According to the latest telegrams received from Shanghai (June 6th, 7th and 9th) the actual position of the Refugee Problem in Shanghai is as follows:

1: Number of refugees registered with us 9500
(There must be over 1000 refugees who did not register with our organization)

2: We have three refugee centers in Hongkow (the Japanese occupied part of the foreign settlement of Shanghai) besides we have a kind of clearing house downtown in the Embankment Building, (offices temporarily arranged as shelters) put at our disposal free of charge by the Sassoon Interests.

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<th>Living in our homes</th>
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We are providing food for 5300.

Estimated arrivals based on figures given by shipping companies, 2000 monthly.

3: Sassoons are taking back the Embankment offices and replacing same by the "Aerocrete" properties, where we can accommodate 2500.

Shanghai Municipal Council is putting at our disposal, two more schools which can accommodate 1400.

We have under consideration the building of barracks on the "Sansing Properties" belonging to Sassoon and four other parties, but the cost of constructing same may be prohibitive. In December the Works Department of the Shanghai Municipal Council made an estimate for me of $35,000 for 850 of the refugees.

4: Shanghai advises number of Protestant Refugees 150
Catholic 100

5: Our Medical Board advises food insufficient and unnuishing.
6: Shanghai wired on June 9th that financial difficulties are increasing. (I presume in consequence of extra expenses for summer, increased cost of living, etc.)

7: Shanghai advises - Over 250 refugees have permits for U.S.A. and other countries. We have no funds to finance passages. Requirements not less than U.S. $50,000.00.

8: Milk Fund for children - We received a good many subscriptions, especially from non-Jewish parties, the National Christian Council being the largest contributors, but this fund also exists from day to day.

9: SCHOOLING

Over 100 refugee children are taken care of in the Shanghai Jewish School, which itself is dependent upon contributions from private parties, and the Shanghai Municipal Charities Organization. The schools being about thirty minutes drive from the Refugee Centers, these children are taken by special buses (all public conveyances have been halted where all in the Japanese occupied zone). The Jewish school/children are given medical and dental care, and where they are served with luncheons free of charge, is now overcrowded. We have to start a school of our own for the hundreds of refugee children of all ages.

Unfortunately when I left on May 14th, an epidemic of scarlet fever broke out and our new school was requisitioned by the Health Department to serve as an isolation hospital.

10: FINANCIAL PROBLEM

There being no visa required for Shanghai, and there being no quota or restriction of any kind, it is an impossibility to foretell how many refugees we shall have in Shanghai in the near future. All our endeavors to curtail the unlimited influx of refugees have been in vain; the Gestapo and the shipping companies encourage the departure of refugees for Shanghai, so we may fully expect to have from 20,000 to 25,000 by the end of 1939.
Now Shanghai cannot absorb these people. Shanghai has two years of war. It has a very big Jewish charity budget since years, to which must be added the consequences of the bombardment of that part of Shanghai where the poorer Jews were residing, and who lost practically all of their belongings. Several thousands of Russian Jews are still not self-supporting. A depreciated currency which hits everyone, and must send up the cost of living, has aggravated the situation since last week.

11:- Out of all these refugees only 350 have found positions, so it may be presumed that the greater part of these people will remain unemployed and will have to be taken care of for an unforeseen period.

12:- Our Rehabilitation Fund has enabled about 300 families to start in business; the basic idea of this fund is that when repayments come in, to use such money for financing other parties (a revolving fund). When I left, the cost of feeding was down to Chinese cents 35, U.S. cents about 6¢ per day, but as our Medical Board is dissatisfied there may be a slight increase necessary.

At present the Shanghai Committee has been living from day to day. It was only just before my departure that London promised regular help, Joint Account New York, of £2000 per month, for the next three months, and informed us that Cairo would contribute £1000 monthly.

The "gifts in kind", (linen, clothes, fruit, furniture, tea, lumber) have been considerable, but the contributions from the Jewish quarters, which are already taxed to the hilt by their own Jewish charity budget, and by contributions for Chinese refugees, and by the depression of two years of war, cannot be increased.

I estimate the total Shanghai contributions to about $8000.00 to $10,000.00 monthly.

Hongking has only a few Jews and contributes very little, Manilla nothing, having their own refugee problem. Singapore has helped us but are now called
upon by Manilla. Calcutta very little; Bombay very little; Australia and New Zealand nothing.