

## **AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GERMANS FROM RUSSIA (AHSGR) COLLECTION RECORD**

American Volga Relief Society, Lincoln Nebraska  
Records: 1921-1926 and no date; mostly 1921-1925  
Lincoln NE; McCook NE; and Portland OR  
Size: 2.1MB [to be microfilmed]

### **HISTORICAL NOTE**

Russia experienced mass starvation from 1920-1924 and the years 1921-1922 saw the largest number of deaths. The cause of the starvation was the Lenin government policy of forced grain requisition carried out as part of the kulak (wealthy private farmers) extermination campaign. The ethnic Germans living along both banks of the Volga River in the Saratov and Samara provinces of Russia had resisted the grain requisition. As a punitive measure, Lenin ordered that the Volga area settlements be completely stripped of all grain and that mass executions be carried out. Over 30% of the Volga German population was deliberately starved before Lenin allowed international famine relief organizations into the area. The relief was reluctantly allowed after the Lenin government began to fear that food shortages among the military and city workers (who were considered the back-bone of the Bolshevik Revolution) would lead to mass rebellion. As the Volga region, along with the Ukraine, was the main bread basket of the area, Lenin (who was pragmatic and willing to improvise policy as circumstances dictated and unforeseen events arose) recognized the need to save the Volga German population (which was extraordinarily adept at farming) to help ensure a successful harvest, feed the military and city workers, and thus save the Revolution. After the relief project was completed, the government continued to persecute the Volga German population, and starvation continued until the end of 1924.

In 1921 George Repp of Portland, Oregon, organized the Volga Relief Society (VRS) which solicited funds from the Volga German communities in America for the relief of relatives in Russia. John Miller became the president of the Portland VRS when Repp traveled to Russia to work with the American Relief Association as the representative for the VRS. A separate organization with similar goals, the Central States Volga Relief Society (CSVRS) arose at the same time in Lincoln Nebraska. On November 4, 1922, the two organizations consolidated to form the American Volga Relief Society (AVRS). The first president of AVRS was Dr. H.P. Wekesser of Lincoln.

The VRS and AVRS operated through the American Relief Administration (ARA) headed by Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover. The CSVRS chose Jacob Volz of York, Nebraska, as its representative in Russia to personally oversee the operation in the Volga area. The main areas of operation in Russia were the Saratov and Samara provinces of the future Volga German Republic, the Samara-Koshki German settlement area, and the German settlements in the Siberian Omsk area. In 1924, operations were also conducted in Germany, mainly in the form of donations to orphanages and missions. The AVRS officially disbanded in 1926, although private relief efforts continued into the 1930s.

Many records of the Lincoln AVRS were entrusted to Hattie Plum Williams, a professor at the University of Nebraska, because she was known as the foremost scholarly researcher of the Volga German ethnic group in Lincoln, Nebraska. When Dr. Williams'

papers were donated to the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) in 1961 as manuscript collection 1872, the AVRS materials went with them. In January of 1996, the NSHS decided to move the AVRS materials, describe them more fully, and film them as a separate collection.

### **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This AHSGR material relates to the starvation of the Volga German colonists in Russia, and the efforts of the AVRS to supply food and other aid to the region. Although the collection contains items spanning the dates 1921 to 1938, the bulk of the materials are dated 1921-1925, the most intensive years of the famine. Many of the records are written in German, and contain materials of the following varieties: letters written by Volga German village leaders recording population statistics before the Revolution and after the famine in 1923; lists of donors with amounts donated; receipts for food or clothing packages and cash; ARA and AVRS office correspondence, including newsletters; correspondence of Jacob Volz; letters of appeal for donations from Germany; CSVRS subscription coupons; bank statements and other miscellaneous items relating to the AVRS and the Volga German communities of Lincoln and McCook, Nebraska, and Portland, Oregon. The material also includes documentation of the efforts to provide food to the needy in Germany after the ARA (and therefore AVRS) removed all representatives in the Soviet Union in 1924. The Germany food support was implemented through the German Red Cross.

The material is organized in two sets: Collection 1 and Collection 2. Collection 1 contains material for all the series and sub-series of the Index. The Index for Collection 2 uses the same index structure but only a subset of the index listings was necessary to describe the Collection 2 material.

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### **INDEX for SERIES DESCRIPTION**

Series I: Correspondence, from CVRS/AVRS. Series contains letters primarily from President Dr. HP Wekesser (1921 through December 1922 until his death 15 December 1922) to various correspondents, arranged chronologically. HJ. Amen assumed role of President in 1923.

Sub-series A: Correspondence to Dr. Wekesser, 1921 – through Dec 1921

Sub-series B: Jan 1922 – through Dec 1922 (contains one letter from CJ Stroh, Secretary, after death of Dr. Wekesser)

Sub-series C: Jan 1923 – through Dec 1923, organized by originator and then chronologically

Sub-series D: Jan 1924 – through Dec 1924, organized by originator and then chronologically

Series II: Correspondence, American Volga Relief Society Office. Divided into three sub-series, arranged chronologically:

Sub-series A: Correspondence sent from the ARA to the CSRS/AVRS

Sub-series B: Correspondence sent to the AVRS regarding various aspects of the relief operation, arranged chronologically

Folder 1: 1921 correspondence

Folder 2: 1922 correspondence

Sub-series C: Correspondence sent to the AVRS from Germany

Series III: Correspondence, Jacob Volz. Series contains letters from Jacob Volz arranged chronologically

Series IV: Correspondence, Rev. Jacob Wagner. Series contains reports and letters from Rev. Wagner arranged chronologically.

Series V: Description of bales of clothing shipped to colonies by AVRS: Series contains the bale number, village the bale is to go to and its weight - arranged chronologically

Series VI: Portland VRS Financial and other correspondence, arranged chronologically

Series VII: Lincoln & Russia AVRS Financial data & various bills, arranged chronologically

Series VIII: Railway bills

Series IX: Minutes of meetings or Press Releases, arranged chronologically

Series X: Newspaper articles, arranged chronologically (if possible)

Series XI: Policies

Series XII: CVRS/AVRS Odds & Ends – items that are in the files with no obvious topics

Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text. Arranged by year, then chronologically.

Folder 1: no date or no recognizable date

Folder 2: 1921

Folder 3: 1922

Folder 4: 1923

Folder 5: 1924

Series XIV: Additional correspondence, arranged chronologically, to and from the CVRS/AVRS. Where possible, the letter the correspondence is replying to is included immediately after the CVRS/AVRS letter as page two. This series should be used in conjunction with other related series in the collection that have correspondence separated into separate topics.

Folder 1: January 1922 through October 1922

Folder 2: November 1922 through December 1922

Folder 3: January 1923

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Folder 5: April, May, June & July 1923

Folder 6: August, September & October 1923

Folder 7: November 1923

Folder 8: December 1923

Folder 9: January 1924

Folder 10: February 1924

Folder 11: March 1924

Folder 12: April 1924

Folder 13: May 1924

Folder 14: June, July, August, September, October, November 1924

Folder 15, ARA Commemoration Report

Series XV: Photocopies of the contents of a scrapbook from the Portland VRS. Identified as AHSGR library item GR 1480, it is part of the AHSGR permanent collection but not circulated due to its poor condition. Scrapbook contains correspondence and other materials from August 1921 through June 1926. This includes copies of several ARA reports and reports from Herbert Hoover to the President of the United States about the efforts and success of the agency. There are also multiple reports by George Repp while serving on the ARA staff in Russia as the representative for the VRS and AVRS. The material includes numerous copies of attacks on the VRS by the California Post and the Dakota Freie Presse with rebuttals of the accusations. ARA Press Releases and reports from Russia are included, also VRS reports containing letters from various villages. The material is primarily in letter size format but there are numerous legal and 11x17 size items. The index has been prepared as the material exists in the scrapbook which is mainly in chronological order except for the order of items in envelopes in the front and rear covers.

Series XVI: Assorted records from additional small file boxes in AHSGR vault.

Folder 1: Multiple topics, including lists of household numbers with names of persons material was provided to in villages

Folder 2: Kukkus related material from Phillip Reifschneider, including a pseudo census, and donated by Henry P. Reifschneider

Folder 3: Includes receipt lists signed by individuals who received the items. Bauer and Jost villages identified, other villages not identified.

Folder 4: Receipts mailed from Russia by Jacob Volz

Folder 5: Letters (German) to and from Pastor Kuchne

Series XVII: Record Book of American Volga Relief Society (original book in AHSGR Vault, box marked "Volga Relief Society")

Folder 1: Records of Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Lincoln Nebraska 3-5 Nov 1922

Folder 2: Constitution of the American Volga Relief Society

Folder 3: Minutes of AVRS Executive Council, 8 Nov 1922 – 3 Sept 1923

Folder 4: Records of Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Greeley Colorado, 22 – 23 August 1923

Folder 5: Minutes of AVRS Executive Council, 19 Sept 1923 – 13 May 1924

Folder 6: Records of Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Portland Oregon, 11-15 June 1924

Folder 7: Convention pennants for Delegate and Committee, Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Lincoln Nebraska, 23-27 June 1926

Series XVIII: 1924 bank draft records drawn on State Bank. Record contains: B.U.S. number, date (all 1924), City (normally Saratov), Order of (name of person), amount, Sold to (if available, appears to be the person who obtained the funds – not necessarily the 'Order to' person)

Series XXIV: Reserved.

Series XX: Collection of papers and correspondence donated 30 March 2008 to AHSGR by Eduard Gerke, Kelowna Canada. The documentation is the result of his research to collect copies of correspondence and reports from a variety of International sources about the VRS and the famine period in Russia.

Subseries A: Copies from Herbert Hoover Institute, boxes 315 & 347

Subseries B: German Red Cross and German Aid, Hoover Institute, Box 88

Subseries C: Copies from Herbert Hoover Institute, ARA cablegrams and memorandum, 20 September 1921-31 July 1923

Folder 1: 20 September 1921-8 July 1922

Folder 2: 12 July 1922-31 July 1923

Subseries D: Additional Copies from Herbert Hoover Institute

Folder 1: assorted correspondence, 21 September 1921-18 April 1924

Folder 2: ARA file, correspondence with and about Dr. H. Wekesser and VRS

Folder 3: ARA file, correspondence with Department of Commerce, 6 July 1922-17 July 1922

Subseries E: Correspondence with International Red Cross agencies

Folder 1: Public Information Division of ICRC and article "In Search of a Soviet Holocaust"

Folder 2: Correspondence with International Committee of the Red Cross, Comité International de la Croix-Rouge

Folder 3: Correspondence with Deutsches Rotes Kreuz

Folder 4: Correspondence with Lutheran Relief

Folder 5: Correspondence with Quaker Relief

Folder 6: Correspondence with Canada Aid and Contact sheet for Argentine Red Cross

Folder 7: Reference Materials German-Catholic Aid

Folder 8: Correspondence with Red Cross Aid

Folder 9: Correspondence with Verein der Wolgadeutschen

Subseries F: Correspondence with Hoover Institute about Volga Famine

Subseries G: Additional records from ARA Russian Operations (RO) files of Hoover Institution Archive (some duplication with other ARA RO records exists)

Folder 1: 13 September 1921 to 21 March 1922

Folder 2: 5 April 1922 to 9 October 1922

Series XXI: copies and originals of American Friends Service Committee Bulletin 44 "*Do You Know the Reality of the Russian Famine?*" and Bulletin 47, Copy, Bulletin 44, *15,000,000 Starving-What will you give?*, many photos

Series XXII: Report by Pastor Arthur Kluck, village Frank, 1918-1922

(handwritten German), on National Lutheran Council letterhead, contains information about Frank, Hussenbach, Kolb, Walter, Walter-Chutor and Frank-Chutor. Material is from ELCA Office of the Bishop (ELCA 9/1) Archives of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Chicago Illinois

Series XXIII: Records of JJ Stroh, Lincoln Nebraska. JJ Stroh was a Steamship Agent for numerous shipping companies and the records include telegrams describing the ticket arrangements and schedules for persons traveling on prepaid tickets. A few documents identify who purchased the tickets for the travelers. Copies of Stroh's

ledger with name of shipping line, date and cost of tickets, name of traveler and number of passengers are included. Passengers arrived in Canadian and US ports.

Series XXIV: Supporting Information

Folder 1: ARA Association Review pamphlet, *Genesis of the Association and Its First Reunion*. Article by Herbert Hoover, Frank C. Page, George Bart Baker, John P. Gregg, Edgar Rickard, James P. Goorich, Roland W. Boyden, William N. Haskell, Julius H. Barnes, Arthur Ruhl, HH Fisher, JL Gilcriese, AC Blomquits, John Ellington, Denis McSweeney, Sidney Brooks and others.

