

5 July 1946

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Regensburg.

FROM: Director, UNRRA Team 55, Deggendorf

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W. V. BUCKHANTZ
Director
UNRRA Team 55

Enc:

cc. Field Supervisor

file 5

9 July 1946

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

TEAM 55

APO. 757 U. S. ARMY

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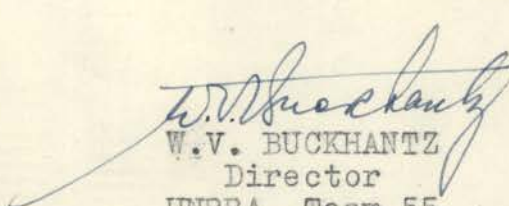
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C O P Y

UNRRA TEAM 55
Deggendorf

2 July 1946

TO: Team Members
FROM: The Director
SUBJECT: Duty Officer

Beginning Thursday, July 4, Duty Officers will be assigned for every day, one officer on week days and two on week ends and holidays.

Assignments will be made on a daily basis, with every member of the team taking part. Duty hours will be from 0900 hours to 0900 hours the following morning.

During the period, the Duty Officer must be present either at the office or at the billets. Information as to where the Duty Officer may be reached must be available at all times at the office and at each installation under the administration of the team. When he leaves the office, such as during mealtime or after working hours, a sign must be left at the office with the exact address and telephone number of the billets. During the night, the Duty Officer may be in his room.

Should any emergency arise during the night, it will be the responsibility of the Duty Officer to instigate whatever action may be necessary.

W.V. BUCKHANTZ
Director
UNRRA Team 55

8 July 1946

TO : District Director.
FROM : E. Horsnail, District Welfare Officer,
Regensburg.
SUBJECT : Visit to Team 55 Deggendorf. ✓

I visited Deggendorf on June 28th and stayed for several days, as this installation needed a careful study. Miss Gardner, Principal Welfare Officer came to this team 5 weeks ago. Since February there had not been a Principal Welfare Officer, the Jewish Committee had carried on the Welfare work with a Danish Assistant Welfare Officer. A complete reorganization seemed necessary.

This installation consists of several centres.

1. The largest, a Jewish group of 1200 in the former SS Kaserne. Polish Jews in the majority. ~~This~~ centre has been almost entirely managed by the Jewish Committee consisting of five people.
2. Mietrachin, a Kibutz consists of 300 Polish, Hungarian and Rumanian Jews, a newly established group of infiltrates.
3. Farm Natternberg, a Kibutz with 60 Jews.
4. Farm Mainhofen, consisting of three Kibutzes, 181 Jews, of these 61 are unaccompanied children, who will be given a separate house. At present they are living in the two houses of the estate and the third house will be soon taken over for the children.
5. Camp Natternberg: for Polish-Ukrainian, Russian-Ukrainian and stateless people (with Nonsen pass), Balts and 6 Poles who arrived in this camp three weeks ago from Amberg and Cham in all 850 people.
6. Winzer Camp, 17 km out of Deggendorf, will be opened up soon for Ukrainians, at present only 21 ex Polish guards are living there.

Miss Gardner and I went through the whole set up of this large installation. We discovered that the registration was extremely faulty. No DP-3 cards and uncomplete DP-2 cards.

In the Kaserne the central Officers are housed, which is very unsatisfactory as it is in the centre of a strong political Jewish community, and DPs from the non-Jewish Camp Natternberg are given little or no attention when coming to the office.

The plan is to move the central office to the town.

This Jewish Committee of five people has a great many Welfare activities in the Kaserne DP 7, as:

- Post Office
- Emigration Office
- Bank
- Recreation, Sports
- Cantine (use Camp-Dollars)
- Coffeehouse
- Kinderheim
- Altersheim
- Hospital
- Elementary and Secondary-Schools
- Kindergarten.
- Several Kitchens, children, Kosher and general.
- Trade-Shops
- Clothing.

All these different services need a checking-up. In the other camps Welfare is still to be put on an organized basis.

After having visited the different groups, Miss Gardner worked out a definite Welfare plan.

I advised Miss Gardner to have regular conferences with members of the team whose work is closely connected with welfare. This is rather essential as these team-members seem very much to work on their own, and there is very little co-operation between the different departments. It also seems essential that the Principal Welfare Officer will have a meeting every morning with her Assistant Welfare Officer to plan the work and give her some training into the work.

From each installation a competent Welfare Officer ought to be chosen, who will have her, or his Committee to work with. These D.P. Welfare Officers ought to confer each, weekly, with the Principal Welfare Officer to discuss the plans and problems in her field, and once a week all 6 DP Welfare Officers ought to meet with the Welfare Staff to co-ordinate the Welfare program as much as possible. We went further into a great deal of details about time to be set aside by Principal Welfare Officer for conferences with people with special problems; also for regular visits to the camps. The same as to the work of Miss Valentiner, Assistant Welfare Officer. The Director approved this plan.

Personnel.

Miss Gardner is an experienced and active Principal Welfare Officer, a strong personality who is able to hold her own with the Jewish Committee. She has had two meetings with this Committee who resented at first interference and criticism.

So much was done in this Kaserne on an emergency basis, especially the clothing distribution and though the Welfare program looked very impressive on paper, it was not always worked out and it lacked supervision.

The people on the whole are very unwilling to work and Miss Gardner felt very discouraged at first.

Miss Gerda Valentiner (Danish) is an unexperienced Welfare Officer, who has had a very difficult two months time at Deggen-dorf without the direction of a Principal Welfare Officer and who was dominated by the Jewish Committee. She is emotional, nervy but very keen to work for the Jews. I hope that under the guidance of Miss Gardner and with definite work assigned to her, she will be able to manage.

Personally I feel that a more experienced and stronger Assistant Welfare Officer would be necessary in this large centre, with another installation, Winzer, opening up soon.

Mr. Harris, Messing Officer in this team has been directing Camp Natternberg, making this former P.W. cage livable for these 850 people, converting barracks into schools, church, theatre, kitchen and recreation rooms.

A very capable D.P. Welfare Officer there is taking on the Welfare activities.

Mr. Harris is now getting Camp Winter in order to receive the Ukrainians arriving on July 20th.

E. Horsnail

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District Welfare Officer.

Copy to
Field Supervisor
Zone Relief Services
District Relief Services.

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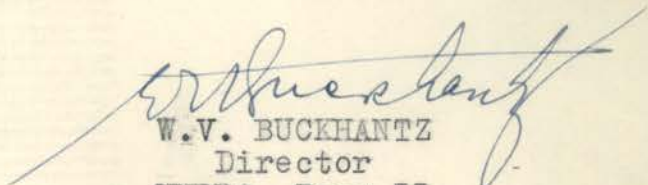
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Mrs. Johnson
(Mr. Cockrell)

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3rd July, 1946.

