolstoy Foundation

JF - Jesuit Fathers

IND - Independent

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U. S. ARMY REFUGEE RECEPTION CENTER HEADQUARTERS, CAMP KILMER, NEW JERSEY

1. Military Strength as of 2400 hours, 26 December 1956.

| UNIT | OFF | EM | NURSES | WAC | TOTAL. |
|---|----------|------------|--------|-----|------------|
| Special Troops Heavy Mortar Co 4th RCT | 96 | 740 198 | | 54 | 890 205 |
| 17th Field Hospital | 20 | 78 | 14 | 2 | 114 |
| 19th Engr Bn (Combat) 86th Engr Bn (Const) | 18 15 | 302 304 | | | 320 319 |
| 41st MG Company | 36 | 98 | | l | 135 |
| 553d Army Postal Unit 594th QM Sub Plt | l | 12 51 | | | 13 52 |
| 100th Trans Co 716th MP Bn | 3 | 163 149 | | | 166 153 |
| 999th Sig Det | 4 | 25 | | | 25 |
| TOTALS: | 201 | 2120 | 14 | 57 | 2392 |

2. Personnel scheduled to arrive:

| 27/29 | December | 1956 | - | 12 | Officers | - | 158 | EM |
|-------|----------|---------|---|----|----------|---|-----|----|
| 5/8 | January | 1957 | | 15 | Officers | | 761 | EM |
| | | TOTALS: | | 27 | Officers | - | 919 | EM |

US ARMY REFUGEE RECEPTION CENTER (PROV) Headquarters Camp Kilmer, N. J.

Dear

Your kind offer of assistance has been received and has been forwarded to the representative of the appropriate civilian committee for consideration. Civilian relocation and charitable organizations are handling such matters rather than the United States Army.

Please accept my personal thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

SIDNEY C. WOOTEN Brig Gen, USA Commanding US ARMY REFUGEE RECEPTION CENTER (PROV) Headquarters Camp Kilmer, N.J.

Dear

Your generous donation has been received and will be used for the benefit of the Hungarian Refugees at this installation.

It is gratifying to know that so many of our fellow citizens feel moved to give so generously to those who have been forced to leave their homelands in search of freedom.

Please accept my personal thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

SIDNEY C. WOOTEN Brig Gen, USA Commanding

CAMP KILMER REFUGEE BENEFIT FUND

Camp Kilmer, New Jersey

On 23 November 1956, the Camp Kilmer Refugee Benefit Fund was established. The purpose of the Fund is to receive, account for and properly disburse such sums of money that may be donated by individuals for the benefit of the refugees being processed. Monies expended from the fund are to be used to supplement and not duplicate the work of the various other private agencies and to provide amenities not provided by the United States Government. The donations received are from private citizens from all over the United States.

To date, amount of donations received total five hundred sixty dollars and seventy two cents (\$560.72).

January 24, 1957

Tracy Voorhees,

Attached is our most recent statistical analysis of 5721 employable refugees -- out of an estimated total of 14,000 employables arriving at Kilmer.

We can provide additional copies if you would like them.

LEO C. BEEBE

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS REFUGEES SEEKING EMPLOYMENT AS OF JANUARY 17, 1957

Mastar Degree

| Average Age - Male | 28 years, 7 months |
|---|--------------------|
| Average Age - Female | 30 years, 3 months |
| Number of Males | 4,260 |
| Number of Females | 1,461 |
| Average Number of Children | 1 |
| Average Number of Members Per Family | 3 |
| Average Years of Education | 9 years, 10 months |
| Average Height of Males | 5 feet, 8 inches |
| Average Height of Females | 5 feet, 4 inches |
| Average Weight of Males | 152 lbs. |
| Average Weight of Females | 129 lbs. |
| Total Number Speaking English | 705 |
| Total Having Relatives in USA | 2,505 |
| Total Employables | 5,721 |

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BY EDUCATION

| Illiterate | 8 |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| Elementary 4 year course | 2106 |
| Technical 4 year course | 1666 |
| Gymnasium 4 year course | 1175 |
| University 4 year course | 607 |
| Professional Eng. Degree | 71 |
| Master Degree | 19 |
| Doctorate Degree | 69 |
| Total | 5721 |
| | |
| Total Wishing to Continue Education | 1253 |
| Job Offers Requiring English | 101 |
| Refugees with Knowledge of English | 704 |
| | |