Series XXV: Supporting Information

Folder 1: Material from H.J. Amen Collection

Folder 2: Material from H.J. Amen Collection

Series XXVI: Report of Donors and Recipients of Food Drafts to German Settlements in Russia, Sept 1922 to March 1923 (Primarily in the Odessa Region); by Gust Mauser through the National Lutheran Council, Archives of ELCA [cover sheet and 55 handwritten pages (two sided, pages 1-110)]

Series XXVII: Volga Famine; Multiple Copies of Cablegrams, Telegrams, Letters and Other Material Associated with Catholic Aid Activities: from Hoover Institute Archives, Collection ARA RO, Box 372, Folder ID 1; 8 ½" x 14", 125 pages

Series XXVIII: Supporting Information

Miscellaneous Materials

**Collection 1; Series I: Correspondence, from CVRS/AVRS. Series contains letters primarily from President Dr. HP Wekesser (1921 through December 1922 until his death 15 December 1922) to various correspondents, arranged chronologically. HJ. Amen assumed role of President in 1923.**

**Subseries A: 1921 – through Dec 1921**

Box 1, Folder 1

- To HF McIntosh, manager of Omaha Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Bureau, 7 Sept 1921
- To Edgar Rickard, American Relief Administration (ARA) Director, 7 Sept 1921 about organization of Central States Volga Relief Society (CSVRS)
- Night letter to John Miller, Portland OR, 11 Sept 1921 about request for Rev. Hagelganz (in Lincoln) to support CSVRS instead of their organization in Lincoln
- To Edgar Rickard, ARA about formation of CSVRS, 12 Sept 1921, multi-page
- To John Miller, Portland OR Volga Relief Society, about wasted effort with two organizations working in same (Lincoln) area, 13 Sept 1921
- To John Miller about meeting of Wekesser and Stroh with Herbert Hoover in Washington DC and suggestion of cooperation with Portland OR organization, 14 Sept 1921, multi-page
- To Val Peters, Tribune Publishing Co. about CSVRS, 14 Sept 1921, multi-page
- To Henry Loebeck about work in Grand Island NE, 15 Sept 1921
- To Michael Gensborn with plea for financial support, 15 Sept 1921
- To George Scheidt requesting arranging mass meeting in Friend NE, 15 Sept 1921
- Night letter to Rev. P. Ruder about arrival of Lorenz and arranging other meetings, 16 Sept 1921
- Night letter to Henry Rahn about arrival of Stroh and arranging a meeting, 16 Sept 1921
- To Henry Bender, Sr. about planned donation, 17 Sept 1921
- To John Metzger about CSVRS and misinformation being spread by Portland OR organization, 17 Sept 1921
- To Mrs. Lena Newka about not accepting funds or clothing for individuals at this time, 17 Sept 1921
- To Henry Hein, president Volga Relief Society, Hasting NE about CSVRS and misinformation from Portland's Rev. Hagelganz
- To Henry Hein about misunderstands and hope that future relationship with Portland organization will improve, 19 Sept 1921, multi-page
- To Henry Wacker about disappointment Culbertson group had aligned with Portland and ongoing conflicts with Portland organization, 21 Sept 1921, multi-page
- To Edgar Rickard that CSVRS recommends Portland works in western states and not central states, 22 Sept 1921
- To Henry Koch with thanks for Campbell reception for JJ Stroh meeting, 21 Sept 1921
- To Henry Klein with thanks for Norfolk NE reception for Adolph Lebsack meeting, 21 Sept 1921
- To HJ Bernhardt about disappointment Fort Morgan CO group had aligned with Portland and ongoing disagreements with Portland organization, 22 Sept 1921, multi-page
- To Rev. Rothenberger that, contrary to rumors, Wessinger and Stroh are not planning to go to Russia, 22 Sept 1921

To Balthasar Ostermiller explaining how money can be sent to colonies but not individuals, 22 Sept 1921

To Henry Hein about Hastings NE deciding to align with CSVRS, 26 Sept 1921, multi-page

To John Metzger about continuing conflicts with Portland organization and that “Portland man is of the braggadocio variety.”, 27 Sept 1921, multi-page

To Val Peter with request for additional copies of Welt-Post newspaper, 27 Sept 1921

To Val Peter about statements by Rev. Maul are “absolutely false”, that he is working against CSVRS and recommendation that Welt-Post not publish future articles by Rev. Maul, 29 Sept 1921

To John Metzger with recommendations for sending money and not, at this time, sending clothing, 30 Sept 1930, multi-page

To Henry Hein about transportation problems in Soviet and Hoover’s work to make it possible to make it easier for relief supplies to be sent , 3 Oct 1921

To Edgar Rickard about possible resignations by Wekesser and Stroh to avoid additional disruption to work of CSVRS and disagreement with \$100,000 rule, 3 Oct 1921, multi-page

To John Miller with statement of disagreements with Portland organization but desire to work cooperatively, 3 Oct 1921,

To CF Beavie with plea that letter to Rickard be read and the work of CSVRS be encouraged – also that the National Lutheran Council is telling people about clothing, food and funds being sent directly to individuals which is not recommended by CSVRS which prefers to work through the ARA, 4 Oct 1921, multi-page

To Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce about letter to Rickard with request that rule recommended by Rickard not be applied, 4 Oct 1921

To John Sitz with receipt for \$5 donation, 4 Oct 1921

To J. Volz about receipt for \$10 donation, 4 Oct 1921

To John (and Lydia) Metzger (Wekesser cousins) encouraging them to organize in their area, 6 Oct 1921

To Conrad Sitzman inviting Greeley CO to work with CSVRS, 6 Oct 1921

To Henry Hein about \$15,500 to sent to ARA, 7 Oct 1921

To Edgard Rickard about plans to send \$15,500 to ARA with instructions for distribution, 7 Oct 1921

To Edgar Rickard inquiring about status of using food drafts, 10 Oct 1921

To Edgar Rickard asking about reports from Samara or Saratov and disappointment ARA will not permit CSVRS to send a representative to the Volga area, 11 Oct 1921

To Gordon Wattles asking for help to convince Rickard and Hoover to allow a CSVRS representative to be sent to the Volga area if food draft plan is not implemented soon, 13 Oct 1921

To Rev. Scheuning expressing sorrow his church is not working with the CSVRS and instead is working with a denominational organization (probably referring to National Lutheran Council), 18 Oct 1921

To John Miller stating the food draft play has been approved and describing ongoing problems caused by National Lutheran Council, 19 Oct 1921

To B. Ostermiller about funds sent to ARA and planned trip to Newark NJ, 20 Oct 1921

Night letter to FA Lorenz about planned Kansas meetings, 3 Nov 1921

Night letter to FA Lorenz about planned meeting with Schleuning, 4 Nov 1921



Night letter to William Urbach inquiring if he is willing to go to Russia and work among German colonies, 4 Nov 1921

To Henry Hein about food has left Saratov for Schilling and Warrenburg but great difficulty remains for clothing distribution, 4 Nov 1921

To John and Lydia (Metzger, Wekesser cousins) about rumors CSVRS funds were to be commingled with National Lutheran Council funds and remaining problems of dispersing clothing, 7 Nov 1921

To Val Peter that statements in paper about commingling of CSVRS funds are incorrect, 7 Nov 1921

To (Lutheran) Reverend L. Hopp explaining CSVRS has voted to work as a separate organization under the rules of the ARA, that Mr. Repp (Portland in Russia) is recognized as a representative for CSVRS, that CSVRS will work along side any organization striving to relieve the suffering of our people and that CSVRS does not want to ally with a sectarian organization and plans to remain simply non-denominational, 7 Nov 1921

Night letter to John Miller of plans to select CSVRS representative, 8 Nov 1921

Night letter to FA Lorenz of plans to select CSVRS representative, 8 Nov 1921

To Will F. Urbach of plans to select CSVRS representative, 10 Nov 1921

Example of receipt form letter from CSVRS with listing of officers and Directors (among Nov 1921 correspondence)

To FA Lorenz about \$7,000 draft being sent to ARA, no clothing not accepting by ARA, and two villagers killed and their food taken from them, 15 Nov 1921

To Rev. Moser, Harvard NE about opposition to selection of Rev. Ballensky as CSVRS representative and committee meeting again to reconsider the selection (Ballensky has refused to withdraw). Volz & Urbach are now being recommended, 8 Dec 1921

To Rev. Braun, Hastings NE about opposition to selection of Rev. Ballensky as CSVRS representative and committee meeting again to reconsider the selection (Ballensky has refused to withdraw). Volz & Urbach are now being recommended, 8 Dec 1921

To Frank Page, ARA, with request to find address for Alexander Kaltenberger in Russia and provide assistance, 19 Dec 1921

To Edgar Rickard with draft for \$7,500 and instructions about which colony the funds are to be given, 13 Dec 1921

To Rev. Arnold, Lincoln NE with invitation mass meeting to address opposition to Rev Ballensky as representative, 14 Dec 1921

To Edgar Rickard with two postal money orders and a food draft from Phillip Reifschneider for colony Kukus, 14 Dec 1921

Copy of food draft form for use by Phillip Reifschneider for Kukus contribution (no date)

To Henry Hein about planning for Rev. Wagner to travel to Russia as representative for CSVRS, 29 Dec 1921

To Edgar Rickard that Rev. Jacob Wagner chosen instead of Rev. Ballensky as CSVRS representative, 31 Dec 1921

**Collection 1; Series I**

**Subseries B: Jan 1922 – through Dec 1922 (contains one letter from CJ Stroh, Secretary, after death of Dr. Wekesser)**

Box 1, Folder 2

- To David Fritzler, Eaton CO – declined his offer to “take up the work” because he is a stranger to the CSVRS board, 3 Jan 1922
- To William Urbach, Denver CO – considering him as alternate to Rev. Wagner if Wagner is not accepted by ARA, 6 Jan 1922, multi-page
- To Edgar Rickard recommending Rev. Jacob Wagner be accepted by the ARA for CSVRS, 9 Jan 1922
- To Frank Page explaining background of Rev. Wagner and expressing confidence in him, 9 Jan 1922, multi-page
- To William Urbach about ongoing process for approval of Rev. Wagner, 12 Jan 1922
- To Edgar Rickard discussing Rev. Wagner and asking that National Lutheran Council person (Mr. Beachorner) be placed somewhere other than to work in the Volga colonies, 12 Jan 1922
- To Henry Klein explaining difficulties of shipping grain directly to colonies, 13 Jan 1922
- To Henry Hein about Rev. Wagner’s appointment is approved by ARA, 14 Jan 1922
- To William Urbach explaining that Wagner’s appointment has been accepted, 14 Jan 1922
- To Frank Page thanking ARA for approval of Wagner’s appointment, 14 Jan 1922
- Night letter to Rev. Jacob Wagner – Salem Church wants to know if he will continue to serve them after returning from Russia, 15 Jan 1922
- To W. Lyman Brown, Director ARA, letter of introduction for Rev. Jacob Wagner, 16 Jan 1922
- Example of food draft form filled out by HP Weckessor, 20 Jan 1922
- To Val Peter expressing lack of emphasis of CSVRS in Welt-Post and asking if it is the policy of the paper that other organizations will receive better space allocations, 25 Jan 1922
- To James Norton of American Friends Service Committee about possible working together, 26 Jan 1922
- To Frank Page about organizations working with Russian Red Cross and the National Lutheran Council attempting to organize drives in the central states, 26 Jan 1922
- To Louis Moser that it is not yet possible to send clothing directly to an individual (except by parcel post which is not insured), 26 Jan 1922
- To B. Ostermiller about wanting to clear up a misunderstanding, 27 Jan 1922
- To Frank Page about Alexander Kaltenberger and requesting a copy of the letter from Mr. Hoover which endorsed the CSVRS, 30 Jan 1922
- To WF Urbach asking for help to organize a fund drive in Denver, 1 Feb 1922
- To Doubleday, Page & Co. about article “Russia’s Need and Russia’s Hope” in the World’s Work, 2 Feb 1922
- To Mr. Norton requesting copies of photographs in their bulletin 47, 2 Feb 1922
- To Armour & Co., Chicago IL, requesting funds for the CSVRS drive, 8 Feb 1922
- To Rev. LA Moser explaining difficulties of sending grain to colonies and the work being done by Quakers, 9 Feb 1922
- To Phillip Kindsfater explaining the recommended method of sending assistance to a colony or individual is by working through and with CSVRS and the ARA, 9 Feb 1922

To “whom it may concern” explaining work being done by Quakers in District of Buzuluk, province Samara, to distribute grain and flour to famine sufferers, 14 Feb 1922

To Frank Page describing a draft for \$15,000 with instructions of how it is to be distributed, 16 Feb 1922, multi-page

To Henry Hein asking that an effort be made to perform a drive for contributions in Hastings NE, 17 Feb 1922

To Rev. Henry Lorenz encouraging him to organize a fund drive in Topeka, 17 Feb 1922

To ?? describing recent accomplishments of the CSVRS, 18 Feb 1922, multi-page

To Val Peter thanking the Welt-Post for the good space in the latest issue, 22 Feb 1922

To G Bastron acknowledging contribution of \$363.75 and the instructions for its dispersal. Rev. GJ Schmidt is now the financial secretary since Rev. Wagner departed for Russia, 23 Feb 1922

To Henry Loebsock acknowledging check for \$30, 23 Feb 1922

To Rev. John Braun explaining the CSVRS was not aware of the drive in Norfolk, 23 Feb 1922

To Henry Hein expressing pleasure to hear of the drive planned for in Hastings with offer to provide help, 23 Feb 1922

To Frank Page requesting acknowledgment of the \$15,000 draft sent 16 Feb, 28 Feb 1922

To Henry Hein saying some famine pictures had been mailed to Welt-Post and asking that any article representing the CSVRS first be read and approved by its board of directors (an article was sent by Rev. Wagner directly to the paper), 1 Mar 1922

To George Repp thanking him for the assistance provided to Rev. Wagner and for acknowledging funds sent by the CSVRS, 3 Mar 1922