TO: Mr. W. Buckhantz,
Director,
UNRRA Team 55,
DEGGENDORF.

FROM: Mr. A. C. Dunn,
District Director,
UNRRA District No. 3 Headquarters,
REGENSBURG.

SUBJECT: Duty Officers.

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A. C. Dunn
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DISTRICT DIRECTOR.

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Personnel.

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS

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Line to UNRRA. Dist. H.Q.

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DISTRICT SUPPLY OFFICE
REGENSBURG.

June 26th, 1946.

TO : John L. Earle,
District Supply Officer

FROM : H.M. Baker,
District Warehouse Officer.

SUBJECT : Weekly Report from Field.

1. Inspection of the accountability, distribution, Clothing issue, Warehouse system and canteen issue of supplies was made to-day at Team 55 Deggenhof. Also the general supply situation of this Team, and the following operations and recommendations were made:

1) The accountability system prior to Mr. Advokat's arrival was in no way adequate. Since Mr. Advokat's arrival a stock record system has been installed and is a system that can be held for the accountability of food supplies with the additioned use of a complete tally-out and -in system. This system will complete the necessary measures in distribution from the Central Warehouse to the individual camps of which there are 6 under the administration.

2) The past months inventory report was discussed with Mr. Advokat and certain items were not listed. The procedure of inventory was reviewed and Mr. Advokat was advised that all stocks must be listed monthly, no exception was to be made in reporting supplies.

3) The food distribution system was discussed very lengthy and certain pertinent recommendations were made as :

A) That no foods that were included in the 2350 Caloric diet of each Displaced Person would be sold in the canteen with " Camps script".

B) There would be no further requisitioning of foods in excess of the amount stipulated in the Letter AG - 430 - GHEU - 10, Food of United Nations Displaced Persons in approved Camps and Centers?

C) That those incommensurate items found in Red Cross packages that were not a part of the 2300 Caloric diet and not recommended for use in the special feeding programs, prescribed by UNRRA doctor or nurse and not requested by Welfare Officer in schools could be used in canteens.


D) It was further discussed with the Welfare Officer and Supply Officer the responsibility to whom the camp canteen belonged and a thorough agreement

was arrived at , that henceforth it would become the responsibility of the Welfare Officer. That the Supply Officer would be accountable for canteen supplies only in the Central Warehouse. A new system of canteen supply issue was discussed thoroughly that could be used to replace the script system that is being used in one of the six camps at present.

4) The Warehousing system was reviewed and discussed from the Central magazine stand point and Mr. Advokat has a very good plan outlined to start in the new Central Warehouse. Foods and Clothing will be sent to each of the 6 camps in the normal manner. A system of control of stocks from the camp magazine was discussed. The Central Warehouse is a fireproof building and a very adequate storage place. That a stock record card will be made to cover the accountability of every item found within the warehouse.

5) The clothing distribution system was also thoroughly discussed with the Welfare Officer and Supply Officer, as to the accountability part, distribution in accord with previous by which clothing is requisitioned on an ~~basis~~ of minimum allowance, as to need and when required. A new distribution system was discussed and seemed to be greatly appreciated by all concerned for its practicalness and would be the full responsibility of the Welfare Officer and not the Supply Officer. The accountability is the only responsibility the Supply Officer is to take in clothing distribution. A new system will be installed in a very short time, controlled by Welfare not Displaced Persons Committees.

6) The general supply situation of clothing and foods is not to bad. In accordance with Supply Directive No. 1 "Stationary and Engineer" items seem to be the short coming of all.


Norman M. Baker,
District Warehouse Officer

Distribution:

District Supply Officer	1
Field Supervisor	1
Area Supply Officer	1
Director Team 55	1
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Miss Payne

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T55*

21st June 1946.

SUBJECT: Unaccompanied Jewish Children - Team 55, Deggendorf.

TO : Mr. A.C. Dunn, District Director, UNRRA District
Office #3, Regensburg.

1. Thank you for your letter of the 17th June, enclosing report of Director of UNRRA Team #55.
2. We agree that this matter warrants investigation, and have asked District Office #5 to do so and report.

For the Zone Director:

C. J. TAYLOR
Deputy Zone Director.

== Mil: 2251
== Civ: 4002

17th June, 1946.

TO: Mr. C. J. Taylor,
Acting Deputy Zone Director,
UNRRA US Zone H.Q.,
PASING, Munich.

FROM: A. C. Dunn,
District Director,
District H.Q. 3.

SUBJECT: Unaccompanied Jewish Children, Team 55 Deggendorf.

1. We attach for your attention copy of report made by the Director of UNRRA Team 55 Deggendorf, on the movement of 52 Jewish children, ranging in age from 12 to 17 years.
2. For the time being, until we secure a nominal roll of these children, we are leaving them at the Mainkofen Farm, under the supervision of their leaders and Mr. Altmann, JAFF representative, who resides at this Farm. The Principal Welfare Officer of Team 55 also has been asked to give them close supervision and necessary help. Possibly we can move this group to our Jewish Children's Centre at Struth, but several points need to be clarified first.
3. We have not inquired of the Leipheim Centre about this movement, but believe it should be investigated by Zone Headquarters. The situation at Dachau and Eisalaureid also might warrant inquiry.

NOTE: Deggendorf Transport Office mentioned on page 3 refers to the local Fahrbereitschaft.


A. C. DUNN
District Director

UNRRA DISTRICT H. Q. BAMBERG
MEMORANDUM FORM

Phone
XV Corps 125
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FROM:

Eileen Lardson

DATE:

June 16. 46

TO:

Mrs. Johnson

SUBJECT:

Kribitz Group. Chr.

NECESSARY ACTION
INFORMATION. — AND FILE
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Team 55

REMARKS

Thank you for the copy of
your memo to

Miss Gardner:

I doubt if Struth would be the
solution, unless they were able to
iron. That seems to be what they are

RETURN TO:

See King

DATE:

UNRRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG

MEMORANDUM FORM

Phone

Regensburg 2228

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FROM: Dunn

DATE: 17-6

TO: DM Johnson

SUBJECT: |

NECESSARY ACTION
INFORMATION. - AND FILE
INITIAL AND PASS
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REMARKS

*I think this should be reported to Zone -
However on RAR 2/3 it would appear
that a private deal was agreed to by
Deggendorf furnished the transport - so I
do not see how they got there "unannounced"
as was reported.*

RETURN TO: |

DATE:

UNRRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG

MEMORANDUM FORM

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FROM: Kreene

DATE: 17, June

TO: Duggan

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SUBJECT: |

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REMARKS

Don't you think this should
be reported to Zone so
an effort can be made
to keep things like this from
occurring

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UNRRA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS NO. 3

REGENSBURG

14th June, 1946.

TO: Miss E. L. Gardner,
Princ. Welfare Officer,
Team 55, DEGGENDORF.