BY AGE GROUP

| Under 18 years | 362 |
|----------------|-------------------|
| 18 to 20 years | 943 |
| 21 to 24 years | 1158 |
| 25 to 29 years | 1057 |
| 30 to 34 years | 806 |
| 35 to 40 years | 554 |
| 41 to 45 years | 388 |
| 46 to 50 years | 249 |
| 51 to 55 years | 127 |
| Over 55 years | 77 |
| | Fotal 5721 |

BY SEX AND MARITAL STATUS

| Single Male | | 2565 |
|-----------------|-------|------|
| Single Female | | 472 |
| Married Male | | 1544 |
| Married Female | | 837 |
| Divorced Male | | 128 |
| Divorced Female | | 88 |
| Widowed Male | | 23 |
| Widowed Female | | 64 |
| | Total | 5721 |

NUMBER PERCENT

| Students | 278 | 4.8% |
|---|------|-------|
| Professional & Managerial Occupations | 1011 | 17.6% |
| Clerical & Sales Occupations | 616 | 10.8% |
| Service Occupations | 343 | 6.0% |
| Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, and Kindred Occupations | 185 | 3.3% |
| Skilled Occupations | 1751 | 30.6% |
| Semiskilled Occupations | 972 | 17.0% |
| Unskilled Occupations | 565 | 9.9% |

Memo to: General J. Lawton Collins Vice Chairman and Director The President's Committee for Hungarian Refugee Relief

Subject: Progress Report, Kilmer Operation

I believe the attached policy and procedures manual is the best kind of a progress report I could give you at this time. It will serve not only as a record of what has been done at Kilmer, who did it, and how, but also as a guide to anyone who may step into the picture. The manual is voluminous but carefully indexed so that anyone can turn quickly to any subject pertinent to the Kilmer operation.

There are a few things not covered in the manual which I would like to report at this time.

First, you will note that President's Committee expenses at Kilmer, totalling approximately \$34,000, are detailed in the attached summary, which I believe is self-explanatory.

Second, I should like to call to your attention the generous contributions of many individuals, business firms, educational institutions, government agencies, and other organizations, which enabled us to keep our out-of-pocket payroll expense under \$6,000. The attached personnel summary shows that the following organizations contributed full or part-time services: IBM, Ford, Standard Oil (N.J.), Babcock and Wilcox, S. Gumpert Co., Esso Standard, Seagrams, Princeton and Harvard Universities, U. S. Army, CBS-TV, U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, MPO Productions, Inc., U. S. Information Agency, the State of New Jersey, U. S. State Department, Washington International Center, and the World Literacy and Christian Literature Committee. The total value of goods and services contributed by these organizations is incalculable.

Third, and finally, I believe we are all in agreement that the crash phase of the Kilmer operation is over. Personnel, procedures, and facilities have been geared effectively to the reduced flow of refugees. The Army, the agencies, and The President's Committee are organized flexibly so they can expand or constrict their operations in accordance with the need.

Clearly, there is no longer a pressing need at Kilmer for the business representatives of The President's Committee. Several of our men have departed, others are scheduled to leave this week and next. This office is operating on a self-liquidating basis, and we are ready now to turn it over to an appropriate government agency. I recommend this step be taken as soon as possible. In any event, after this week I would like to divide my time between Kilmer and Detroit so that I can carry out an orderly transfer of this office and be out of business at Kilmer no later than March 1. Naturally, I would like to remain a member of The President's Committee as long as my presence may be useful.