To Irving Lee, ARA, saying their acknowledgment of last draft said \$1,500 and should have said \$15,000, 3 Mar 1922

To Fred Ganshorn sending a receipt book and asking that his father send another contribution (“it will do more good here and now than hereafter”), 6 Mar 1922

To Editor, World’s Work, returning the pictures of the Russian famine sufferers, 3 Mar 1922

To Max Geisler acknowledging receipt of \$100 contribution, 3 Mar 1922

To Ed Koutney explaining why his parcel package was returned by the postal department, explaining a safer way to send funds via CSVRS/ARA and that there is no safe way to send clothing right now, 3 Mar 1922

To Rev. HF Ahrens sending copies of Welt-Post articles to explain the work of the CSVRS, 3 Mar 1922

To Rev. LA Moser explaining that no one can send seed from America, 3 Mar 1922

To Robert Lich saying his letters from the Old Country will be forwarded to Welt-Post to be published there, 3 Mar 1922

To Henry Hein thanking him for the courtesies given to Wekesser and others during a recent visit to Hastings NE, 6 Mar 1922

To Henry Stroh thanking him for courtesies given to Wekesser and others during the recent visit to Grand Island NE, 6 Mar 1922

To WF Urbach asking that he give enclosed letters to “men of influence” and ask that the letters be presented to the mayor of Denver, Denver Chamber of Commerce and the governor of CO presenting the desire for a fund drive in Denver and asking for their endorsement, 8 Mar 1922, multi-page

To Edgar Rickard describing draft for \$10,000 included with the letter. There has been a problem in Balzer in which persons have food drafts but are unable to obtain food – assistance is requested, 14 Mar 1922

To California Post expressing thanks for the space given to the work of CSVRS, 16 Mar 1922

To Frank Page requesting acknowledgment of \$10,000 draft on 15 March, 16 Mar 1922, multi-page

To Alex Ganshorn describing how to contribute money to ARA or CSVRS for a colony, 16 Mar 1922

To WF Urbach asking again for help to obtain endorsements from CO governor and mayor of Denver, 22 Mar 1922

To Henry Hein asking if persons from Hastings could help with the planned drive in Denver, 22 Mar 1922

To Rev. John Erbas, Bayard NE, asking if he is really working to help the CSVRS, 23 Mar 1922

To Peter Kaiser about visit by John Klein and HJ Amen to Alliance, 23 Mar 1922

To George Carey, Omaha Chamber of Commerce, about interaction with Omaha NE, 25 Mar 1922

To Rev. CE Cobbey about the planned Omaha fund drive, 29 Mar 1922

To Northrup Letter Duplicating Company about printing 20,000 copies of a circular, 29 Mar 1922

To Rev. AH Braun about the misinformation of expense costs for the American Red Cross and the ARA, 30 Mar 1911, multi-page

To Rev. Braun about visit by Stroh to Norfolk NE and commending the ARA work in Russia, 30 Mar 1922

To B. Ostermiller saying food drafts are now going through to Russia, 31 Mar 1922

To Dakota Freie Presse sending a copy of report from Rev. Wagner in Russia, 31 Mar 1922

To C. Schneider thanking Otis KS for reception given Adolph Lebsock during his recent visit, 31 Mar 1922

To Edgar Rickard apologizing for any embarrassment the CSVRS may have caused or be causing ARA and discussing the requested distribution of serum for typhus, 2 April 1922

Night letter to Edgar Rickard asking if ARA has adequate supplies, 3 April 1922

To Val Peters acknowledging \$10 contribution and thanking Omaha Tribune for their aid, 3 April 1922

To Henry Haubens, Nebraska Branch American Relief Fund treasurer, acknowledge contribution of \$20.50, 3 Apr 1922

To Val Peters confirming \$25 contribution from Peter Melchior was received, 3 Apr 1922

To Dr. Emil Reichstadt with thanks for his recent gift, 3 Apr 1922

To Dr. H. Von Schulte with thanks for the endorsement of his committee in Omaha NE, 4 Apr 1922

To CN Mohrlang, Cheyenne Wyoming (4 April 1922) from HP Wekesser. Page 2 letter (2 April 1922) (page 1 of 3) Mohrlang to Wekesser (German)

Letter page 2 & 3 of 3 (4 April 1922) from CN Mohrlang, Cheyenne Wyoming (German).

To Mr Schmoeller, Schmoeller & Mueller Piano Co, with thanks for being a sponsor for drive in Omaha, 4 Apr 1922

To Edgar Rickard with concerns that ARA reports of adequate supplies exist in Russia are hampering additional drive efforts in the central states, 7 Apr 1922, multi-page

To Thomas Byrne with thanks for support of drive in Omaha, 7 Apr 1922

To Rev. EH Jenks, First Presbyterian Church, with thanks for support of drive in Omaha, 7 Apr 1922

To Dr. Clyde Cissell with thanks for support of drive in Omaha, 7 Apr 1922

To Rev CE Cobbey, First Christian Church, about probable misinformation in ARA reports that adequate supplies exist in Russia, 7 Apr 1922

To WF Urbach asking again for his support to get endorsements from the Denver mayor and the CO governor, 7 Apr 1922

To Dr. Harold Gifford about probable misinformation in ARA reports that adequate supplies exist in Russia, 13 Apr 1922

To George Bastron with confirmation the Grand Island NE \$1,350 contribution had been received and explaining the Omaha drive was not very successful, 13 Apr 1922

To Rev. John Schleuning concerning the CSVRS board's decision a final settlement has been achieved for his services to the organization, 14 Apr 1922

To Mr. Deerley (same letter sent to Fred Hunter, Omaha Bee; Evan Gaddis, Omaha Daily News and WA Ellis, Omaha Chamber of Commerce) about probable misinformation in ARA reports that adequate supplies exist in Russia, 15 Apr 1922

To Val Peters that Rev. Kuehne's motion was tabled indefinitely and a request that he attempt to influence the National Lutheran Council (NLC) to inform their workers they are working under, or through, the ARA and that the NLC is not more important than the ARA, 23 Apr 1922

To WF Urbach stating future drive efforts are curtailed as a result of statements by Mr. Hoover, former governor Goodrich and Colonel Haskell of the ARA that the peak of the famine has passed, 23 Apr 1922

To WF Urbach repeating the plan to discontinue CSVRS work among the American people, 24 Apr 1922

To Irving Lee, ARA, explaining that CSVRS cannot prevent related organizations from sending donations directly to ARA, 15 May 1922

To Frank Page asking how clothing that reaches Moscow via the Quakers might be transported to Saratov area by ARA, 15 May 1922, multi-page

To Frank Page sending copy of Wagner's reports and complementing ARA for work in getting food drafts to the famine area, 25 May 1922

To Frank Page asking if CSVRS may send a replacement for Rev. Wagner (who is returning to America) to assist in transporting clothing from Quakers facility in Moscow to the Saratov region, 3 Jun 1922

To Anna Dudley, American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), explaining CSVRS plans to send clothing to their warehouse in Philadelphia for their shipment to Moscow, 12 Jun 1922

To John Miller explaining the clothing distribution and transportation plan that has been formulated with the Quakers, 13 Jun 1922

To B. Ostermiller explaining it is now possible to send clothing to the Volga region, 16 Jun 1922

To Henry Stroh explaining that now clothing is needed and can be sent to the Volga region and that food supplies are adequate, 16 Jun 1922

To Frank Page about report of preaching by Rev. Wagner and that Jacob Volz is proposed to be a replacement for Wagner, 18 Jun 1922, multi-page

To Col. Harry Drummond with instructions about where clothing is to be shipped, 23 Jun 1922

To Miss Anna Dudley, AFSC, explaining plans for shipment of clothing by CSVRS, 30 Jun 1922

To B. Ostermiller describing clothing needs and how to ship them, 31 Jun 1922

Acknowledgment to Geo Schleiger for clothing to be sent to Georg Kindsvater with list of clothing provided, list date is 30 Jun 1922, multi-page

To American Railway Express with shipping instructions for clothing bundles, 3 Jul 1922

To Karl Fritz with instructions for how to ship clothing, 3 Jul 1922

To Miss Anna Dudley with introduction of Jacob Volz, (no date but sometime in July)

To John Miller explaining Jacob Volz is replacing Rev. Walker, instruction about shipment of clothing, agreement about forming a general organization for the relief effort and a reference to an “un-American” attack on Dr. Wekesser/CSVRS in the California Post, 6 Jul 1922

To Rev. John Roth, Fresno CA, explaining the attack in the California Post is incorrect and the Fresno people are not considered ignorant, 6 Jul 1922

To Miss Ann Dudley clarifying the clothing transportation issues and exploring options to get the bundles from Moscow to Saratov, 12 Jul 1922

To HO Eckhardt acknowledging his draft for \$39.46 to be used for clothing, 13 Jul 1922

To JJ Stroh about the expected visit by Mr. Repp and asking for help to explore options if the ARA departs Russia in September, 6 Aug 1922

To John Miller about the reception for Mr. Repp and again indicating support for forming a national relief organization, 8 Aug 1922

To JJ Stroh enclosing a check for \$1,500, 10 Aug 1922

To Edgar Rickard with thanks of the news the ARA will transport CSVRS clothing from New York to Saratov for no charge, 12 Aug 1922

To Jacob Volz wishing him a safe trip to Russia and asking for a rapid report about the need for additional clothing or if there are adequate supplies, 14 Aug 1922

Night letter to JJ Stroh – “rearrange with Quakers and ship according to first plan.”, 15 Aug 1922

To George Repp, ARA, inviting him to stop in Lincoln on his way to Portland when he returns from Russia, 16 Aug 1922

To Miss Anna Dudley explaining the ARA has agreed to ship CSVRS clothing to Saratov and the Quakers will not need to be concerned with the shipment. Letter also thanks the Quakers for their previous offer to help with an offer to pay for any expenses they have incurred, 12 Aug 1922

To JJ Stroh and Jacob Volz about the planned Repp visit and discussed the recent letter in Welt-Post by Mr. Lorenz that money be collected and used to purchase clothing in Germany. His motion for that was tabled. Letter asks that such a plan be discussed with the ARA as current position is against that idea, 12 Aug 1922

To Jacob Wagner, in England, explaining the plan change with ARA shipping the clothing, 30 Aug 1922

To FC Page explaining the Volz understands he is to obey the instructions of his ARA superiors, 31 Aug 1922

To Conrad Kermann, Dakota Freie Presse, stating that the Dakota Freie Presse will receive the same material sent to Welt-Post by CSVRS but know that minutes of the CSVRS director meetings being sent by Mr. Lorenz, the secretary, to Welt-Post without authorization of the directors, 2 Sept 1922

Night letter to Frank Page asking when Repp will be in Lincoln, 8 Sept 1922

Hand written note on Dr. Wekesser prescription pad paper to Geo. Repp (probably for a telegram or night letter), 10 Sept 1922, multi-page

To Henry Hein discussing planned visit by Repp, the shipment of clothing and that “starvation has been stopped”, 11 Sept 1922

To Rev. PJ Wagner inviting his parishioners to come to Lincoln and attend the Repp presentation, 11 Sept 1922

To John Isheim explaining there are no plans to send additional clothing until Mr. Volz sends a report about conditions in Russia, 13 Sept 1922

To George Wacker describing the plans for the visit by Repp, 13 Sept 1922

To John Miller describing visit by Repp but a CSVRS representative will not be attending his reception in Portland, 19 Sept 1922

To Frank Page describing visit by Repp and requesting assistance for the two Volz women with children now at Ellis Island, 20 Sept 1922, multi-page

To Val Peters discussing the resignation of Mr. Lorenz from the secretary position of CSVRS, 22 Sept 1922

To C. Kornmann discussing the resignation of Mr. Lorenz because he could not dictate the policies of CSVRS, 22 Sept 1922

To B. Ostermiller describing the reception given Mr. and Mrs. Repp and explaining the Welt-Post description of the reception was inadequate due to the resignation of Mr. Lorenz, 26 Sept 1922

To Frank Page sending some resolutions passed by the board of directors and asking if Rev. Wagner was still in Saratov, 26 Sept 1922

To John Mezger asking for Rev. Boscker’s address, 30 Sept 1922

To Frank Page thanking ARA for the assistance with the Volz persons at Ellis Island, 2 Oct 1922

To Karl Fritz sending numerous refund money orders for several persons with no explanation – possibly for expenses of clothing that had been lost or misplaced, no explanation in the letter, 2 Oct 1922

To Henry Engel about report in Dakota Freie Presse that some workers in Russia are not fulfilling their obligations. Volz has been asked to investigate and report on his findings, 4 Oct 1922

Night letter to John Miller about meeting in Lincoln, 6 Oct 1922

Night letter to Rev. J. Amend about Miller suggests meeting in Lincoln Nov 3, 4 and 5 to form national organization, 6 Oct 1922

Night letter to ARA that two Foltz (Volz) women with children arrived in Lincoln this morning, 9 Oct 1922

Night letter (handwritten copy) to Jno. Miller agreeing to Nov 3, 4 and 5 meeting in Lincoln, 11 Oct 1922

To Henry Hein sending copies of letter and ad for the Nov organization meeting and noting the attack by Mr. Lorenz in the current issue of the Welt-Post, 12 Oct 1922