FROM: Dorothy M. Johnson,
Field Supervisor.

SUBJECT: Report of 12th June on Unaccompanied Children

As discussed with Team Director Mr. Buckhantz in our Office, we feel that this group of 52 children should be left, for the time being, at the Meinkofen Farm. We hope you and Mr. Altmann can give them close supervision and whatever help is necessary.

As mentioned to you by Miss Davidson, we would like to have a nominal roll listing the name, age, and nationality of each member of this group, and the name of their Kibutz.

There is no need to alarm them by discussing another move at the moment, but if possible to move them to our Jewish Children's Centre at Struth this might be a preferable arrangement for them, and also facilitate their eventual movement to Palestine.

The two Youth Movements at Struth are DROR and HASHOMIR. Because of the difficulties we have encountered there in co-ordinating these two groups it would be extremely difficult to inject another. Mr. Buckhantz seemed to be under the impression that this is a DROR group, and if so the move to Struth might be possible.

Please send to us at your earliest convenience this nominal roll in three copies.

Dorothy M. Johnson
DOROTHY M. JOHNSON

Distribution:
Mr. Dunn ✓
Miss Davidson.

UNRRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG
MEMORANDUM FORM

Phone

Regensburg 2228

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FROM:

A Johnson

DATE:

13 June

TO:

A. Dunn

SUBJECT:

NECESSARY ACTION
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REMARKS

Miss Davidson + I have copies.
For the time being, I think the
children could be left there.
M.G. has promised another
house on the farm; a JAPP
repres. is present + Miss Gartner
will keep in close touch with
them

RETURN TO:

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DATE:

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them to Strieth but not
without additional information

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
UNITED STATES ZONE HEADQUARTERS
PASING - MUNICH
APO 757

21st June 1946.

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Call Regensburg *file T55*
UNRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG
MEMORANDUM FORM

Phone
Regensburg 2228
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FROM:

W. Johnson
J. Flannery

DATE:

20 June

SUBJECT:

T 55 Degendorf

NECESSARY ACTION
INFORMATION. — AND FILE
INITIAL AND PASS
RETURN

REMARKS

*Report today from T55 that 2 U.S. soldiers
arrived to "survey" the Camp were being
billeted by the team. I asked for more
info — (1) on whose orders (2) for what
purpose, etc. (3) from what unit. Do you
know anything about it?*

*This was an Engineer Surveying Team
to look over Hattenburg for approval of
an engineer requisition.*

RETURN TO:

for DATE:

UNRRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG

MEMORANDUM FORM

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Phone

Regensburg 2228

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FROM: D M Johnson

DATE: 17 June

TO: Mr. W. V. Buckhantz

Director, Team 55, Degendorf

SUBJECT: German Employees, as of 31 May 1946

NECESSARY ACTION
INFORMATION. — AND FILE
INITIAL AND PASS
RETURN

REMARKS

According to your report on German employees, there are 7 working in your centers, of which 12 are dish washers. I realize the necessity sometimes of employing skilled German workers, but it hardly seems necessary to employ dish washers. Will you work on the problem of allocating these chores to members of your center, who quite reasonably can be expected to take turns at this work as a part of camp maintenance.

The item of 20 cleaning women in addition to those in the hospital and Old People's ward seems very high, and should also be closely reviewed.

We expect to see a decrease in these numbers as months go by, and it will require effort on your part to change this.

RETURN TO:

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DATE:

How many Jews from your center are on the Burgomeister's payroll?

File
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UNRRA District 3 Headquarters,
10 Martin Luther Strasse,
R e g e n s b u r g.

7th June 1946.

To : Mr. A.C. Dunn,
Director, District No.3,
Regensburg.

From : Marion C. Pennington,
District Nurse Consultant.

Subject : Report on Team 55 - Deggendorf.

Mittraching - Jewish Camp.

Building - formerly Messerschmidt factory. Floors in poor repair.

Dispensary and 2-room Infirmary.

1 Jewish DP Nurse who arrived with group.

Dispensary open 2 - 3 p.m.

DP MD in charge from Deggendorf Jewish Camp. All sick persons except minor cases are referred to Deggendorf Camp Hospital.

At time of visit the camp was supposedly in quarantine for scarlet fever, but there apparently was little control for there was much coming and going between Mettraching and Deggendorf. It was suggested that quarantine be enforced with show of force on part of camp police, if necessary.

This group has just recently arrived. Among them were found cases of scabies, which are being treated in the Infirmary.

Water facilities.

The actual plumbing facilities are good, but lack of water pressure is a real problem. This same difficulty is a major problem to all camps in Deggendorf area.

Flush toilets and good washing facilities, but neither function in the afternoon, because there is no water pressure. Laundry is done in the brook which runs by building.

Central kitchen and mess. - Clean, but many flies.

Living quarters - clean and well kept, overcrowding in some rooms, but eventually it is planned to have family groups live in Deggendorf Camp and adults living at Mittraching.

Winzer Camp.

Buildings - former labor camp buildings in fair condition at present occupied by 24 Polish guards. This camp is situated on a hill-side and comprises 3 terraces.

2 kitchens and mess halls are good.

Latrines are adequate, but require cleaning and disinfecting.

Wash-rooms drainage arrangements should be checked and repaired. There was evidence of poor drainage in pools of stagnant water at the foot of the hill near the latrines. This was not seepage from latrines.

Dispensary - The building which has been used previously is on the highest terrace, has no water available. All serious cases will be hospitalized in Degendorf Camp Hospital..

Nattenburg. (unoccupied at time of inspection)

Buildings.- formerly a civilian internment camp in poor state of repair - floors poor, glass and whole windows gone.

Dispensary - 2 buildings in fair condition set aside. There is no water in the building, but water is available a short distance from the door.

Water - exceedingly poor drainage here. Water is scarce here too, practically no pressure.

Wash-rooms and showers inadequate for this camp when fully occupied. There are outside water taps and troughs scattered thru'out the camp.

Latrines - 72 in one building, pits require cleaning. A partition will be put up in this building since this is the only latrine in camp.

Central mess.- First impression excellent, but upon investigation the impression changes on acct. of the following

1. No latrine or separate washing facilities for kitchen staff
2. All drainage is thru' slatted wooden covered pits in the floor, this is going to be a menace, the floors will never be dry and are very apt to be greasy.
3. There is no washing apparatus for dishes or pots or pans in evidence.

Deggendorf Jewish Camp.

1. Hospital and Kinderheim good.
2. Latrines still dirty, have yet to see them clean, altho' there is some improvement over last visit. Much of "debris" on floor of latrines is scraps of unused food both cooked and uncooked. Since there is no central mess it is conceivable that there will be scraps of food waste, but its disposal leaves much to be desired. There seems to be complete indifference to this situation among the camp inmates and the team has not been able to remedy the situation.

Approved by:

A.R. Manitoff

A.R. Manitoff, Major USPHS
District Medical Officer.