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Leo C. Beebe

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES CHARGED TO PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE AT KILMER AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 1957*

| QUARTERMASTER (Expendables) | \$ 3,096.17 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| TRANSPORTATION | 79.00 |
| CIVILIAN PAYROLL | 5,059.47 |
| SIGNAL | 8,428.00 |
| ENGINEERS | 16,944.50 |
| | \$ 33,607.14 |
| | |

*Estimate prepared by Army Comptroller at Kilmer on January 31, 1957.

| ENGI | NEER COST | 14 Nov 5 | 6 to 30 Jan 57 |
|--|--------------------|------------|----------------|
| Services | INEER COST (C | Cont'd) | |
| Activation | \$1,345.00 | | \$1,345.00 |
| (\$893.08 installation cost of hot wa | | | φ1,010.00 |
| heater in Bldg. 1306 included) | \$ 10.00 | | |
| Preventive Maintenance | 570.00 | (Est.) | |
| Garbage Disposal | 210.00 | 11 268,60 | |
| Sewage Disposal | 6.00 | # 27.82 | 50,00 |
| Fuel | 3,270.00 | H 43.00 | |
| Water | 136.00 | | |
| Electric Power | 265.00 | | 250.00 |
| Custodial Services | 201.00 | | |
| | TOTAL701.00 | | \$ 16,944.50 |
| Estimated Total Cost | 5,359.00 | | 5,359.00 |
| Engineer Construction, Building 1305 | | Q1.80 | |
| Painting of Interior of Building | 700.00 | | |
| Labor, Materials in Constr. of Par | | | |
| Soundproofing of Radio Room | 300.00 | | |
| Installation of Oil Burner | 948.00 | | |
| Shades for Building | 100.00 | | |
| Install two drinking fountains | 60.00 | | |
| Install Electrical Outlet | 12.00 | | |
| Three (3) Signs | 10.00 | | |
| Two signs 8"x8" (Identification of of | fices) 4.00 | | |
| One Sign | 2.00 | | |
| Total Cost | 2,796.00 | | 2,796.00 |
| Transi Transi | | + | |
| Building 1306 | | | |
| Stabilization of Driveway/Rear of B | - | | |
| Two Signs 8"x8" | 4.00 | | |
| Installation of 6 GE Indirect, Three | | | |
| Lights, 120 Volt, 300 Watt | 6.00 | | |
| Painting of Interior of Building | 2,100.00 | | |
| Labor, Materials in Constr. of Part | | | |
| Carpentry Repairs of Building | 137.00 | | |
| Installation of Oil Burner IBM Circuits | 948.00 1,170.00 | | |
| Four Bulletin Boards | 1,170.00 | | |
| Five Pieces of 5'x7' Acetate | 20.00 | | |
| Replace Split Door by Solid Door | 75.00 | | |
| Bulletin Board 4'x8' | 15.00 | | |
| Signs Painted on Curbs (13 Signs) | 50.00 | | |
| Three (US) Maps Framed | 18.00 | | |
| Five Signs | 50.00 | | |
| Install Two Locks with Keys | 6.00 | | |
| Constr. of Storm Entrance and Part | | (Est Troop | Labor) |
| Repair Asphaltic Tile Floor | . 1,000.00 | - | Luser |
| Install Three Drinking Fountains | | (Est Troop | Labor) |
| Three Signs 8"x8" Dept. of Health, | , | (p | |
| Education and Welfare | 4.50 | | |
| Total Cost | \$7,144.50 | | \$7,144.50 |
| | | | |

ENGINEER COST (Cont'd) ov 56 to 30 Jan 57

| Buildings 1305-1306 | * | | |
|--|--|-------------|-------------|
| Five Signs 8"x8" | \$ 10.00 | | |
| Install Electrical Outlets and Repair | 40.00 | \$ 3.97 | |
| Lock on Door | 40.00 | 268.60 | 50.00 |
| Ink | 50.00 | | 50.00 |
| uilding 1419 macket | | 43.00 | |
| Interior Painting | 250.00 | 293.40 | 250.00 |
| | 250,00 | | 250.00 |
| GRAND TO | TAT. | 29.00 | \$ 16,944.5 |
| | LINIA | 12.75 | φ 10, /1105 |
| Paper, Kraft Staples, Paper Fastening | | 67.80 | |
| Envelopes, Mailing | | 17.36 | |
| Paper, Bond, Wood Pulp | | 1,855.45 | |
| Paper, Manifold | | 17.85 | |
| Paper, Carbon | in the second se | 120.00 | |
| Paper, Loose Leaf | 1 | 5.76 | |
| Folder, File | | 50.87 | |
| Chalk | an a constant of | . 43 | |
| Compressor | | 1.74 | |
| Tape | | 6.48 | |
| Stencil, Duplicating Machine Pap | | 22.80 | |
| Labels | Sha . | 1.83 | |
| Paper, Clips | | 16.13 | |
| Towel Paper | | 46.00 | |
| Cun Papar | | 26,40 | |
| Convertion Pland | | 1.37 | |
| | | 5.20 | |
| Eraser, Type Typewriter, Ribbon | | 7.36 | |
| Rubber Band | | 1.05 | |
| Thumb Tack | Total / | .37 | |
| Cana | | 2.,25 | |
| Paper, Toilet | | 16.00 | |
| Facial Tissue | | 4.50 | |
| Cardboard | | 31.00 | |
| Pad, Writing | | 37.34 | |
| Twine | | 15.65 | |
| Postage Stamps | | 100.00 | |
| Directory Set | | 9.90 | |
| Plastic Rec. Tape | | 100.00 | |
| Pad, Unrulad | | . 30 | |
| Notebook, Steno | | 18.00 | |
| Paper, Blotting | | 1.68 | |
| | | | |
| | TOTAL | \$ 3,096.17 | |
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Actives Vcfives