To Konrad Kormann sending copies of letter and ad for the Nov organization meeting and describing the distortion by Mr. Lorenz in the Welt-Post attack on the officers of CSVRS. “...it seems that he is trying to arouse the antagonies (sic) of the Empire-Germans”, he is “...distorting and trying to create an impression that reflects on the officers of the society”, 13 Oct 1922

To John Miller describing the plans for the Nov meeting with a PS about the Lorenz attack in the Welt-Post, 14 Oct 1922

To Rev. John Roth sending copies of letter and ad for the Nov organization meeting, 18 Oct 1922

- To Val Peters describing motion by board to defer action on the Lorenz attack until Peters can attend their meeting. Also describes a personal attack letter sent by Lorenz to Wekesser, 17 Oct 1922
- To Konrad Kornmann sending copies of letter and ad for the Nov organization meeting with request to send copies of the issue with the ad to the persons identified in page two of the letter, 18 Oct 1922, multi-page
- To American Friends Service Committee sending a check for \$177.79 which is the balance due to them, 18 Oct 1922
- To Conrad Kornmann requesting that the ad be published in display form instead of how it was published, 20 Oct 1922
- To John Miller discussing the exchange of circulars for the Nov meeting, 23 Oct 1922
- To Val Peters explaining Mr. Lorenz had been invited to meet with the directors but said he was right and had nothing to discuss. Comments that additional attacks are expected and they are viewed as an attempt to hinder the work of CSVRS, 26 Oct 1922
- To Rev. G. Marquardt hoping Friend NE will be well represented at the Nov meeting, 26 Oct 1922
- To AA Friesen explaining the CSVRS is only sending clothing to the Volga region. If the clothing is intended for another region, a letter should be sent to the ARA, 26 Oct 1922
- To FC Page with invitation to the Nov meeting and commenting on the letter sent to the NLC that discussed sending clothing to individuals – even though ARA has told CSVRS that is not possible, 28 Oct 1922
- To B. Ostermiller that Rev. Wagner will not arrive in America in time to attend the meeting being requested but they are encouraged to meet him at the pier so he can tell his story directly to them, 28 Oct 1922
- To Rev. Wagner with an apology for the delay and sending a personal check to settle the bill due him, 30 Oct 1922
- To Frank Page explaining that a national organization was formed during the Nov meeting and is called the American Volga Relief Society (AVRS). Collecting money for clothing and using the ARA clothing drafts will begin immediately, 6 Nov 1922
- To Mrs. F. Kaltenbach explaining the new plans for safely sending clothing via the AVRS, 7 Nov 1922
- To B. Ostermiller explaining that a national organization was formed during the Nov meeting and is called the American Volga Relief Society and apologizing that Rev. Wagner was unable to attend their meeting, 7 Nov 1922
- To Frank Page asking that 3,000 clothing drafts be sent soon. Some clothing has been sent by persons for distribution to the villages and assistance from the ARA is requested to implement that, 13 Nov 1922
- To Val Peters asking that the plates for the famine area pictures that appeared in the Welt-Post several weeks ago be sent to the California Vorwartz. Mr. Lorenz said Wekesser was to write to Peters directly. Any charges associated with this request will be paid, 14 Nov 1922
- To Karl Fritz discussing the question of will the clothing be delivered duty free or is there a 6,000,000 ruble per 100 pound fee (less than \$0.25 per 100 pounds). Latest word from ARA is the exchange rate is 25,000,000 rubles for one dollar. Mr. Stroh is investigating the matter, 14 Nov 1922
- To Rev. JH Ament sending Rev. Wagner's itinerary and asking if arrangements have been made with the sugar company, 15 Nov 1922



- To California Post asking why “we cannot work together” and a request that if materials are sent to the paper that they be published in their entirety and not a paragraph at a time with attacks in a large amount of space, 16 Nov 1922
- To California Forward discussing their request for plates of material that appeared in Welt-Post, 16 Nov 1922
- To Frank Page with draft for \$2,000 to be credited to Jacob Volz and made available in the form of food drafts, 16 Nov 1922
- To Val Peters, Tribune Publishing Co., complaining that Mr. Lorenz omitted 1/3 of the material sent and asking if future material should be sent directly to Omaha, 16 Nov 1922
- To Rev. Zorn acknowledging cashier’s check for \$60.62 and clothing remittance blanks will be mailed soon, 22 Nov 1922
- To Rev. Moser explaining the clothing drafts are expected to be mailed directly to him and that Rev. Wagner will be able to visit all the communities that wish him to visit, 23 Nov 1922
- To Frank Page waiting for resolution of the clothing drafts and asking for an explanation of the privileges given to the National Lutheran Council to send clothing to colonies and to understand the article about the same published in the California Post (copy included in letter to Page). A copy of an article sent to several newspapers in defense of the attacks by California Post was also sent to Page, 28 Nov 1922
- To John Miller stating ARA has declined permission to collect clothing for a particular colony but ARA allows other organizations the privilege, 28 Nov 1922
- To Fred Grosskopf, Longmont Colorado (2 December 1922) from HP Wekesser about clothing Remittance forms
- To George Repp explaining the CSVRS has been dissolved and ARA is being asked for permission to collect clothing for individual colonies, 6 Dec 1922
- To Rev. HJ Ament explaining the CSVRS has been dissolved but arrangements have not yet been made with ARA to send clothing to individual colonies, 6 Dec 1922, multi-page
- To Rev. HP Wagner (from Secretary CJ Stroh due to the death of Dr. Wekesser) acknowledging contribution, 28 Dec 1922

**Collection 1; Series I**

**Subseries C: Jan 1923 – through Dec 1923, organized by originator and then chronologically**

Box 1, Folder 3

**- from John Rohrig, Vice-President**

- Telegram to John Wagner requesting inventory and value of clothing sent, 17 Jan 1923
- Hand written note to Rev JE Schatz to acknowledge contribution from Mr. & Mrs. J Lakyn(?), 24 Oct 1923
- To Mrs. L. Virbel with instructions about shipping clothing to Germany, 11 Dec 1923

**- from CJ Schmidt, Secretary**

- To Mrs. Jacob Volz with enclosed \$100 monthly check and mention of death of Dr. Wekesser, 4 Jan 1923
- To Nick Thalheimer with instructions about how to send clothing to Russia, 10 Jan 1923
- To William Thiel acknowledging contribution of \$34.14, 16 Jan 1923

To Rev. JP Wagner sending Russian address for Jacob Volz, 24 Jan 1923

To Jacob Weinmeister explaining it is not possible to send clothing to individuals but only to villages, 27 Jan 1923

To Nick Tahlheimer explaining AVRS cannot send clothing to individuals but only to villages – postal packages can be sent but no guarantee they will be received as intended, 30 Jan 1923

Telegram to W. Gordon Brown, ARA, advising about bales of clothing shipped 3 Feb, 6 Feb 1923

To Philip Trebelhorn that shipment date of next clothing to Russia depends on contributions, 9 Feb 1923

To Conrad Urich explaining ARA has informed AVRS the last shipment of clothing to Russia sails 5 March 1923, 19 Feb 1923

To Jacob Volz with letter from Rev. CH Reppert, Stony Plain, Alberta, Canada, to be given to Rev Wacker of colony Norka, 29 Mar 1923

To Jacob Volz about two letters each containing \$80 for confirmation children being sent to him, 2 Apr 1923

To Jacob Volz about funds being sent (letter 2) for confirmation children – confusing sentences describing total amount of \$260, 2 Apr 1923

To Jacob Volz about \$100 being sent (letter 3) for confirmation children, 2 Apr 1923

Form letter in two packets with address list, sent 16, 17 and 23 Apr 1923

To Geo. Wiederspahn with advice about how to send money to relatives in Russia, 14 May 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz about request for Rev. Volz to return from Russia, 16 May 1923

To Henry Weizel discussing clothing sent by Weizel that apparently was lost, 23 May 1923

To John Weitzel with the address for colony Frank and advice about how to send money to relatives in Russia, 23 May 1923

To Conrad Wagner with advice about how to send money to relatives in Russia, 23 May 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz discussing the planned return of Rev. Volz the first part of September, 28 May 1923

To Jacob Volz with a letter from HF Schuman to be forwarded to address on envelope, 28 May 1923

To Conrad Wagner acknowledging \$10 to be sent to Johannes Wagner, Frank, house # 232, 29 May 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz with monthly payment of \$100, 9 June 1923

To FE Wilbur explaining that clothing is no longer being sent because AVRS is withdrawing from Russia but money can be sent to individuals if sent soon – sending clothing through the mail is not advised, 9 Jun 1923

To Jacob Volz about delivery from the \$1000.00 to listed persons in Frank, Norka, Moor, Beideck, Dobrinka, 12 Jun 1923

To Jacob Volz about delivery from the \$1000.00 to listed persons in Dietel, 16 Jun 1923

To JJ Stebbins with receipt for \$10 that is to be sent to friends in Russia, 13 Jun 1923

To Theo. Strobel with receipt for \$6.25 for the General Fund, 20 Jun 1923

To Jacob Volz about delivery of \$15.00 to Balth. P. Strauch of Talofka from John Schneider, 22 June 1923, multi-page

To Jacob Volz about delivery of funds to Schwager Whilhelm Hohmann of Neu Norka and Henry Ketcher and brother in Kutter, 25 Jun 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz with monthly payment of \$100, 2 Jul 1923

To David Volz returning \$10 draft sent 27 Mar which Jacob Volz was unable to cash, 9 Jul 1923  
To Mrs. Jacob Volz informing her that Rev. Volz left Moscow on 26 June, 17 Jul 1923  
To Henry Zeiler with receipt for \$1.00 contribution for the General Fund, 19 Jul 1923  
To Mrs. Jacob Volz with monthly payment of \$100 and news that Rev. Volz sails 3 August on the Orbita, 1 Aug 1923  
To Peter Zwenger sending letter given to Rev. Volz by his relatives in Russia, 17 Aug 1923  
To Chris Weigant discussing clothing to be sent to Germany, 12 Nov 1923

- **from HJ Amen, President**

To Rev J. Wagner with check for traveling expenses from 20 November 1922 to 15 December 1922, 24 Jan 1923 (signed by American Volga Relief Society but believed to be from JH Amen)  
To Jacob Volz about delivery requested to Peter Georg of Beideck, son of Peter Georg of Lincoln, 28 May 1923  
To Conrad Walter coordinating tour dates for Rev. Volz, 20 Sept 1923  
To Jacob Volz discussing additional meetings being planned for him, 25 Sept 1923  
To Jacob Volz discussing additional meetings being planned for him, 26 Sept 1923  
To Jacob Volz discussing additional meetings being planned for him, 27 Sept 1923  
To Jacob Volz asking that he respond to an enclosed letter received from John Doubert, Leader Saskatchewan, Canada, 22 Sept 1923  
To Jacob Volz discussing his recent success in Montana, 2 Oct 1923  
To Gottfried Stricker returning \$35 check intended for his brother and father due to inadequate information, and provide advice about how to get clothing to colonies in Russia (can only send money to be used to purchase items), 5 Oct 1923  
To Jacob Volz discussing plans for Fresno and Idaho visits, 8 Oct 1923  
To Alex Schwarzkopf about the \$468 provided for colony Rosenberg, 10 Oct 1923  
To Mrs. Carrie Schiff with advice how to provide clothing to be shipped to Germany, 12 Oct 1923, multi-page  
To Rev. Wm. Strauch about visit to Fort Collins CO by Jacob Volz, 12 Oct 1923  
To Jacob Volz about success in Washington state and plans for follow on visits, 15 Oct 1923  
To Jacob Wacker thanking him for reception given to Jacob Volz during Washington visits and saying Mrs. Amen will be a representative at the Hastings NE WCTU convention, 15 Oct 1923  
To Rev. Wm. Strauch stating Jacob Volz will be in Fort Collins October 21, 19 Oct 1923  
To Rev. DG Schurr detailing Jacob Volz's meeting schedule and asking that meetings be organized for Windsor, Berthoud and Longmont, 19 Oct 1923  
To Rev. HG Zorn explaining an invitation for Jacob Volz's visit has not been received and what needs to be done, 20 Oct 1923  
To Rev. Wm. Strauch thanking him for the invitation for Jacob Volz visit on 28 October, 22 Oct 1923  
To Jacob Volz outlining the visit itinerary that has been planned, 22 Oct 1923  
To Rev. F. Sattler discussing the Jacob Volz visit in McCook NE, 29 Oct 1923  
To Jacob Volz discussing additional visits that have been arranged, 29 Oct 1923  
To Carl Wolff about clothing he wishes to ship to Germany, 30 Oct 1923  
To HA Teckhaus about clothing he wishes to ship to Germany, 31 Oct 1923  
To Jacob Volz about other visit options, 1 Nov 1923

To Rev. F. Sattler thanking him for support to Jacob Volz during recent visit and also about the 400 pairs of shoes offered by a dealer in McCook NE for \$0.50 per pair, 7 Nov 1923

To John Stenzil, Windson, Colorado, with letters from people in the Volga region and asking him to deliver the letters to the intended family, plus telling him about opportunity to send clothing to Germany, 7 Nov 1923

To Rev. Herman Wunderlich, Otis, Kansas, with letters from people in the Volga region and asking him to deliver the letters to the intended family, 7 Nov 1923

To John Strohecker announcing visit by Jacob Volz to Sutton NE on 14 November, 8 Nov 1923