Marion C. Pennington
Marion C. Pennington,
District Nurse Consultant.

Cc: Field Supervisor ✓
Chief Nurse U.S. Zone Hq.
District Medical Officer
File.

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UNRRA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS NO. 3

REGENSBURG.

DMJ/MM

6th June, 1946.

TO: Mr. Price,
Personnel Officer.

FROM: Dorothy M. Johnson,
Field Supervisor.

SUBJECT: Attached Leave Orders for Mr. Wm. V. Buckhantz,
Director Team 55 DEGGENDORF

Because of the pressure of work, Mr. Buckhantz has found it necessary to postpone his leave to France from June 1st to June 15th.

Will you please have the attached orders changed, and send them to Mr. Buckhantz before the 15th?

D. M. J.

File 35.

UNRRA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS NO. 3.

REGENSBURG

Tel. Mil: 2251
Civ: 4002

17th June, 1946.

TO: Mr. Palme,
Dep. Dir. Team 55,
DEGGENDORF.

FROM: Dorothy M. Johnson,
Field Supervisor.

The attached note was received in this office from Mr. Harris of the Nattenberg Camp.

We have no such persons directly under the care of District 3 Headquarters in Regensburg, but perhaps they are under the care of UNRRA Team 120 - Regensburg.

All movements of people within the District must be cleared through our Operations Officer, Major Flannery, but in a case like this involving only six individuals, such a decision can be reached by agreement between the Directors concerned. Therefore, if your Nattenberg Camp Leader knows where these people reside, you can contact the Director, requesting their movement to Nattenberg, if it meets with your approval. The details of transportation will have to be worked out between the Teams.

If these six persons are already established in a Camp in Regensburg, there appears to be very little reason to move them to Nattenberg, but we leave this decision to you.

DOROTHY M. JOHNSON

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Necessary because Team is hauling greater part of its own supplies - geographical location terrain.

* Civilian and Fordsons which are to be turned in because of difficulty in maintaining.

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UNRA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS NO. 3

REGENSBURG

14th June, 1946.

TO: Miss E. L. Gardner,
Princ. Welfare Officer,
Team 55, DEGGENDORF.

FROM: Dorothy M. Johnson,
Field Supervisor.

SUBJECT: Report of 12th June on Unaccompanied Children

As discussed with Team Director Mr. Buckhantz in our Office, we feel that this group of 52 children should be left, for the time being, at the Mainkofen Farm. We hope you and Mr. Altmann can give them close supervision and whatever help is necessary.

As mentioned to you by Miss Davidson, we would like to have a nominal roll listing the name, age, and nationality of each member of this group, and the name of their Kibutz.

There is no need to alarm them by discussing another move at the moment, but if possible to move them to our Jewish Children's Centre at Struth this might be a preferable arrangement for them, and also facilitate their eventual movement to Palestine.

The two Youth Movements at Struth are DROR and HASHOMIR. Because of the difficulties we have encountered there in co-ordinating these two groups it would be extremely difficult to inject another. Mr. Buckhantz seemed to be under the impression that this is a DROR group, and if so the move to Struth might be possible.

Please send to us at your earliest convenience this nominal roll in three copies.

Dorothy M. Johnson
DOROTHY M. JOHNSON

Distribution:
Mr. Dunn
Miss Davidson. *Jcl*

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UNRRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG

MEMORANDUM FORM

Phone

Regensburg 2228

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FROM:

A Johnson

DATE:

13 June

TO:

Miss Davidson

SUBJECT:

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REMARKS

- ① Attached report - I do not feel we can move these children to Struth without additional information. M.G. has promised a house on the farm & they are under supervision of a J & P repres. & Miss Gartner.
- ② A Vehicle for Miss Babinsky will go to Deggendorf Mon. I gave Miss Stamerly message & about the gas, etc. If you want her to report to you, will you notify the team, please.

RETURN TO:

DATE:

UNRRA Team 55.
APO. 757. U.S. Army

Deggendorf, 12 June 1946.

TO: District Director, District 3 Hdq.
FROM: Director, UNRRA Team 55. Deggendorf.
SUBJECT: Unaccompanied Jewish Children.

As it was reported to Miss Davidson in the absence of the Field Supervisor this week-end, we have received here in our Mainkofen-Kibbutz 52 children, both boys and girls, ranging in age from 12 years up to 17 years. These children and their Leaders, a woman and a man, arrived here without any previous knowledge. The following information was obtained in an interview of the woman leader, who is known as the Kibbutz-Mother, by the Director and in the presence of the Camp Leader, the UNRRA-Doctor and the Welfare Officer.

The children entered the Leipheim-Center early in January, after have been in Budapest, Vienna and Salzburg. They have received medical care at the Rotschild Hospital in Vienna and had been moved from Salzburg, and later to Linzing by UNRRA.

At Leipheim they received very little food. During the first month the diet consisted of pea soup and some tinned meat. There were no potatoes, no bread. After the first month there was a very small bread issue. There was no chocolate or amenity supplies of any kind, except cocoa for school children. The leader states, that many of the children became quite weak and ill. She applied to a person, named Gensbury, who apparently was an UNRRA employee, doing messing work and then she received chocolate allowance for 18 children which she divided among 96. She later received 18 Red Cross Parcels, which she also used for the entire group. The issuance of these Parcels was an error, as the the issuing person wished them returned.

The children's leader was apparently in contact with the nearest Jewish Committee at Dachau and was receiving money from a Zionist Organization, headquartered in Munich. She applied to the Committee and was given the opportunity of taking the children to a farm, where they could work and perhaps receive more and better food. The farm was German-operated and the children would receive regular German Rations, plus the Concentration Camp Ration available at that time.

These children were infiltrated from among their entry, Mr. White sent Mr. Becker & Red Hartman to Salzburg to arrange a border control to prevent infiltration.

The leader claims that in April she reported to an UNRRA Officer, Miss Pullet, that she wishes to leave the Center and asked for two days food-rations. There was no question raised, she states, as to her leaving and as to the future care of the children. She received the DP.2-Cards from this Officer and went to the farm, which was at Gotrotschweiger.

Within about three weeks they were moved from that farm to a smaller farm at Eisalzreid. On this farm they were well billeted, but were unable to obtain anything but ordinary German rations. Though, the assistance of UNRRA., which has been promised by the Committee, was never received.