EXPENDABLES

| Pencils | | \$ 3.97 |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Staples, Paper | | 268.60 |
| Ink | | 27.82 |
| Calendar Pad | | 43.00 |
| Coat Racks | | 293.40 |
| Cards, Postal | | 100.00 |
| Cards, Index | | 29.00 |
| Adhesive Gum | | 2.16 |
| Paper, Kraft | | 12.75 |
| Staples, Paper Fastening | | 67.80 |
| Envelopes, Mailing | | 17.36 |
| Paper, Bond, Wood Pulp | | 1,855.45 |
| Paper, Manifold | | 17.85 |
| Paper, Carbon | | 120.00 |
| Paper, Loose Leaf | | 5.76 |
| Folder, File | and the second | 50.87 |
| Chalk | | . 43 |
| Compressor | | 1.74 |
| Tape | | 6.48 |
| Stencil, Duplicating Machine Pa | per | 22.80 |
| Labels | | 1.83 |
| Paper, Clips | | 16.13 |
| Towel, Paper | | 46.00 |
| Cup, Paper | | 26.40 |
| Correction Fluid | | 1.37 |
| Eraser, Type | | 5.20 |
| Typewriter, Ribbon | | 7.36 |
| Rubber Band | | 1.05 |
| Thumb Tack | | . 37 |
| Soap | | 2.25 |
| Paper, Toilet | | 16.00 |
| Facial Tissue | | 4.50 |
| Cardboard | | 31.00 |
| Pad, Writing | | 37.34 |
| Twine | | 15.65 |
| Postage Stamps | | 100.00 |
| Directory Set | | 9.90 |
| Plastic Rec. Tape | | 100.00 |
| Pad, Unruled | | .30 |
| Notebook, Steno | | 18.00 |
| Paper, Blotting | | 1.68 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 3,096.17 |

COMMUNICATION

| Trunks & Equipment Rental | \$ 202.00 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Non-recurring Charges on Above | |
| (Installation) | 550.00 |
| Long Distance Toll Calls | 2,170.00 |
| Calls Outside Local Dial Area | 600.00 |
| Trunk Message Charges | 246.00 |
| President's Intercom System | 960.00 |

Total

\$4,728.00 \$4,728.00

PICTORIAL COSTS

| Estimated cost still photo cover include film, paper, chemicals bulbs. Approx. \$.35 per print. | , and | 400.00 | |
|---|---------|-------------|------------|
| Estimated cost of filmstrip ord by The President's Committee Hungarian Refugee Relief by dis negotiation with civilian firm. | for | 3,300.00 | |
| | Total | \$ 3,700.00 | \$3,700.00 |
| | GRAND T | OTAL | \$8,428.00 |

PERSONNEL SUMMARY THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE FOR HUNGARIAN REFUGEE RELIEF KILMER OFFICE

PERSONNEL SUMMARY THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE FOR HUNGARIAN REFUGEE RELIEF KILMER OFFICE

NAME

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FEB 6 1957

FROM:

Tracy S. Voorhees

Supplementing my recent letter enclosing a brochure on the work of the President's Committee for Hungarian Refugee Relief at the Joyce Kilmer Reception Center, I thought you might be interested in the following additional information.