To Henry Stroh about visit by Jacob Volz to Grand Island NE on 18 November, 8 Nov 1923

To Jacob Volz with details of November visits in Nebraska, 8 Nov 1923

To Jacob Volz explaining 110 bales of clothing have been assembled for the shipment to Germany with delivery expected "before Christmas.", 15 Nov 1923

To Henry Volz Sr explaining the personal package included with the bales of clothing from Walla Walla WA will be shipped to Germany with the clothing shipment but there is no guarantee it can or will be delivered, 15 Nov 1923

To Rev. G. Schultz (might be Schulz) stating clothing has been received and is packed for shipment, 15 Nov 1923

To United American Line, Chicago IL, stating the AVRS representative to accompany the clothing being shipped to Germany is Rev. Richard Kuehne of Lincoln NE, 23 Nov 1923

To Editor of Welt Post asking an announcement be included in the Omaha Tribune and Welt Post that Rev. Richard Kuehne will accompany the clothing shipment to Germany, 26 Nov 1923

To United American Line explaining it is too late to issue a ticket in Lincoln for Rev. Kuehne and asking that they issue the ticket and send the bill to AVRS, 30 Nov 1923

To United American Line – letter of introduction for Rev. Richard Kuehne, 30 Nov 1923

To United American Line sending \$200.00 for the Rev. Kuehne New York/Hamburg round trip ticket fare and thanking them for their assistance, 4 Dec 1923

To Will Stiller explaining the clothing shipment has left Lincoln for Germany and it is unknown when another shipment will occur because it depend on the amount of new contributions received, 6 Dec 1923

To Rev. K Stahl acknowledging the \$25 contribution from the "Kreus Gemeinde" in Fresno CA for the benefit of people in Russia, 11 Dec 1923

To Gottfried Socolofsky apologizing for the late acknowledgment of the clothing sent for Germany. Letter explains 130 bales, 25,000 pounds, were shipped from New York on 6 December. Distribution of clothing will be performed by Rev. Richard Kuehne under the auspices of the German Red Cross, 12 Dec 1923

To Rev. JE Schatz explaining Superintendent Obenhaus will not be able to serve Ebenezer Church on Christmas, but Rev. Soul will, 19 Dec 1923

- **from JJ Stroh, Treasurer**

to ME Smith & Co with payment fo goods purchased 31 January 1922, 2 Feb 1923

To Mrs. D. Wnerschmidt with thanks for the \$300 contribution, 10 Feb 1923

To Carl York with thanks for the \$2.50 contribution, 19 Feb 1923

To Carl York with thanks for the \$10.00 contribution, 23 Feb 1923

To Rev. Herman Wunderlich with thanks for the \$30.00 contribution, 3 Mar 1923

To Gottfried Wasemiller with thanks for the \$11.31 contribution from Lehigh KS, 3 Mar 1923

To Jacob Volz asking that he investigate the missing 14 pairs of shoes in the clothing bundle intended for John Niederhaus of Huck Russia as sent by his brother John Niederhaus of Lincoln, 21 Mar 1923

To Jacob Volz asking that he investigate the absence of bundle 850 shipped to AA Luft of Saratov Russia as reported by Alex Lekei of Lincoln, 22 Mar 1923, multi-page

To Jacob Volz asking that he correct the error of giving Johannes Wagenleitner bundle 755 which was to be given to Johannes Dippel of Jakerde, Bulani, with a PS to investigate such claims to verify they are true, 23 Mar 1923

To Jacob Volz asking that he investigate the report from Philip Niederhaus, Lincoln, that bundle 825 sent by Niederhaus to John Wilhelm Fabrick of Saratov is lost, 23 Mar 1923

To Jacob Volz with list of 49 bundles shipped in March and not included in the first shipment, 26 Mar 1923

To Peter Spahn with thanks for the \$30.84 contribution, 31 Mar 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz with monthly payment of \$100, 4 Apr 1923

To Jacob Volz with list of persons receiving settlement for lost clothing bundles, 6 Apr 1923

To Jacob Volz asking that he investigate the absence of bundle 440 shipped to Henry Walter of Frank as reported by Henry Walter, 6 Apr 1923

To Jacob Volz asking that he investigate if Phillip Frickel and George Phillip Weber, both of colony Kautz, received their \$10.00 food draft sent by George Frickel, 17 May 1923

To CJ Scheideman with instructions about how to get clothing sent to Mr. Fox by Mr. Roth, reported not to be delivered, can be delivered to Mr. Fox, 18 May 1923

To Jacob Volz asking that he investigate the absence of bundle 113 shipped to Friedrich Fox of Hussenback as reported by John Roth, 18 May 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz asking that she sign and return the receipts for the monthly payments sent her, 22 May 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz inviting her to meet with AVRS and Jacob Volz in Omaha, 13 Aug 1923

To Rev. HG Zorn acknowledging contribution of \$25.00 and discussing lost clothing bundle shipped to Mr. Koehler, 6 Sept 1923

To Mrs. Walter returning her contribution of \$10 intended for Mary Georg, Beideck house #83 (\$7.00) , Mary Georg (daughter), Beideck house #83 (\$2.00) and Amalea Tripbelhorn, Beideck (\$1.00), because the ARA and Jacob Volz left Russia before the funds could be distributed, 11 Sept 1923

To Valley Bank, Biola CA, requesting the name of person who obtained draft #10 for \$20.00 on 23 December 1922, 12 Sept 1923

To United American Line with checks to be given to Pastor Friedrich Badelacmingh, Bethel bei Bielefeld, Germany and Pastor R. Kindler, Stadtaiasianz-Bekretaer, Berlin SF 61, Germany, 27 Sept 1923

To Mrs. Jacob Volz with monthly payment of \$100, 4 Oct 1923

To Rev. FW Schlitzkus about the clothing Mr. Fritzler sent to Russia for his relatives, 10 Oct 1923

To Jacob Volz with papers to be signed before a Notary Republic, 11 Oct 1923

To United American Line with check to be paid to Säuglingsheim, Kaulbachstrasse 56, Lankwitz, Germany, 11 Oct 1923

To Rev. FW Schlitzkus again discussing the clothing Mr. Fritzler sent to Russia for his relatives, 15 Oct 1923

To Rev. FW Schlitzkus for final disposition of the issue of the lost clothing sent by Mr. Fritzler, 20 Oct 1923

To Gottfried F. Uttecht with thanks for the \$1.00 contribution, 20 Oct 1923

To Rev. HG Zorn with a repeat request for information of clothing bundle sent to his sister, 22 Oct 1923

To United American Line with \$250 check to be given to the German Red Cross, Hauptgeschäftsstelle, des Deutsch. Roten Kreuzes, Bln, Charlottenburg, Berliner Str. Cicilienhaus, 26 Oct 1923

To Rev. JE Schtz with acknowledgment of \$5.00 contribution from Mr. and Mrs. J. Lahm, 29 Oct 1923

To Mrs. Lena Steihauer with thanks for the \$2.00 contribution, 29 Oct 1923

To Rev. HG Zorn discussing difficulty of verifying a 24 pound clothing bundle for his sister was received, 30 Oct 1923

To John Zimmerer with thanks for the \$5.00 contribution, 2 Nov 1923

To Rev. Wm. Strauch with thanks for the \$32.15 contribution, 7 Nov 1923

To Peter Spahn with thanks for the \$19.22 contribution, 7 Nov 1923

To Rev. Chr. Szidat with thanks for the clothing and \$5.00 money order for shipping costs to Germany, 7 Nov 1923

To Rev. HG Zorn with \$28 refund for clothing that was not delivered to the designated person, 7 Nov 1923

Night letter to Mr. Schmidt about clothing being shipped for Germany, 8 Nov 1923

To Mr. Schmidt asking for date of sailing out of New York for clothing being shipped to Germany, 9 Nov 1923

To United American Line about clothing being shipped from Lincoln on 19 or 20 November, 14 Nov 1923

To ACE Schmidt about the arrangements for the clothing shipment to Germany, 15 Nov 1923

To GM Bush explaining the clothing shipment cannot be shipped by way of New Orleans, 15 Nov 1923

To John Wagner with thanks for \$5.00 to help cover freight charges for shipment to Germany, 16 Nov 1923

To Rev. HJ Stroh, Alpena South Dakota, with thanks for \$20.00 donation, 17 Nov 1923

To Rev. TL Steiger with thanks for \$2.50 to help cover freight charges for shipment to Germany, 19 Nov 1923

To Conrad Wagner explaining the AVRS is no longer able to ship clothing to Russia and includes information about how money can be shipped to Russia, 19 Nov 1923

To AW Vernon with thanks for clothing to be shipped to Germany, part of the 20,000 pound shipment to leave New York for Germany on 6 December, 19 Nov 1923

To John Wunder with refund of \$20.00 for money that was to be forwarded to Louisa Wunder, Moor Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 21 Nov 1923

To Ludwig Sauer with refund of \$5.00 for money that was to be forwarded to Wilhelm Hohmann, Neu Norka Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 21 Nov 1923

- To Rev. John Strohecker with thanks to congregation for donation of \$32.50, 21 Nov 1923
- To JJ Stebbins with refund of \$10.00 for money that was to be forwarded to your relative in Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 21 Nov 1923
- To D. Strackbeine with refund of \$38.00 for part of the money that was to be forwarded to your friends Russia. Unable to deliver all the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 21 Nov 1923
- To Rev. A. Suffa with receipt of Rev. Marquardt, 21 Nov 1923
- To United American Lines describing first clothing shipment sent for consignment to German Red Cross, 22 Nov 1923
- To Fred Schneider with refund of \$20.00 for money that was to be forwarded to Carl Schneider and Robert Legler, Dobrinka Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 22 Nov 1923
- To Henry Stroh with refund of \$10.00 for money that was to be forwarded to Konrad Lockhardt, Frank Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 22 Nov 1923
- To Geo. Wagner with refund of \$10.00 for money that was to be forwarded to Conrad Urich and Mutter Jacob Urich, Frank Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 22 Nov 1923
- To George Schreiner Jr. with refund of \$10.00 for money that was to be forwarded to Jakob David Reuter, Kautz Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 22 Nov 1923
- To John Schneider with refund of \$15.00 for money that was to be forwarded to Balth. P. Strauch, Saratov Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 22 Nov 1923
- To Conrad Wagner with refund of \$10.00 for money that was to be forwarded to John Wagner, Frank Russia. Unable to deliver the funds because ARA discontinued its service before money could be delivered. If there is still a desire for the money to be resent, endorse and return the check with full address of the party who is to receive the money, 22 Nov 1923
- To Henry Sitzman confirming the \$13.00 sent previously was delivered to father George Sitzman, 26 Nov 1923
- To CJ Scheidemann with thanks to the McCook Branch Society for donation of \$18.29, 3 Dec 1923
- To Jacob Volz with enclosed \$15 payment and request for description of the charges, 3 Dec 1923

To Wm. C. Weller thanking the Berthoud congregations for donation of \$20.86, 3 Dec 1923  
To Jacob Volz concerning bundle 486 instead of 485 that was supposed to be given to George Kindsfater of Asinov, 3 Dec 1923  
To Henry Schneider with \$15 refund for funds intended to be delivered to your father, 6 Dec 1923  
To HP Weber with thanks to the Fort Morgan CO Society for \$22.48 donation, 19 Dec 1923  
To Henry Schmidt Sr with thanks to the First German Congregational Church of Loveland for their contribution, 20 Dec 1923  
To John Stenzil with thanks to the German Congregational Church of Windsor for the \$18.00 donation, 20 Dec 1923  
To Rev. G. Graff with thanks for the donation from his congregation, 20 Dec 1923  
To Andreas Wasmuth, Fort Huron Michigan, forwarding a letter written by his relatives in Russia, 21 Dec 1923  
To Jacob Volz with thank you for \$21 donation, 31 Dec 1923

**Collection 1; Series I**

**Subseries D: Jan 1924 – through Dec 1924, organized by originator and then chronologically**

Box 1, Folder 4

- **from HJ Amen, President**

Invitation letter informing persons about national convention in Portland 11-15 June 1924, 21 May 1924

*[Note: Collection 1, Series II, Sub-Series A is in Box 3]*

**Collection 1; Series II: Correspondence, American Volga Relief Society Office.**

**Divided into three sub-series, arranged chronologically:**

**Subseries B: Correspondence sent from the ARA to the CSRS/AVRS**

Box 2, Folder 1, 1921 Correspondence

From CF Reavis that Secretary Hoover will meet with Wekesser and Stroh Tuesday afternoon, 25 Aug 1921

From Mrs. Lena Nowka explaining she could use clothing not shipped to Russia, 4 Sept 1921, multi-page

Telegram from John Miller (two pages) congratulating Lincoln relief efforts, 13 Sept 1921

From Henry Hein describing committee formed in Hastings NE is undecided which (Portland or Lincoln) to align with, 17 Sept 1921, multi-page

From Jacob Klein inviting CSVRS to attend their bazaar on 30 September, 21 Sept 1921

From Henry Hein that Hastings committee will work with CSVRS – clipping from Hastings newspaper included that describes their latest meeting, 23 Sept 1921, multi-page

From Cousin John, Denver CO, describing presentations by Portland representative and Rev. Wagner (for CSVRS) at Congregation Church. The meeting was in favor of Portland but the church John belongs to favors support to CSVRS, 25 Sept 1921