Early this month an incident occurred, which had apparently quite a demoralizing effect on the group. Returning to the barns from the fields late in the afternoon, they found that an attempt to poison the stock with chloride of lime had been made in their absence. Swastikas were chalked over barns and fences in addition to several unpleasant and anti-jewish remarks. The leader claims, that she sent her eldest son, age 16, into town, to request assistance and protection from the M.P. Officer. He claims, that this was refused. Later, upon the boy's insistence, and after the boy's strong statements as to their failure, to protect Jews from Nazis, the Officer said that they would come later. The older boys stood guard in the night in shifts. At 1 a.m. the M.P. Officer arrived. Seeing the guard on duty had something white and powdered on his coat, he questioned him and was told it is powdered milk. It is claimed that the M.P. struck the boy. When he asked for the reason for being beaten, the M.P. took the boy involved in the discussion to the jail, where they were kept during the night. They were given no food and were allowed only black coffee. The leader was refused to entry or to bring them food on her first request in the morning. Later, however they allowed her to bring in some food before the questioning, which was at 10 or 11 in the morning. After an analysis was made of the powder, it was found that the material was on the coat was powdered milk. The boys were then released and sent home by foot for 12 kilometers, arriving there about 2 p.m. At three o'clock the M.P. Officer came, to take additional informations. The Jewish Committee members, who were present at the time asked, why the informations are needed. They were informed, that an investigation is being made.

Since the leader was worried for the safety of the children, and since they were getting very little to eat, arrangements were made by the man-leader of the group, who had close contact with our Kibbutz and who knew many of its members, to bring the group here. Transportation

was arranged through the Deggendorf Transport Office by the leader and the children were brought in during the night.

The leader reports that eight children of the group are still in the Hospital at Dancow, and five others are on their way, privately. The DP. 2 Cards submitted are not stamped, neither do they have any Team identification on them. Neither are there cards present for every person.

Though, there is certainly the possibility that this story has grown or has been exaggerated in the telling and through fear and nervousness, it is also evident, that a group of children have been shunted from one place to another with very little supervision or care of the right kind and that they have suffered continually of wartime indignities and shortages.

Since we would not like to see the children being moved around so frequently, it is suggested that the children be left with us. We would be able to give proper care to the unaccompanied children, by setting up for them a special house on one of our farms,- if not otherwise suggested by your directive.

W.V. Buckhantz
Director
UNRRA Team 55,

Copies to: Mrs. Johnson, Field Supervisor
Miss Davidson, Child Welfare Supervisor

UNRRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG
MEMORANDUM FORM

Phone

Regensburg 2228

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FROM:

Eileen Davidson

DATE:

June 16. '46

TO:

Mrs Johnson
Field Supervisor ✓

SUBJECT:

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REMARKS

Attached is report from Jewish Agency for
Palestine (Miss Lowenthal) who
submitted it at my request.

4 rooms for 66 people!

As soon as Miss Gardner sends me the nominal
I can check the registration with T. 165. Gunzburg.

RETURN TO:

DATE:

June 16 1946 File
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Miss. Lawen ~~Kall~~

R e p o r t

on

Kibutz: Mainkofen

Children - group in mainkofen.

Motiv: Noar Zioni -----

On Thursday June 6th 1946, a group of about 60 children together with their leaders came to the Mainkofen farm. They were formerly on the farm R o t h s c h w e i g e near Dachau, but the conditions there were so bad that they left and came to the new place without any announcement.

The members of the mainkofen farm accepted the children; they gave them several of their own rooms and are living now in overcrowded rooms.

The children brought with them only their blankets and their clothes, nothing else.

Conditions:

68 children and 4 leaders are living in 4 rooms. In one room are beds for 13 boys, in the second for 12 girls, in the third for 11 boys and in the fourth for 6 boys. One of the leaders (a woman - mother of two children) is sleeping in the magazine-room.

The rooms are clean, in each room one table, instead of a table-cloth a blanket on the table - decorated with flowers. In the beds are only blankets, no mattresses, no pillows, no sheets. In several beds are sleeping two children.

For the bed-rooms they need sheets, pillows, mattresses and cupboards.

The sanitary conditions are good, but the bath-room is very dirty. Directions were given to take care for better cleaning and for better arrangements for use of the Bath-room (Several hours daily for each group -, besides this children-group, two other groups are living in Mainkofen).

The kitchen is in an small room, but quite in order and very clean. Behind the kitchen is the food-magazine.

The kitchen ~~looks~~ food for nearly 100 persons, the children-group and a group of adults. The products are given in the meantime by the UNRRA ~~3~~ Team, Deggendorf, without Red-Cross parcels.

There is no dining-room in the children-house. The children bring the food from the kitchen to the second house, the house of the Mainkofen-Kibbuz, and get their meals in the dining-room of this group.

Education:

The children are learning in two classes, 3 hours daily, the following professions in the Hungarian language: Geography,

special Geography about Palestine, Hygiene, History, Hebrew History, Geometry, Physics and botany.

Besides these professions they get daily Hebrew lessons (1 hour daily) in small groups of 6 - 8 children.

The children over 15 are learning in several parts of the agriculture about meadows, fields, stalls etc. 3 hours daily. I explained that 4 hour lessons in the school, besides sport-lessons and 3 hours of agricultural work is too much and suggested two hours instead.

The children are doing the house-work too and are helping in the kitchen.

There is no class-room for the children: they get their lessons in the bed-rooms or in the open air.

The Health-situation:

All children were examined after their arrival in Mainkofen by the UNRRA doctor from Deggendorf. It is suspected that one girl has TB.

At the moment 8 children are ill, they are in hospitals in Munich and one in Deggendorf. One is suffering from heart-disease, one from TB., one stomach-illness, one post operative tonsillitis and one is ~~about~~ to undergo an appendix operation.

Magazine:

The Magazin is very nice and clean, but they have very little clothing. Besides sheets, pillows and mattresses they need shirts, blouses, skirts or dresses for girls, trousers for the boys, shoes and stockings.

In the magazine they are keeping the dirty laundry too. Suggestion was made to find another place for the dirty laundry, especially someone is sleeping in the magazin-room too.

^{He}
The impression ~~about~~ that children and their leaders made on me is a good one. The children are very anxious to learn and work. The leaders (one of them is a professional teacher) prepare themselves very seriously for the lessons.

Among these unaccompanied children are two with their mother, and this woman, an intelligent and good-hearted wife, takes the place of a mother for all the children. She tries to give to the house a family character.

The children came from Hungary half a year ago, have been in the Leipheim-Camp for several months and at last, about two weeks, in the farm Rothscheige near Dachau.

I know that the formal way of coming to Mainkofen was not in order, but the children are now so happy after weeks of suffering from hunger to be in a better environment that I beg of you to accept them as members of the Mainkofen-farm.

The number of rooms is not enough. On the other hand the Kibbuz gave them the rooms (their own rooms) only temporarily hoping to get a fourth house soon. (Now they are living in 3 houses).

I strongly urge that arrangements be made as quickly as possible for obtaining another house for the needs of these children.

June 17th 1946

H. Karsenthal

JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE

UNRRA-District 3
REGENSBURG

To; Miss Davidson.

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UNRRA District 3 Headquarters,
10 Martin Luther Strasse,
Regensburg.

12th June 1946.