As of midnight, February 5, 1957, the total number of Hungarian refugees who had arrived at the Joyce Kilmer Reception Center were 24, 403. Of these, 22, 275 had departed from Kilmer for resettlement under the sponsorship of various voluntary agencies. The number remaining at the Center was 2, 128.

A sampling of these refugees made as to 5,721 employable refugees -- those 16 years of age and older except housewives and persons physically unable to work -- who arrived at Kilmer between December 25, 1956, and January 17, 1957, inclusive, discloses the following statistics:

| | Number | Average | Age | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|----------|--|
| Males | 4,260 | 28 yrs., 8 | mos. | |
| Females | 1, 461 | 30 yrs., 3 | mos. | |
| Total Number Speaking English | | 705 | | |
| Total Having Relatives | 2,50 | 5 | | |
| Average Family Size | 3 (1 child) | | | |
| Educational Attainmen | | | | |
| Less than 4 years | | 8 | | |
| Elementary 4 year course | | 2,106 | | |
| Technical 4 year course | | 1,666 | | |
| Gymnasium 8 year course | | 1,175 | | |
| University 4 year course | | 607 | | |
| Professional Eng. Degree | | 71 | | |
| Master's Degree | | 19 | | |
| Doctorate Degre | | | 69 | |
| | | | | |
| Average Length | of Education | 9 yrs., 10 | 11105. | |
| Occupational Categories | | Number | Per Cent | |
| Students | | 278 | 4.8 | |
| Professional & Managerial | | 1, 011 | 17.6 | |
| Clerical & Sales | | 616 | 10.8 | |
| Services | | 343 | 6.0 | |
| Agricultural, Fi | | 18 5 | | |
| | Forestry, etc. | | 3.3 | |
| Skilled | d | | 3 0.6 | |

| Semi-skilled | 972 | 17.0 |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| Unskilled | 565 | 9.9 |
| | 5, 721 | -100.0 |

Also, there is enclosed a more detailed statement prepared by the Immigration and Naturalization Service covering the 21, 778 refugees for whom statistics had been compiled as of January 29, 1957.

Tracy S. Voorbees

MEMORANDUM TO:

The Commanding General Government, Voluntary, and Cooperating Agency Heads President's Committee Staff

SUBJECT

Information regarding the closing out of Kilmer as a Refugee Center

Following is a summary of information obtained this date from the Washington Office of the President's Committee for Hungarian Refugee Relief, together with a brief statement of certain agreements arrived at today in our meeting of key personnel at Kilmer.

Refugees will continue to arrive at Kilmer, at the rate of approximately 150 per week, through April 30, 1957. It is understood that those refugees arriving in the United States after April 30, who have not already been processed overseas, will be taken to the St. George Hotel in Brooklyn for processing and resettlement.

Agencies whose services continue to be required--such as the Red Cross--will be given space at the hotel. Requests for these accomodations should be directed to the Immigration Service.

Refugees remaining at Kilmer after April 30 will be resettled from here by the date of May 15, 1957, by which time the refugee operation at Kilmer will have been discontinued.

The President's Committee will close its Kilmer office on April 30. The IBM file of employment offers will be turned over to the Department of Labor at Washington. Other central file material will be screened and forwarded to Washington for transfer to the National Archives. The Educational program for refugees at Kilmer will also be discontinued by April 30, and educational materials, such as dictionaries, will be turned over to the Voluntary Agencies with our recommendations for continued educational services.

Both IBM and USES will discontinue their operations at Kilmer as of April 30, and they are not expected to transfer to the St. George Hotel. USES will continue to render employment assistance through state and local offices throughout the country.

Colonel Jack B. Dunn, who has served as Coordinator for Governors' Committees for the President's Committee, will as President of the recently formed National Council of Governors' Committees on Refugee Relief, continue to coordinate the work of state and local committees with that of the Government, Voluntary and Cooperating Agencies participating in the refugee program. I shall be in daily contact with Kilmer by telephone and I plan to spend some time here before the operation closes on May 15. In my absence please do not hesitate to call on Jack Dunn, or phone me directly at my office in Dearborn.

LEO C. BEEBE