From Cousins John and Lydia that their church wants instructions about how to send money and clothes and wants to work with CSVRS. John's message about Rev. Wagner was incorrect "he never got here", 26 Sept 1921, multi-page



From Henry Hein that no one from Hastings is a candidate to go to Russia but ask for instructions of how to send money, 28 Sept 1921

From Volz Motor Co, Hildreth NE, with check for \$10.00, signed Jonathan Volz Jr., 29 Sept 1921

From Omaha Daily Tribune saying support will be provided to CSVRS but ask that CSVRS submit an article to both the Tribune and Welt-Post "stating further the facts" so the Tribune does not show preference to Rev. Maul of the German-Lutheran synod, 30 Sept 1921

From Henry Hein saying their treasurer has mailed a check for \$2,049.00, 6 Oct 1921

Telegram from John Miller asking that Lincoln join with the Portland VRS organization, 7 Oct 1921

From G. Walters encouraging Lincoln CSVRS join with the Portland VRS, 7 Oct 1921

From cousins Lydia and John, about Hastings church sending money to National Lutheran Council, 9 Oct 1921

From Rev. M. Stricker, Denver CO, that his congregation works through the National Lutheran Council, 10 Oct 1921

From ARA acknowledging check for \$15,500.00 and explaining that the Portland funds are only guaranteed to be used to feed children in the Volga region and ARA is anxious there be no overlapping in fund collection efforts and that there will be no friction between the different committees, 11 Oct 1921, multi-page

From Henry Hein again affirming support for CSVRS, 12 Oct 1921

From G. Walters with communication from ARA agreeing CSVRS does not have to join with Portland as long as the two "do not overlap and create friction" and approval is given to raise funds in Nebraska while working under the ARA, 12 Oct 1921, multi-page

From Peter Jansen recommending CSVRS consider using the Friend's committee for Russian aid, 13 Oct 1921

From Portland VRS explaining the ARA food draft program that is almost ready to begin which will allow for food funds to be sent to an individual family in a designated colony, 26 Oct 1921

From Portland VRS with copy of report from Russia describing conditions that indicates food need is urgent now and haste is encouraged, 29 Oct 1921

Page one of an apparent translation of a report from Portland VRS, 31 Oct 1921

From FA Lorenz while traveling to meetings, wanting to receive news from Dr. Wekesser, 2 Nov 1921

From cousins John and Lila, Denver CO, about money from Ladies Aid for relief, 3 Nov 1921

Telegram from FA Lorenz to Wekesser "arriving Marion five in the morning, answer here", 4 Nov 1921

From Portland VRS with ARA report that significant food ready to be delivered to Schilling and Rounne with a list of other villages that will also be receiving food on the Wiesenseite and Bergseite. Also includes information for those wishing to bring a relative from Russia to America, 5 Nov 1921, multi-page

From Henry Hein to certify that Rev. AH Braun will represent Hastings at the Tuesday meeting to select a second man for relief work in Russia, 7 Nov 1921

From Henry Hein explaining that Rev. AH Braun will represent Hastings at the Tuesday meeting to select a second man for relief work in Russia, 7 Nov 1921

Telegram from John Miller/Portland VRS referring to Welt-Post article that Pastor Schmidt is working contrary to instructions received from ARA and hopes this is a mistake and not intentional to conflict with VRS, 7 Nov 1921

From Omaha Daily Tribune with two checks for Volga Relief Association from Phillip Hergenreder and Heinrich Hergenreder, 14 Nov 1921  
From Henry Hein received letter explaining Rev. Ballensky has accepted position for Russia relief work and this is satisfactory, 23 Nov 1921  
From Omaha Daily Tribune with check from H. Loxterkamp of Petersburg, NE, 25 Nov 1921  
From HP Lorenz to Mr. Rohrig explaining Mrs. Hubbard now in charge of receipt book, no date (in Nov 1921 correspondence)  
From John Miller/VRS expressing support for Rev. Ballensky and urging continued cooperation between VRS and CSVRS, 13 Dec 1921, multi-page  
From Henry Hein referring to copy of letters received from VRS/Mr. Repp in Russia that describe the poor conditions, 16 Dec 1921  
From Henry Hein explaining time does not allow for Rev. Wagner to meet with them but if he is accepted by ARA urge that he travels to Russia quickly, 27 Dec 1921

## **Collection 1; Series II**

### **Subseries B: Correspondence sent to the AVRS regarding various aspects of the relief operation, arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 2: 1922 correspondence

From Omaha Daily Tribune/Val Peter with \$15.00 check from Carl Rohde of Columbus NE, 8 Jan 1922  
From WF Urbach answering questions related to candidate for position in Russia, 7 Jan 1922  
From Henry Klein/Klein Brothers, Norfolk NE, asking if corn can be shipped to Russia, 10 Jan 1922  
From Frank Page/ARA with remaining question about Rev. Jacob Wagner as acceptable candidate for position in Russia because he is a recent citizen of Russia, 14 Jan 1922  
From WF Urbach acknowledging the selection of Rev. Wagner for Russia, 16 Jan 1922  
From Henry Hein requesting additional food draft blank forms, 17 Jan 1922  
From ARA sending copies of signed acknowledgments of receipt of food packages in Russia, 18 Jan 1922  
From Rev. Louis A. Moser asking questions about CSVRS and sending clothing to Russia, 25 Jan 1922  
From Val Peter discussing Wekesser's objection to recent Welt-Post issue, 26 Jan 1922  
From Wilbur Thomas/AFSC explaining Friends' plan regarding corn and flour, 31 Jan 1922  
From John Hague with \$3.00 for shipment of clothing to New York 31 Jan 1922 (date on letter is 1921 but is an error)  
From The World's Work about the request for copies of pictures, 4 Feb 1922  
From WF Urbach explaining he is unable to assist with activity in Denver, 6 Feb 1922  
From AFSC with instructions and conditions for clothing accepted from CSVRS for shipment to Russia, 7 Feb 1922  
From AFSC with copies of requested photographs, 7 Feb 1922  
From Rev. Louis A. Moser asking if corn can be shipped to Russia, 8 Feb 1922  
From The World's Work granting use of requested pictures with credit given to Paxton Hibben, 8 Feb 1922

From AFSC an appeal for support of their work in the Buzuluk Coyzed region not being served by the ARA, 14 Feb 1922, multi-page

Postcard from Rev. OK Helsel, Sterling CO, asking for more copies of blank food drafts, 18 Feb 1922

From Henry Hein discussing errors in recent issue of Welt-Post, 22 Feb 1922

From Henry Loebsock asking for additional food draft blanks and urging a drive in Grand Island, 22 Feb 1922

From Lich Pharmacy/Fresno CA/Robt. Lich with letter from Russia, 25 Feb 1922

From Rev. Louis A Moser asking how Henry Miller may send seed grain to his brother in Norka, 27 Feb 1922, multi-page

From William T. Cope discussing recent illness and lack of replacement for NE Friend representative, 27 Feb 1922, multi-page

From Val Peter with \$100.00 check from Max Geisler, Omaha, 28 Feb 1922

From Henry Hein with newspaper clipping about drive success in Hastings, 2 Mar 1922

From Jacob Engel that Friend NE loaded two cars (2,200 bushels) of corn to be shipped to Russia, 2 Mar 1922

From cousins Alex & Sara Ganshorn about recent letter from Russia, 5 Mar 1922, multi-page

From HH Hein about \$2,562.16 raised in Hastings NE drive and including copy of news article, 8 Mar 1922, multi-page

From AFSC with thanks about CSVRS interest in Friends relief work in Europe, 8 Mar 1922

From HH Hein asking for additional blank food draft forms and he read the letters from Russia to church members, 12 Mar 1922

From WF Urbach encouraging a Denver effort and says he will help make contact with influential men, 20 Mar 1922

From Val Peter with check for \$100.00 from Dr. Emil Reichstadt of Omaha, 20 Mar 1922

From Frank Page/ARA crediting CSVRS with \$100,000 but don't know how to send clothing remittances to Russia and seed cannot be delivered to individuals or localities with the current Soviet agreements, 20 Mar 1922, multi-page

From Val Peter with total of \$10.00 from HH Meyer, Wymore, and Mary Detlef, Glenwood IA, 21 Mar 1922

From Henry Hein with report of activities in Hastings, 21 Mar 1922

Postcard from Rev. Louis A Moser requesting more copies of the blank food drafts, 22 Mar 1922

From HH Hein stating persons in Hastings cannot afford to travel to make presentations like Lincoln can, 23 Mar 1922

From Val Peter with \$6.00 from Mrs. H. Brant, Omaha, and Hartwig Alpers, Scotia NE, 23 Mar 1922

From Rev. AH Braun a (long six page) letter with suggestions of ways to improve the distribution of food to Russia and quoting several incorrect expense figures for ARA, 25 Mar 1922

From California Post pledging support for Rev. Wagner and the CSVRS, 27 Mar 1922

From Omaha Chamber of Commerce, on their letterhead, endorsing the plan to raise money in Omaha, 31 Mar 1922

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From Mrs. Henry Hoff, Pierce NE, asking how to use the food drafts, 3 Apr 1922, multi-page

From Rev. Charles E. Cobbey sending letter he received from Chicago branch of American Committee for Russian Famine Relief who are organizing in Iowa, 3 Apr 1922, multi-page

From Omaha Chamber of Commerce, on their letterhead, endorsing the plan to raise money in Omaha, 5 Apr 1922

From City of Omaha Board of Public Welfare stating they do not provide endorsements but have no objections to the work of the CSVRS in Omaha, 5 Apr 1922

From HPLannz (? , Larinz?, Launz?) expressing concern about ability to raise funds in Omaha, 5 Apr 1922, multi-page

Telegram from ARA refers to funds for “tractors (tracts?) of statistical questionnaires”, 6 Apr 1922, multi-page

Envelope from Concrete Engineering Company, Omaha National Bank Building, addressed to John Rohrig, 6 Apr 1922

From H. von W. Schulte expressing support for the Omaha endorsement and questions the article in paper, 6 Apr 1922

From Peters National Bank thanking CSVRS for opening an account, 8 Apr 1922

From Northrup Letter Duplicating Company with copies of work performed and statement for services, 8 Apr 1922, multi-page

From Rev. Charles E. Cobbey apologizing for not doing more for CSVRS in Omaha, 10 Apr 1922

From WF Urbach who has been unsuccessful in contacting the Mayor or Governor but has an “influential” friend that he will ask for assistance in the matter, 10 Apr 1922, multi-page

From Val Peter with copies of misleading reports about Russia published in the New York Times and the Omaha Daily News, 15 Apr 1922, multi-page

Telegram from ? (probably ARA) reprimanding CSVRS for erroneous letters being published, 17 Apr 1922

From H Broers (?) offering to work in Russia for only expenses during the summer, 12 Apr 1922

From WF Urbach with ideas of how CSVRS can contact the Mayor and Governor, also tells of recent drive by Salvation Army in Denver, 21 Apr 1922

Telegram from FA Lorence/Lorenze saying 100 card and 100 buttons should be shipped to Jacob Lebsack, 24 Apr 1922

From Val Peter describing plans to leave for Europe and thanks Wekesser for talking with Mr. Joyce so adopting Rev. Koehne’s motion is not necessary, 24 Apr 1922

From AFSC explaining they have no representatives or facilities in Saratov and they work only in Samara. If CSVRS will take care of clothing shipments from their store room in Moscow an arrangement can be worked out, 9 May 1922

From AFSC waiting for ARA reply to CSVRS inquiry about an agreement with AFSC. The shipping cost is \$1.28 per 100 pounds as far as Reval and additional fees are unknown, 22 May 1922

From ARA that it is impossible for them to consider a clothing remittance program and ask for copies of Rev. Wagner’s letters. Second page includes a note from Dr. Wekesser, 22 May 1922, multi-page

Copy of ARA report from Russia – food is being delivered with some delays. Figures for % of sales by month included in report, 31 May 1922

Information from Russia about clothing needs received (probably Quaker office) in Philadelphia, no date but with 31 May ARA report in file

From John Miller/VRS congratulating CSVRS about plans for clothing shipments and asking Wekesser thoughts about a general conference of out "German Russian people.", 16 Jun 1922

From AFSC about plans for CSVRS to ship clothing to New York and suggesting investigating free rail service from west to Chicago, 17 Jun 1922

From Kearney Military Academy/Harry Drummond sending newspaper clipping describing clothing shipment plans and asking for address so they may participate, 21 Jun 1922

From Karl Fritz asking when the next shipment of clothing to Russia will occur, 1 Jul 1922

From Fredrick Fritz acknowledge receipt for clothing and \$8.00 for freight charges, 3 Jul 1922

From AFSC discussing the first of the clothing being received in their store room, 6 Jul 1922

From John Niederhaus acknowledge receipt for clothing and \$4.00 for freight charges with list of clothing sent, 3 Jul 1922, multi-page

Telegram from ARA that shipping arrangements have not yet been made, 22 Jul 1922

From AFSC that shipping arrangements have not yet been made, 25 Jul 1922

Telegram from AFSC asking that original bills of lading for shipment of two cars of clothing be sent, 26 Jul 1922

Telegram from AFSC that two cars of clothing have arrived and representative should be sent at once, 31 Jul 1922

Telegram from JJ Stroh that cars are not yet unloaded, 4 Aug 1922

From AFSC that Mr. Volz has not yet arrived and the car loads of clothing have been unloaded. They have no representative to accompany the shipment from Moscow to Saratov, 4 Aug 1922