To : Mr. A.C. Dunn,
Director, District No.3,
Regensburg.

From : Sandra Hurley,
District Nutritionist.

Subject : Report on Degendorf, Team 55 Visited 5/6-6-46

Main Kitchen.

1. Visited dinner time. Kitchen very messey and greasy.
2. Serving a fairly good meal, well cooked but soppily served.
3. Bean soup, meat sauce with dumpling and salad, potatoes.
4. Vegetable preparation room dirty and swimming with water.
5. Store room dirty and very untidy.
6. Kitchen not well organized or controlled.
7. Garbage disposal bad. Latrines used as dumping ground for food garbage. Sanitation Officer notified.

Old People's Kitchen.

1. Small upstairs congested kitchen. Difficult to keep clean. Personnel untidy.
2. Served a good mid-day meal - surprisingly good considering the confusion rife in this over congested small, inadequate kitchen.
3. Vegetable soup, meat stew with carrots and potatoes.
4. Dish-washing room simple frightful - the floor was swimming in greasy water with pots and pans all over place and no attempt was made to stack them.
5. Garbage disposal fair.

Recommendations:

Mr. Harris should teach these workers a system of organization. They have no idea of clearing as they go, or stacking.

Nursery Kitchen.

1. Again congested, but more orderly, better controlled.
2. Good chef who takes a keen interest in her work.
3. Food served appetizing and good.
4. Chef clean, other personnel not clean.
5. Mess hall clean, but very small and overcrowded.
6. Washing up facilities very inadequate indeed and not intelligently handled.
7. Garbage disposal fair.

School Kitchen.

1. Small, clean and well supervised.
2. Serve twice daily cocoa with cakes or other edible.

General Remarks.

All the kitchen with the except of the latter were below standard in fact I have never yet seen them clean.

The main warehouse and daily issue stores were reasonable clean but untidy. All of them lack that spruce appearance which only hard manual labour can achieve!

Mainkufen.

1. Small kitchen doing a good job- evening meal adequate.
2. Kitchen dusty and rather untidy, stove needed cleaning very badly.
3. Food store good. No flies!
4. Kitchen personnel interested and try to serve appetizing substantial meals.
5. Mess hall cleaner than I expected, considering that it is used by land workers.

6. Garbage fed to swine.
7. Both mess hall and kitchen are rather congested and therefore difficult to keep clean.

Nattenberg Kibutz.

1. Excellent establishment - controlled by young, intelligent Hungarian,
2. Kitchen spotlessly clean and mess hall equally so.
3. Store room downstairs good, daily ~~xxx~~ issue store excellent.
4. Fridge in excellent condition and food intelligently arranged there in.
5. Serve good plain food.
6. A delightful camp to visit - worked by young, intelligent hard worker. People anxious to get on.

Nattenberg Camp.

1. First impression of kitchen good.
2. Kitchen large, light and airy with good steam boilers but only one stove.
3. Food store room good and conveniently situated.
4. Mess hall excellent, with plenty of room.
5. Kitchen premises better than I had anticipated.

Recommendations:

1. Drainage gullet needs altering.
2. Tables for food preparation.
3. Racks for light equipment.

Winzer.

1. Two good, fairly well equipped kitchen with very attractive mess hall.
2. Good food storage accommodation.
3. Should be easy to operate as a first class kitchen.

Deggendorf, Team 55.

Visited 10th June 1946.

Nattenberg.

A flying visit on Monday night to discuss with Mr. Harris alteration to the drainage, otherwise the kitchen staff will simply swim in water. Mr. Harris has grasped the situation and promised to have alterations speedily effected.

Approved by:

A.R. Manittoff
A.R. Manittoff, Major USPHS
District Medical Officer.

Sandra Hurley
Sandra Hurley,
District Nutritionist.

Cc: Field Supervisor —
Zone Nutritionist
District M.O.
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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
TEAM 55
APO. 757 U.S. ARMY

7 June 1946

SUBJECT: Report.

TO: Miss J o h n s o n, UNRRA. Field Supervisor.

Enclosed please find a copy of Lt. Arnold's Report to Mr. Boatright.

I am sure this will give you a more clear and true picture about the case of Lt. Arnold.

William Wm. Buekhantz

WILLIAM WM. BUCKHANTZ
Director UNRRA. Team 55.

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MINISTÈRE des ANCIENS COMBATTANTS
& VICTIMES de la GUERRE

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DEGGENDORF, May 17th, 1946.

Réf. SRRZA/No 1-002

Subject: Report

To : Mr. BOATRIGHT, Tracing District Officer, REGENSBURG

From : Lt. F. L. ARNOLD, French Liaison Officer, DEGGENDORF

Herewith I confirm my telephone call with you yesterday explaining my situation in Deggen Dorf.

1. As soon as I came here I presented me, with your letter of recommendation, to the Direction of the UNRRA Team 55, to have been inclosed with food, billet and conveyance. Also I explained that to Mr. WITTMAN, 2nd Director, and later to Mr. BUCKHANTZ, Director, from what my work is consisting of. That means, what the UNRRA Tracing Branch, on the one hand, and the BUREAU NATIONAL des RECHERCHES FRANCAIS, on the other hand, are expecting from me. These situation was new for them, if I can say like this, but the best receive was given to me. At once Mr. WITTMAN inquired me of the difficults to get a room living or working there, what I saw it myself too. Previously he offered me on appartement for visitors in the UNRRA boarding-house. A little later they showed me a forsaked room without every comfortability. He told me, if it should be possible to me to find a better one, I could prefer it of course. So I went to the Bürgermeisteramt for an Office and a private room. Also he tried to find out for me to get some furnitures, what was not very easy. Here are my adresses:

Office: 232, Oberer Sadtplatz - DEGGENDORF
calling number: 326 (that's the phone number from a next german office from which you can get through to me) - in expecting that I shall get my phone.

Private room: 296 1/2 Stadtaustrasse - DEGGENDORF
(c/o Neumayr, junior)

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All the other things, like food, rations a.s.f., are furnished by the UNRRA Team 55. Than they give me to disposition a "D.P." Secretary, Miss H. HELMREICH, speaking French, English and German. (only she can't type) And to get a typewriter gives much troubles too. This is one of the reasons, that you didn't have a report from me earlier, for what I am sorry (also the troubles with the phone)

2. The possibilities of transportation are the same like in Regensburg. The Team can't give to my disposition a vehicle in permanence. I am waiting for my car which is ascribed me from the French Government, for the moment given for a repair in Munich. Therefor I hope that I shall get it in the shortest time, but for the moment I must explain you that I have much troubles. I shall do my best.

Until now, all my activities were for the UNRRA. I had so many difficulties from all sides, that it was impossible to me, to do my duty to my French Chief, Major WARISSE, which sent me into the American zone (Regensburg) for this purpose.

