

**YOUR ATTENTION**

FROM Saul Hayes

June 24th, 1947.

No. 178 CONFIDENTIAL1. Cable of Mr. B. Sheps

We were informed by the JDC of New York of the following cable they received from Paris from B. Sheps, U.J.R.A. Chairman for Western Canada: "On my trip to decimated Jewish communities of Europe paid visit to Italy where AJDC is extending permanent assistance to over 20,000 Jewish refugees survivors and to community of over 30,000 Italian Jews. Have seized this opportunity discuss thoroughly situation with leaders of AJDC in Italy, Organization of Jewish Refugees and Italian Jewish community. Have visited children's homes, Sanatoria hospitals, kindergartens schools for both refugee and Italian Jewish population as well as Hachsharot in vicinity Rome and admired the fine work of rehabilitation performed of behalf of Jewish survivors by AJDC "

2. Film Catalogue for UNESCO Meeting

At the request of the Canadian Education Association we are supplying quantities of the catalogue "Visual Aids on Intercultural Relations" (which we published in co-operation with the Citizenship Branch and the National Film Board) for distribution at a "seminar for education for international understanding", which will be held in Paris, France, under the auspices of UNESCO.

3. Intercultural Education

In reply to our recent submission, the curriculum division of the Department of Education in British Columbia advised us that they have placed our material in the hands of the Social Studies Revision Committee with the instruction that it be included in the course.

4. Pidyon Nefesh Luncheon

A luncheon meeting of the Pidyon Nefesh Committee was held to arrange final details for tonight's meeting of workers.

5. Distribution of JDC Annual Report

We are arranging for the distribution by the Combined Jewish Appeal of the annual report of the JDC to leading members of the Jewish Community of Montreal.

6. Approval of Abraham Ram by OZC for Service in France

Mr. Abr. Ram who has had many years of experience teaching and youth work has been approved by the OZC for service in France. He is awaiting instructions to proceed for supplementary indoctrination and orientation before going overseas.

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7. Shipment of Kosher Meat to Austria

We have received from Mr. Harold Trobe, the Director of the A.J.D.C. Austrian Operations of Vienna, the following letter: "This is to acknowledge your letter and bill of lading of 28th May 1947 concerning your most magnificent shipment of 30,000 lbs. of tinned Kosher Luncheon Meat. We are particularly grateful for this gift from Canadian Jewry because it provides an item which unfortunately is often in very short supply, and therefore caters for a group, which you appropriately appreciate, deserve as much of our attention as we can afford to give."

8. Shipment of Shoes to Germany

We have received a letter from the JDC Headquarters for Europe - Paris advising us that the office of the JDC in Frankfurt received 5927 pairs of new shoes shipped to them on the S.S. "Marchdale" for distribution throughout Germany. They express their thanks and appreciation for this shipment.

. Pidyon Nefesh

1947 plans for the Pidyon Nefesh are being developed by a sub-committee of the Central People's Relief Committee. This year there will not be a house to house canvass. Instead the committee will concentrate upon collections in the summer resorts. A special sub-committee headed by Mr. S.D. Gross, I.I. Cohen and J. Yass are organizing teams of speakers to go to each hotel to speak and to arrange for the canvass. Letters will be sent out to all organizations in the community appealing for funds and special literature is being prepared. The monies collected will be turned over to the UJR with the request that it be earmarked for the summer project for children of the JDC in Europe. The campaign theme will be to provide Jewish children with summer vacations which they badly need in view of their sufferings, etc.