From Henry Herber, Chicago IL, about clothing and fund and funds for shipping to Heinrich Christ Schmit Ringels in colony Nidepmonschn (?) with list of clothing sent, 8 Aug 1922

Telegram from JJ Stroh asking for \$1,500.00 by special delivery mail, 9 Aug 1922

Telegram from JJ Stroh that clothing leaves New York on 20 August direct to Petesyral, 10 Aug 1922

From John Miller/VRS asking again for Wekesser thoughts on forming a national organization, 11 Aug 1922

Telegram from JJ Stroh – ARA will be in Russia another year, baled last clothing and bundles are not opened there, 14 Aug 1922

From Rev. Johannes Block explaining the Rock Island "people" in Topeka have a great interest in the work of CSVRS, 16 Aug 1922

From Mrs. B. Ostermiller/Hilfs-Verein der WolgaDeutschen referring to August meeting with Stroh and Volz, no date, multi-page

From Henry Ritter – five lists of clothing for separate parcels being sent to Henry Ritter Stack, colony Krasnojar Nemezri; Conrad Beck Feldser, colony Krasnojar Nemezri; Friedrich Christ Funck, colony Krasnojar Nemezri, Friedrich Petrow Beck, colony Krasnojar Nemezri and Friedrich Adamow Beck, colony, 19 Aug 1922, multi-page

From Conrad Kornmann/Dakota Freie Presse ensuring support for CSVRS but advising to be careful in dealing with Lorenz who will "hog thing" in the interest of his boss Val Peter, 7 Sept 1922

Telegram from Repp that will be in Lincoln 17<sup>th</sup> and ask that meetings be arranged for Culberson and McCook, 10 Sept 1922

Telegram from Repp arriving in Omaha on 15, 14 Sept 1922

Telegram from JH Ament asking if Repp can be in Greeley on 19 or 21 because Fort Collins too distant, 16 Sept 1922

Cablegram from ARA, signed Wagner, that Volz arrived safely, 22 Sept 1922

From Val Peter/Omaha Daily Tribune discussing Lorenz resignation as secretary for CSVRS but Lorenz has been instructed the former cooperation between CSVRS and the paper “must be maintained”, 23 Sept 1922

From John Miller sorry that CSVRS unable to sent representative to Portland for Repp reception, 23 Sept 1922

From John Miller – three handwritten notes to Wekesser, no dates, multi-page

Copy of Volga Relief Society newsletter with report from Geo. Repp, 3 Oct 1922

Telegram page 1 from John Miller with request that CSVRS decide about meeting to form national organization, 4 Oct 1922

Telegram page 2 from John Miller with request that CSVRS decide about meeting to form national organization, 4 Oct 1922

Telegram page 3 from John Miller with request that CSVRS decide about meeting to form national organization, 4 Oct 1922

From Val Peter about discussion of hyphenism “which I do not quite understand”, 6 Nov 1922 with reply from Dr. Wekesser that “I am opposed to hyphens of any kind”, 10 Nov 1922, multi-page

Telegram from John Miller saying Lincoln most logical place for meeting and any dates are acceptable, 6 Oct 1922

Telegram from WF Urbach saying gladly consider going to Russia, 7 Nov 1922

Telegram from WF Urbach saying ‘have your instructions’, 7 Nov 1922

From WF Urbach with responses to questions asked by Wekesser, includes his biography, 7 Nov 1922

Telegram from WF Urbach saying special delivery letter given to Pullman porter in car 15, 8 Nov 1922

From John Miller saying Portland pleased that the organization conference will be held in Lincoln, 13 Oct 1922

From George Repp inviting Governor Goodrich to the meeting and suggests CSVRS does the same, 14 Oct 1922

From Dakota Freie Presse/Conrad Kornmann saying he plans to attend meeting then comments about Lorenz “a friend said He is tricky and full of prunes”, 15 Oct 1922, multi-page

From Henry Hein pleased to learn of the organization meeting and additional comments about Lorenz, 16 Oct 1922

From Canadian Mennonite Board of Colonization, Rosthern, Sask.Canada asking how they may participate in the clothing distribution to Russia, 17 Oct 1922

From Val Peter impossible to attend meeting but has told Lorenz of his displeasure and believe he should apologize, 18 Oct 1922

From John Miller with more about how he is telling the western states about the planned meeting, 19 Oct 1922, multi-page

From HP Wekesser to German Pilgrim Press (Der Kirchenbote) asking ad be used as soon as possible, 19 Oct 1922

From John Miller again praising idea of national society and looking forward to meeting Wekesser, 20 Oct 1922

From Val Peter with \$5.00 check from Fred Weber of Nebraska City, 23 Oct 1922

From John Miller with travel plan details for the meeting, 25 Oct 1922

From F. Brott asking for details about the meeting schedule, 25 Oct 1922 with response from Wekesser dated 26 Oct 1922, multi-page

From Val Peter that advertising for the meeting will cost nothing and that Peter will read all articles in Welt-Post to ensure Lorenz will not make another attack in a published issue, 27 Oct 1922

From Mrs. F. Kaltenbock asking for information on how to pack clothing for shipment to Russia, 27 Oct 1922

From California Forward asking to be paid for ads published last month, 15 Nov 1922

From Rev. Louis A. Moser asking that Rev. Wagner schedule a meeting in Harvard NE, 23 Nov 1922

From Henry Weidenbach asking for information about shipping clothes to Russia, no date with response from Wekesser dated 2 Dec 1922, multi-page

## **Collection 1; Series II**

### **Subseries B**

Box 2, Folder 3: 1923 Correspondence

From VRS in Ritzville WA with draft of \$34.14, 9 Jan 1923

From Mrs. Henry Warnke, Beulah ND, sending clothing where needed for the poor, 24 Jan 1923, multi-page

From Jacob Wieland, Delmont SD, sending clothing to be sent to Russia, 26 Jan 1923, multi-page

Postcard from Rev. LA Moses, Howard NE, 30 Jan 1923, multi-page

From Theo Strobel with Canadian bill of lading and Customs Canada paper for clothing being held by Canadian Customs waiting for information from AVRS, 30 Jan 1923, multi-page

From Philipp Tröbelhorn, Kermit ND, about clothing shipment to Russia, 1 Feb 1923, multi-page, German & English

From Nick Thalheimer, Toppenish WA, about clothing shipment to Russia, 2 Feb 1923

Telegram from C. Ruppel to GJ Schmidt asking if clothing should be shipped from Chicago, 25 Feb 1923

From Peter Spahn, Culbertson, NE, with \$30.84, 28 Mar 1923

From Frank Dolezal, Wahoo NE, with \$10 and many copies of forms clipped from newspapers to accompany other donations, 5 April 1923, multi-page

From CJ Scheideman asking AVRS investigate clothing shipped in June 1922 to persons in Russia but none has been received. Includes list of clothing sent to Friedrich Fox of Hussenbach from John Roth of McCook NE, 8 May 1923, multi-page

From Mrs. Jacob Volz explaining why monthly payment receipts had not been returned, 9 May 1923, multi-page

From Mrs. Jacob Volz explaining why she is requesting Rev. Volz return from Russia, 17 May 1923, multi-page

From Mrs. Jacob Volz – four signed monthly payment receipts, 22 May 1923

From JJ Stebbins with \$2.00 to be sent to “Mr. Volz in Russia” with address of Volz, 9 Jun 1923

From Mrs. FE Wilbur asking for information about how to send clothing to Russia, 12 Jun 1923

Telegram from JH Ament the 22 & 23 August are acceptable for the conference, 10 July 1923

From Frans Ericsson/National Lutheran Council to Rev. J. Wagner/Lincoln about his circular “Bitt-Gesuch”, 22 Aug 1923

From Pennsylvania System to ‘Jack’ Volz with refund of \$1.20 for one-way fare Chicago to New York, 11 Sept 1923

From George Wagenleitner acknowledging payment of \$32.50 for lost clothing, 17 Sept 1923

Copy of unsigned statement from George Wagenleitner about lost clothing, 17 Sept 1923

From Treasury Department to Jacob Volz (23 Aug 1923) with reply from CJ Schmidt, 28 Sept 1923, multi-page

From United American Lines to JJ Stroh sending \$200, 29 Sept 1923

From Mrs. Carrie Schiff asking how to send clothing to Russia, 8 Oct 1923, multi-page

Postcard from Carrie Schiff asking about sending clothing to Russia, 8 Oct 1923

From Theo Strobel, Leader Sask., about clothing being held by Customs waiting for letter from AVRS explaining contents, 17 Oct 1923

From Rev. FW Shlitzkus, Sterling CO, about missing receipt for Edward Fritzler, 19 Oct 1923

From AK Welborn that two sacks of clothing have been sent, 20 Oct 1923, multi-page

From Minnie & Clara Sothan, Kramer NE, about clothing to be sent to Germany, 22 Oct 1923

From Snyder Transfer & Storage Co, Alliance NE., with receipt of clothing to be sent to Germany, 27 Oct 1923, multi-page

From Mrs. Eggo Stohr, Woden Iowa, with receipt for clothing shipped, 27 Oct 1923, multi-page

From United American Lines with check for \$250.00 to be paid to the German Red Cross, 29 Oct 1923

From RR Weissmiller that to boxes of clothing to be sent for European relief with bill of lading, 31 Oct 1923, multi-page

From HG Zorn acknowledging receipt of repayment of \$25.00 for transportation costs, (in Oct 1923 correspondence)

From United American Lines about matters their Mr. Schmidt to discuss with the German Consul, 5 Nov 1923, multi-page

From Mrs. Conrad Wagner, Broadwater NE, asking how to send clothing to Russia, 5 Nov 1923

From P. Spahn with check for \$19.33 to aid Russian relief effort, 6 Nov 1923

From United American Lines with instructions about affidavits required from German Consul in Chicago, 6 Nov 1923

From GM Bush with quote for transportation cost \$1.20 per hundred pounds from New Orleans to Hamburg, 8 Nov 1923

From Mrs. G. Urbach about clothing being sent, 8 Nov 1923

From Mrs. John Wagner about clothing being sent with money for transportation, 8 Nov 1923

From United American Lines/New York asking for better information about amount of clothing to be shipped, 9 Nov 1923, multi-page

From United American Lines/Chicago asking when AVRS representative intends to travel, 13 Nov 1923

From United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation asking if AVRS will use their services for \$1.25 per hundred pounds shipped, 14 Nov 1923

From United American Lines/Chicago with details of ship departure dates, 17 Nov 1923

From United American Lines/Chicago about confusion of letters to different offices of the company "we do not find we wrote you on November 9 or any other recent date", 17 Nov 1923



From Rev. John Strohecker, Sutton NE, with collection made during Rev. Volz visit, 19 Nov 1923

From United American Lines about carload of clothing to be shipped on SS Thuringia to the German Red Cross, 26 Nov 1923

From United American Lines explaining that a concession for shipping rates could not be obtained, 26 Nov 1923

Day letter from CE Schmidt to HJ Amen about booking cabin for Rev. Kuehne at full rate, 26 Nov 1923

Receipt signed by (illegible) that clothing parcel that could not be delivered by Volz was returned, 27 Nov 1923

From CJ Scheideman with \$18.37 check for General fund and asking for copies of Volga district maps, 27 Nov 1923

From United American Lines responding to Night Letter dated 27 November, 28 Nov 1923

Telegram from United American Lines granting Rev. Kuehne 25% concession on round trip passage, 30 Nov 1923

From United American Lines with bill for Rev. Kuehne round trip ticket New York/Hamburg less 25%, 3 Dec 1923

From Jousef ? acknowledging full payment for merchandise shipped to Russia but is lost, 6 Dec 1923

From United American Lines confirming payment for Rev. Kuehne ticket is received, 7 Dec 1923

From Minnie Sothan, Kramer NE, asking if the second package of clothing was received because she has received no notice, 11 Dec 1923

Telegram from John Jaekel Jr. explaining shipping cost per cubic foot for food and shipper requires affidavit food is distributed for charity and recipient is not to sell the food, 13 Dec 1923

From Henry Sienors (?), Manning Iowa, that some clothes are being shipped to sent to Germany, 14 Dec 1923

From TOF Herzer will explain proposition to Directors individually that he meets in Lincoln, 16 Dec 1923

From John Stenzel with \$18.00 check for the General Fund, 17 Dec 1923

From Wm. Looz, Omaha NE, asking what can be sent for Volga relief, no date

**Collection 1; Series II:**

**Subseries A; Correspondence sent from the ARA to the CSRS/AVRS**

Box 3,

To Dr. Henry Wekesser with concern CSVRS feels it is not possible to work cooperatively with the VRS in Portland, 27 Sept 1921, multi-page

To Dr. Henry Wekesser (Wekesser) encouraging the Lincoln CSVRS, 13 Oct 1921, multi-page

To Wekesser sending copy of interesting reports received from famine area, 15 Oct 1921

To Wekesser enclosing copy of report on conditions and inspections of Volga area, 17 Oct 1921

To Wekesser confirming ARA will accept a representative from CSVRS on Colonel Haskell's staff in Russia and that CSVRS will work under the direction of ARA – continue to express concern of lack of cooperation of Lincoln and other Volga relief organizations including Portland, Chicago, Colorado and others, 31 Oct 1921, multi-page