3. With the Officer, Director of the Military Government, I had already two maintenances to get an mutual understanding in my case. But you have to understand that was only a thing of duty for me; which was discipline and curtious as an Officer from the French Army to the Allied Military Authorities.

4. I confirm you the reception of a coupon-book for gasoline, clothing-card also the reports and Bulletin No 1, dated from the 4th of May 46, signed Mrs. STRICKER. I took cognizance of it and sent that to Major WARISSE, French Headquarter FRANKFURT/WIESBADEN.

5. To this letter I added 2 completed reports.

6. I hope, that I shall have the opportunity to go in the next time to Regensburg, where I shall have the pleasure to converse with you.

1st. Lt. F.L. ARNOLD
French Liaison Officer
DEGGENDORF.

COPY to Mr. BUCKHANTZ, Director
UNRRA Team 55 - Deggen Dorf
for simple information.

Deggen Dorf, Jun 5, 1946.



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--- Civ: 4002

6th June, 1946.

TO: Mr. J. A. Boatright,
District Tracing Officer,
REGENSBURG.

FROM: Dorothy M. Johnson,
Field Supervisor.

SUBJECT: Lt. Ferdinand Arnold, French Liaison Officer.

Following receipt of copy of your memo to Mrs. Dorothy Stricker, dated 16th May, I discussed your complaint with Mr. William V. Buckhantz, Director of Team 55 - Deggendorf. I did not have an opportunity to meet Lt. Arnold, but it does not appear to me that there is any cause for complaint about the treatment he received from Team 55.

According to Mr. Buckhantz, Lt. Arnold went to the Burgomaster on his own volition to secure a room, and he sought office space by preference outside Team 55 Office. As you state in your memo, Lt. Arnold appears to be entirely satisfied with his present arrangements. There was no intended slight on the part of Mr. Buckhantz, but the billeting facilities were extremely limited, and an additional Team member was assigned there at the time Lt. Arnold secured other facilities.

It hardly seems reasonable to blame Team 55 if Lt. Arnold did not inform them of his new location. When you telephoned on 14th May, seeking Lt. Arnold, the Director himself endeavoured to locate him, but surely cannot be considered responsible for Lt. Arnold's delay in giving him his new address.

In future we would very much appreciate information from you in advance, before assigning Liaison Officers to UNRRA Teams, in order that we may inform the Team of the arrangements to be made. As you know, Lt. Arnold arrived at Team 55 about a week before your memo of 14th May to Field Supervisors' office District 3.

Distribution:
Mr. Dunn ✓
Mrs. D. Stricker

Dorothy M. Johnson

DOROTHY M. JOHNSON
Field Supervisor

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4 June

To: Major Flannery

From- D.M. Johnson

Re- Natternberg, Winser, Mietraching, Team 55 Degendorf

Today I saw Natternberg and as I said it is pretty grim, with more than half the window glass gone, and some of the elec. fixtures and all bulbs gone. A few beds and an occasional table remains there. About 25 people are there from Amberg guarding and getting the place ready, but very discouraged.

Mietraching is set up and going pretty well with 194 Jews there and about 20 more expected -- remainders of families. They say this fills them to capacity. I saw several of the small rooms with 5, 6, and 7 single deck beds and the rooms were full enough. It would take a careful, complete survey to determine if a few more could be squeezed in. For the moment it should be considered full, I believe.

Winser, I did not see, but it is said to be in bad shape too. Because of the influx to Natternberg next week, please postpone filling Winser until later, and give the team at least one weeks notice. They are short-staffed to take on this additional work, but we are trying to correct this.

Mr. Buckhantz is postponing his leave still longer in order to over-see the filling of Natternberg. On the whole he has picked up on his performance and is showing more positive interest in these additional projects. He is very concerned to know if he can take in some of the Ukrainians and Poles that are clamoring at his door for admission to a camp, to Natternberg or Winser. Will you inform him of this? He will be there until the 15th.

ATTACHED- is another requisition on Mietraching.

File 7-55

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
TEAM 55
APO. 757 U. S. ARMY

Deggendorf, May 29, 1946

TO : Mrs. D.M. Johnson, Field Supervisor, UNRRA District Headqs.
FROM : Transportation Officer, UNRRA Team 55.
RE : Information re: Ford 1½ ton truck No. 768.

Ford 1½ tons truck, No.768, returned to Straubing for repair had been involved in an accident and had radiator damaged; the body moved on the chassis and the chassis forced out of line.

The engine also required a rebore.

J. J. McQuiston
JACK McQUISTON
Transportation Officer
UNRRA Team 55

Dr. Isa Herrmanns
Sanatorium Hausstein
bei Deggendorf/Donau
(13b)

or
Deggendorf
D.P.7 Alte Kaserne

29.5.46.

Dear Mrs. Johnson!

As it has been a long time since I had seen you for the last time and as I hasn't get any answer about my employment with UNRRA I take the liberty of asking you in which point my affair has stopped.

When you believe that I can do something in pushing things through I should be glad to do so.

I would like to begin work with UNRRA soon.

You will kindly understand that in case of not - employment I should like to learn this fact in order to care for ~~to~~ other work.

I should also agree with Bamberg if you don't need me in Pocking.

Will you excuse, please, that I dare troubling you
Yours truly

Herrmanns
(Dr. Herrmanns)

2251

1st June, 1946.

TO: Dr. Herrmanns,
Sanatorium Housstein,
DEGGENDORF, Team 55.

Re your letter received this morning, which will be handed to Mrs. Johnson on her return to this office. Inquiries show your application for Class II employment has gone through the necessary channels, and a decision is pending because of the recent order closing Class II recruitment.

You will be informed in a few days of the decision.

For DOROTHY M. JOHNSON
Field Supervisor


Secretary

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Team 55

MEMORANDUM

UNRRA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS NO. 3.

REGENSBURG.

16th May 1946.

TO: Wm. F. Buckley,
District Transport Officer,

FROM: D. M. Johnson,
Field Supervisor.

SUBJECT: Team 55, Deggendorf.

Mr. Buckhantz, Director of Team 55, has registered a complaint against Mr. Mooseburger, Transport Officer at Straubing, because of his extreme rudeness and his refusal to return a $1\frac{1}{2}$ ton Ford truck, No. 768, Motor No. BB18F-5689993, which was sent to Straubing motor pool on 7th March for repairs.

Mr. Mooseburger gave the Director no reason for having kept the truck for use in the motor pool, and flatly refused to return it.

This is the second complaint I have heard against Mr. Mooseburger on the basis of his unpleasant manner in dealing with people, who have every right to expect a decent degree of co-operation and courtesy.

DJ.
DOROTHY M. JOHNSON.

Copy to Mr. Dunn.

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MILITARY GOVERNMENT, LIAISON & SECURITY OFFICE
DET. D-301, LANDKREIS DEGGENDORF

June 1st, 1946

SUBJECT: Weekly Meeting of Units in Landkreis Deggen Dorf.

