

REPORT ON KAMENO-BROD, NOVGRAD VOLHYN OUYESD VOLHYN GUBERNIA

Kameno-Brod is a small town situated about 30 versts from a railway station.

The total number of inhabitants before the pogroms was 2,500, of whom 1,500 were Jews. There were also at that time 200 houses and 15 shops. Now of a population of 2,300, only 1,300 are Jews and the number of Jewish shops has been reduced to 6.

Kameno-Brod suffered from three pogroms covering the period May 1919 till September 1920. During these pogroms 152 persons were killed and a great many women were violated (the exact number has not been established). As a result of these pogroms there are at the present time in Kameno-Brod 120 widows, 21 orphans and 56 half-orphans. 46 out of the total number of orphans and half-orphans are taken care of by the Children's Home.

Before the civil war, as well as at the present time, the main source of earnings for the Jewish population was the earthenware factory which exists in the town. There is also a small water-mill in which about 15 persons are employed. An additional small number of people were engaged in small trade. However, now owing to the reduction of the work of the earthenware factory, and to the general bad times, the number of unemployed has greatly increased.

The Jewish population can be classified approximately as follows:

65% wage-earners  
20% unemployed  
15% persons without definite professions

RELIEF RENDERED: Relief was administered to the pogromized by the Volhyn Gubsubiez, Evoboom, and the ARA, - by the distribution of funds, clothing, underwear, shoes and food stuffs. Besides, during the Polish occupation, relief was administered by the Polish Unit of the JOINT.

EXISTING INSTITUTIONS:

1. Jewish Children's Home No. 8: Takes care of 46 children, of whom 15 are orphans and 31 half-orphans. The personnel of the house consists of 5 teachers and 2 technical workers. The Home is supervised by the Uyezd Narodraz, but since February the Narodraz has not issued any funds either for the maintenance of the children, nor for the remuneration of the personnel. The Home is subventioned by the Earthenware factory of the All-Ukrainian Trust and by the Evoboom.

The premises of the Home are in need of repairs. There is a small garden consisting of 3/4 of a dessiatin, which is cultivated by the children and the personnel.

The Home is in need of clothing, medicaments, school appliances and stationery.

The following was received by the Children's Home from the JOINT, through the Evobcom:

80 food packages  
7 pounds flour  
10 " grits  
30 pounds cocoa  
30 " lard.

2. Jewish Public School: This school is in existence since September 1922. The School is supervised by the Harobraz. The number of pupils is 95 and their ages range from 6 to 15 years. 75 of these children are the children of wage-earners and the other children come from the non-labouring element. 6 are orphans, 69 half orphans and the other 20 have parents. The personnel consists of 4 teachers and 1 technical workers.

In view of the fact that the premises turned over to the school by the Kameno-Brodsky Selsoviet are half ruined, the school is temporarily located in a private apartment. The equipment of the School is very scanty. The school is in need of:

1. Repairs of the premises assigned to it (about \$125)
2. School appliances and stationery
3. Clothing, underwear and shoes for 50% of the children
4. Organization for the feeding of 50 of the neediest children taught in the school.
5. Monthly Subvention for remuneration of the pedagogical personnel (about \$10).

#### MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS:

The town has a Dispensary which serves the workmen of the Earthenware Factory chiefly. As for the poorest Jewish population it receives no medical assistance whatever, as the scanty means of the Dispensary do not allow it to administer relief to all the needy.

The following Medical Relief is urgently needed:

1. To supply the Dispensary with Medicaments and bandaging materials and to enable it to extend medical aid to all the needy. This can be done by granting a monthly subvention.
2. To open a Hospital with 10 beds which would serve the poorest population of the town. Premises are available.
3. To open a Home for Aged for at least 30 persons, - as there is a great number of aged and invalids who are uncared for.

#### FUTURE BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS

#### EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS

CHILD RELIEF

	<u>One Time</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
1. <u>Jewish Children's Home:</u>		
a) Repairs, equipment, school appliances, stationery, clothing and shoes	\$380.	
b) Monthly maintenance		\$80
2. <u>Jewish Public School:</u>		
a) Repairs, equipment, school appliances, stationery, organization of a kitchen and purchase of kitchen utensils	325.	
b) Delivery of one set of clothing and footwear to each of 50 children	250.	
c) Monthly maintenance and feeding of 50 child.		50.
 <u>II MEDICAL RELIEF</u>		
1. <u>Dispensary:</u>		
a) Maintenance and supply with medicaments		75.
2. <u>Hospital: (10 beds)</u>		
a) Repairs and equipment	250.	
b) Monthly maintenance		50.
3. <u>Home for Aged for 30 persons:</u>		
a) Repairs to the premises, equipment, clothing and shoes	475.	
b) Monthly maintenance		100.
	<u>\$1680.</u>	<u>\$335.</u>

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