

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
ST. PAUL

PROCLAMATION.

Again an appeal for help comes to us from the war-torn countries of the Old World, this time in behalf of the starving and homeless Jews in central and Eastern Europe. Three fourths of the 13,000,000 Jews in Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Russia, Roumania, Austria, Hungary, Palestine, Czecho-Slovakia and Turkey are struggling for existence against fearful odds.

The American Jewish Relief committee has issued an appeal for \$14,000,000 for immediate relief. This will be used first to feed, clothe and shelter the 800,000 orphans, 200,000 of whom are in the Ukraine, bereft of one or both parents through the war or because of pogroms. Next aid will be given to 400,000 refugees who have fled from the Ukraine or other pogrom lands, thousands of them living in open fields or forests, exposed to hunger, cold and disease. Aid will also be given to the Jews in famine-stricken Russia, where the Jewish relief workers are co-operating with the American Relief administration under Secretary Hoover and with the Society of Friends.

Minnesota has been asked to raise \$250,000 as its quota in this work. Our unemployment and relief problems at home fade into insignificance when compared with the utter destitution of millions of people in Europe. Despite our business depression, our state should be able to contribute its share promptly and cheerfully.

NOW THEREFORE, I, J. A. O. Freus, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby indorse this relief campaign and urge our people to contribute liberally to this fund. While we have an abundance of food, we must try to see that no person is permitted to starve. If anyone takes a selfish viewpoint, let him remember that everything we do for the rehabilitation of these helpless people in Europe will hasten the resumption of that international trade which is essential to the return of prosperity in this country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed hereto this 15th day of February, 1922.

  
Governor of Minnesota.

  
Secretary of State.

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