TO : Commanding Officer, 8th Constabl. Squadron
(Attention: S-2)
Commanding Officer, K-Co., 16th Inf. - 1st Div.
Commanding Officer, CO. A - 290th Eng.Bn.
Commanding Officer, 1198, Labor Supervision Co.
Special Agent, Gene Kolb, 970th CIC
Polish Guard Bn. - Winzer
✓ Director, UNRRA Team 55
Director, UNRRA Team 557

§ 1) For the purpose of maintaining closer liaison between all units in Landkreis Deggen Dorf, this office suggests a weekly meeting be held at the Military Government Office, Landkreis Deggen Dorf, every Tuesday at 1000 hours.

§ 2) Such meeting will serve the purpose of ironing out matters of security, liaison and conduct of troops arising between units of this Landkreis and will also serve to talk over matters of general interest.

§ 3) It is requested that a member of your command be present at this meeting.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

WILLIAM Y MURPHEY
1st Lt. Inf
Public Safety Officer

Telephone: Deggen Dorf No 270 and 336
Military No. 40

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27 May 1946

to- J. Earle
From- D.m. Johnson
Subject - Team 55, Degendorf
New Jewish center- Mietraching

Mr. Buckhantz says he cannot have this small much-needed center open until he receives the beds, mattresses, and kitchen equipment requisitioned about 2 weeks ago. I conveyed the idea to him that his center is not the only one clamoring for attention and supplies, but he gives this as his excuse for delaying the opening date much longer than anticipated.

File 55
27 May 1946

To- Personnel

From- D.M.Johnson

Re- Mr.W.V. Buckhantz, leave request
Director, Team 55, Deggendorf

If Mr.Buckhantz' travel orders have not yet gone out to him, will you follow up so they can reach him by May 31 or June 1, and he asked me to remind you of the "yellow slip" that is to accompany them.

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Mrs S. M. Johnson File
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Deggendorf, May 25, 1946

TO : Major Flannery, Field Operations, UNRRA District 3 Hqs.
FROM : Director, UNRRA Team 55.
RE : Requisitions for Natternberg camp.

Enclosed please find the requisition for Natternberg camp. I hope this time they are correct.

On the Camp Winzer I still could not reach Captain Blacky; I hope to see him today. Then I shall try to send you a completed requisition next week.

WILLIAM V. BUCKHANTZ
Director
UNRRA Team 55

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Deggendorf, May 22, 1946

TO : Mrs. D.M. Johnson, Field Supervisor, UNRRA District Hqs.
FROM: Lt. Elva Jane Waters, UNRRA Team 55. ✓
RE : 7 days' annual leave for Lt. E.J. Waters, USPHS 5440.

I am requesting 7 days' leave to go to Paris. I wish to make it clear that I am going there to visit friends and will be housed and fed by them. I do not desire nor will I need any billeting or messing by the Army; therefore, as I understand it, I need not be considered for any Army leave quota.

If further assurance is needed by any department, please let me know immediately, so that I can give the proper information to the proper authorities.

Elva Jane Waters - 1st Lt.
Lt. Elva Jane Waters
US Public Health Nurse,
UNRRA Team 55

Mrs. Johnson.

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17th May, 1946.

TO: Mr. C. J. TAYLOR,
Director of Field Operations,
UNRRA Headquarters, U.S. Zone,
PASING-MUNICH.

SUBJECT: Authorization of Movement of Individual
Displaced Persons.

Referring to your letter of May 2nd, 1946,
Field Supervisor, Mrs. Dorothy M. Johnson,
has called the matter emphatically to
Director Buckhantz' attention. It is
realised that Miss Frankfurter, who signed
the offending document, is no longer with the
Team. I am sure we will have no recurrence.

A. C. DUNN
DISTRICT DIRECTOR.

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MEMORANDUM FORM

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FROM: Dunn

DATE: _____

TO: Smith

SUBJECT: _____

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REMARKS

*Passing has asked for reply
to a letter of May 2 - "Authorization
of Movement of Individual D.P.s."
• Can we locate it. -*

Attached - with letter to Buckhantz.

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MEMORANDUM

UNRRA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS NO. 3

REGENSBURG.

DMJ/MM

10th May, 1946.

TO: Mr. Buckhantz,
Director, Team 55,
DEGGENDORF.

FROM: D. M. Johnson,
Field Supervisor,

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATIONS.

As a result of my field visit I believe it would be helpful for me to put in writing recommendations, some of which we may not have discussed during my visit, but which I hope you will bring up for discussion if there is any question.

1. The attached copies of correspondence received from UNRRA Zone H. Q., regarding the issuing of permits to displaced persons to travel, are self-explanatory. We realise that the letter signed by Miss Kitty Frankfurter with the UNRRA Team 55 stamp, may have been done without your knowledge. We request however that all members of your Team be instructed to issue no such permits or request for aid to travellers from your Camp. In this instance Mrs. Konrad has probably been harmed rather than helped, and very often good intentions do not bring the desired results.

2. We appreciate the promptness with which you submit your Weekly and Monthly Reports, and I would like to call to your attention the following desirable changes:

- a. Attempts to determine the nationality or origin of persons listed under "Other Jews".
- b. Those persons claiming to be Stateless should be questioned further, to determine where they were before coming to the US Zone.
- c. Please answer the question on Unaccompanied Children each week, even if only negatively.
- d. Submit separate Weekly Reports (ca/d4) on each of your installations, including the Farms, and persons to whom you issue full D.P. assistance who live in other communities.

Mr. Buckhantz T. 55.

10th May, 1946

3. With reference to personnel matters in your Team, I feel there is a need for clearer definition of duties of certain members of your Team, and strong support by you in helping Team members carry out their responsibilities. At the time of my next visit for example, I would like to discuss in some detail the responsibilities you have delegated to your Deputy Director.

In instances of disputes or differences of opinion between UNRRA members and residents of the Camp, it is highly important that the Director be consistent in adhering to instructions already given to Team members, and that the Director refrain from making repeated exceptions to agreed rules.

I should like to discuss these last points with you in some detail, but will appreciate you giving them some thought.

D. M. J.

UNRRA DISTRICT 3 H. Q. REGENSBURG
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FROM:

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Mr. Johnson

SUBJECT:

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REMARKS

*You will, of course, point out to Buchantz
the error of his ways that results in definite
hardship to those he seeks to help.*

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
UNITED STATES ZONE HEADQUARTERS
PASING-MUNICH
APO 757

2nd May 1946.

SUBJECT: Authorization of Movement of Individual
Displaced Persons.

TO : District Director #3.

1. The attached letter from Central Headquarters
for Germany, with enclosure, is forwarded to you for
necessary action.

For Zone Director.



C.J. Taylor.
Acting Deputy Zone Director.

CJT/kg.
Enclosure.

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