To Wekesser enclosing ARA Bulletin #18 about Russia also discussion of Czecho-Slovakia, Hungary and Poland, 19 Nov 1921

To Wekesser acknowledging draft of \$7,000 with reference to Dr. Ballensky as the possible CSVRS representative, 23 Nov 1921, multi-page

To Wekesser describing a cable about 224 kitchens feeding 82,010 persons in Saratov area, 6 Dec 1921

To Wekesser acknowledging check for \$7,500 which brings the total Volga fund (from all organizations) to over \$110,000, 16 Dec 1921, multi-page with note about vote on Rev. Ballensky planned for 19 December

To Wekesser acknowledging Food Remittance from Mr. Kaltenberger for his son in Moscow, 22 Dec 1921

To CSVRS acknowledging two money orders, \$100 each, and a receipt will be sent to Philip Reifschneider, 23 Dec 1921

To Wekesser about concerns of sending Rev. Wagner because he is not a native born American or lived in America before becoming 21. Rev. Ballensky, while also not a native born American, is acceptable because of the length of his citizenship, 31 Dec 1921

Copy of letter to Col. Wm. N. Haskell – letter of introduction for Rev. Jacob Wagner, 16 Jan 1922

To Wekesser concerning check for \$500.00 from Jacob Wagner, 16 Jan 1922

To Wekesser, correcting 16 Jan 1922 letter – amount is \$5,000 and not \$500, 17 Jan 1922

To Wekesser that cannot identify Alexander Kaltenburger asking for address update, 27 Jan 1922

To Wekesser that Alexander Kaltenburger funds are being held; discusses other organizations working with the ARA and expresses concern for the continuing conflict with the Portland organization and the Lutherans, 3 Feb 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser discussing agreement with Soviet authorities and that over \$150,000 has been collected for Volga relief, 3 Feb 1922

To CSVRS acknowledging three Russian food remittance applications and two drafts for total of \$50.00, 6 Feb 1922

Copy of letter to ARA in Saratov Russia as letter of introduction for Rev. Jacob Wagner and explaining the plan for allocation of funds for feeding of children and adults, 7 Feb 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser with thanks for correspondence letters sent to two Senators and Congressman Reavis, 20 Feb 1922

Copy of letter for Volz addressed to District Supervisor of Saratov concerning distribution of funds to the mountain and plains side of the Volga with reference to letter 589 (copy included), 24 Feb 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser acknowledging draft for \$15,000, 3 Mar 1922

To Wekesser (Henry Veckesser) advising that Gottlieb Tamplon in Anton Balzer district is in urgent need of aid, 4 Mar 1922

To Wekesser (Henry Veckesser) advising that Jacob Decker in Anton Balzer district is in urgent need of aid, 4 Mar 1922

To Wekesser (Henry Veckesser) advising that Johannes Nazarenuss in Anton Balzer district is in urgent need of aid, 4 Mar 1922

To Wekesser (Henry Veckesser) advising that Friedrich Vechesser in Anton Balzer district is in urgent need of aid, 4 Mar 1922

To Wekesser (Henry Veckesser) advising that Heinrich Vechesser in Anton Balzer district is in urgent need of aid, 4 Mar 1922

To Wekesser (Henry Veckesser) advising that August Vechesser in Anton Balzer district is in urgent need of aid, 4 Mar 1922

To CSVRS stating the correct amount from CSVRS is \$15,000 and not \$1,500, 7 Mar 1922

To Rev. Jacob Volz forwarding FR letter 653 for information, 8 Mar 1922

To Wekesseer recommending CSVRS work with the Quakers for old clothing transportation and distribution. ARA not in favor of fund drives but will distribute any money collected. Concerned that CSVRS and National Lutheran Council cannot seem to “hitch”, clarification of the deduction taken from individual food drafts, and discussion of the overload of Russian rail transportation system hampering distribution of supplies, 15 Mar 1922, multi-page

To CSVRS acknowledging receipt of Food Remittance applications and \$20.00 check for them, 12 Mar 1922

To Wekesser stating that CSVRS can be credited with at least \$100,000 raised including the \$10,000 received today and that the food remittance program is working well. No way known that clothing remittances can be sent to Russia and no known way that American persons can contribute to seed to be distributed among the colonies, 20 Mar 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser stating the sale order for the \$10,000 food purchase has gone through, 23 Mar 1922

Telegram to CSVRS (?) stating ARA does not approve of the tactics utilized by your organization belittling other ARA cooperating organizations and is embarrassing to ARA, 17 April 1922

ARA message stating one car, contents 70 bales old clothing, has left, 7 May 1922

To Wekesser explaining ability to deliver food to some villages is hampered by failure of rail transportation, the spring thaw, ice breakup in the Baltic and the semi-strike of railroad workers but without the ARA there would be no food being distributed, 11 May 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser again stating it is impossible for ARA to handle clothing remittances and clothing packages in any way. Problems continue to exist with the food remittances, which are going well but sometimes slowly, caused by difficulties placed in way by Soviet government but these are being worked on, 22 May 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser with thanks for sharing Rev. Wagner’s letters and stating food remittance deliveries have improved, 2 Jun 1922

To Wekesser acknowledging receipt of \$700.00 and the amount has been credited to Rev. Jacob Wagner, 3 Jun 1922

Telegram to Wekesser responding to his letter dated 3 June, 5 Jun 1922

To Wekesser with criticism that Rev. Wagner is preaching which is strictly against the agreement with the Soviet government. Again explain that ARA does not plan to implement clothing remittances or clothing distribution although ARA is assisting the Quakers and Lutherans in their work to do the same, 6 June 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser with enclosed copy of a cable which “is very interesting.”, 6 June 1922

Copy of cable referred to in 6 Jun 1922 letter: American relief effort only one in process; rail transportation problems being overcome by using Volga River, multi-page

Telegram to Wekesser that Omaha paper article stating clothing collected will be distributed by ARA is not true and ARA will not undertake to aid in such distribution, 6 Jul 1922

To Wekesser again explaining the ARA position they will not undertake clothing distribution to individuals but do provide assistance to organizations (e.g. Quakers, Lutherans, Baptists, and so on) for transportation and for general distribution. Understand the CSVRS plan to work with Quakers for shipment and general distribution of clothing, 12 Jul 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser about the CSVRS plan to send clothing through the American Friends. No new information regarding charging of duty by the Soviet Government on this clothing, 18 Jul 1922

To Wekesser that ARA Moscow headquarters are asking the Soviet Government about the question of duty on the gift clothing packages, 21 July 1922

To Wekesser reporting Soviet Government says "all freight sent addressed to foreign relief organizations for distribution among the population without payment is exempt from customs", 22 Jul 1922

Telegram to Wekesser saying "Volz right man.", 22 Jul 1922

To Volga Relief Society confirming \$7,000 in food remittances has completed delivery, 31 Jul 1922

To CSVRS confirming \$7,600 in food remittances has completed delivery, 31 Jul 1922

To Wekesser confirming \$5,000 in food remittances has completed delivery, 5 Aug 1922

To CSVRS confirming \$10,000 in food remittances has completed delivery, 5 Aug 1922

To JJ Stroh, VP CSVRS, describing process and instructions for transporting used clothing to Volga and Samara districts via ARA, 7 Aug 1922

Telegram to Wekesser confirming used clothing being transported can only be for general distribution and cannot be sent to individuals, 14 Aug 1922

To Wekesser discussing problems caused by Rev. Wagner, primarily his preaching. Letter includes copy of report from district supervisor in Saratov who definitely wants Wagner removed from position, 22 Aug 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser advising Mr. Repp will visit Lincoln for discussion – copy of cablegram with Repp itinerary included, 2 Sept 1922, multi-page

To Wekesser advising that Volz has arrived in London and is on way to Moscow, 6 Sept 1922

Telegram to Wekesser that Repp arrived in New York, 9 Sept 1922

Telegram to Wekesser asking that Repp inform ARA and Goodrich if Foltz family has arrived – they landed New York on 3 September from the White Star liner Cedric, 18 Sept 1922

Telegram to Wekesser saying Yokel must submit affidavit stating he will accept Foltz family and be financially responsible for them, 27 Sept 1922

To Wekesser with thanks for "the resolution adopted by the CSVRS" and that ARA will continue to help the Volga people in every way they can, 29 Sept 1922

Cablegram to Wekesser reading "collect clothing for general distribution, Volz", 3 Oct 1922

To Wekesser describing efforts by Governor Goodrich working to obtain release of Foltz family from Ellis Island, 6 Oct 1922

Telegram to Wekesser that Foltz family left New York tonight on Burlington and will arrive from Chicago in Lincoln Sunday night or Monday morning, 6 Oct 1922

To Wekesser that Frank Page is unable to attend meeting in Lincoln. Again repeats that clothing bundles can only be for general distribution and not for individuals. Clothing remittance program is not yet possible. Money also cannot be accepted

- due to instability in Russia. "Rouble in the last six weeks has jumped from five to 20 million per dollar", 30 Oct 1922, multi-page
- To Wekesser advising to soon expect announcement about clothing remittance program, 3 Nov 1922
- Cablegram to Wekesser that Wagner expects to arrive Sunday, 4 Nov 1922
- To Volga Relief Society explaining that clothing remittance program has been established. \$9,000,000 worth of food from America has been brought into Russia, 10 Nov 1922
- To Wekesser with reference to comments by Rev. Wagner about ARA and some of its workers, 10 Nov 1922, multi-page
- To Wekesser complaining about pre-release "leak" of the clothing remittance program by Dakota Freie Presse before the agreed to release date – with translation of the article, 24 Nov 1922, multi-page
- To Wekesser that another \$2,000 for food in Russia is being sent to Jacob Volz as bulk sale #561, 25 Nov 1922

**Collection 1; Series II:**

**Subseries C; Correspondence sent to the AVRS from Germany**

Box 3

- Handwritten note "Pastor F. von Dodel Schwingh, Bethel. bei Bielefeld, Germany, 'address for the \$5.00 on check'", no date

**Collection 1; Series III, Jacob Volz. Series contains letters from Jacob Volz arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 1

- To Dr. Wekesser (Wekesser), four postcards, 4, 8, 18 and 18 Aug 1922
- To Wekesser two postcards, 14 and 18 Aug 1922
- To Wekesser, postcard from Philadelphia about bales for Beideck, Anton, Kutter , date unknown because of condition of card
- Copy of correspondence from ARA in Volz correspondence files, dated 12 Jan 1923
- To JJ Stroh, receipt for \$100, 7 Sept 1923
- To HJ Amen acknowledge \$150.00 for expenses, 21 Sept 1923
- To HJ Amen postcard from Odessa WA, 8 Oct 1923
- To JJ Stroh to acknowledge \$100.00 for September, 10 Oct 1923
- To HJ Amen letter from Fresno CA, 20 Oct 1923
- To HJ Amen postcard from Fresno CA, 22 Oct 1923
- To HJ Amen postcard from Denver CO, 31 Oct 1923
- To HJ Amen submitting expenses, 26 Nov 1923
- To HJ Amen submitting expenses, 27 Nov 1923
- Receipt to CSVRS for \$43.00 received for expenses, 27 Nov 1923
- To JJ Stroh about statement attributed to him concerning distribution of clothing in Norka, 1 Dec 1923
- To JJ Stroh that Schneider is due refund for money planned to be delivered to Strauch in Beideck, 3 Dec 1923, multi-page
- To JJ Stroh about bundle 486 and refund is appropriate, 4 Dec 1923

**Collection 1; Series III, Jacob Volz. Series contains letters from Jacob Volz arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 2

- To Dr. Wekesser (Wekesser) a report from Russia, including comment that Frank Page (ARA) says it is OK to preach as long as nothing is said about the Soviet Government, 17 Jan 1922
- To Wekesser report from Russia, 13 Feb 1922
- To Wekesser report of conditions on mountain and plains side of Volga, 22 July 1922
- To Wekesser requesting payment for expenses, 19 Oct 1922, multi-page
- To ? listing of collection in Nebraska and Colorado, Nov and Dec probably 1923, multi-page
- To JJ Stroh postcard describing Oklahoma work and collections, 5 Nov 1923
- Postcard from Okeene OK about meetings, 5 Nov 1923

**Collection 1; Series IV, Correspondence, Rev. Jacob Wagner. Series contains reports and letters from Rev. Wagner arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 1

- Report from Rev. Wagner, 17 Jan 1922
- Report from Rev. Wagner, 13 Feb 1922
- To Dr. Wekesser asking for payment of expenses for preaching at Salem Church, 19 Oct 1922
- Report from Rev. Wagner, 22 Jul 1922
- Report from Rev. Wagner, 25 Sept 1922
- List of contributions and expenses in Nebraska and Colorado from 20 November to 3 December
- To AVRS about meeting in Herington with plans for future meetings, 22 Feb 1923
- To AVRS about meetings in Strassburg and Marion, 23 Feb 1923
- To JJ Stroh with \$82.61 from Strassburg and Marion meetings, 26 Feb 1923
- To HJ Amen with postal money order for \$17.00 from Port Huron, Michigan, 15 Sept 1923
- To JJ Stroh with \$97.78 from Durham, Tampa, and Ramona KS meetings, 28 Feb 1923, multi-page
- To JJ Stroh with \$44.20 from Sugar City and Rocky Ford CO. \$38.22 received in Weatherford OK, 3 Mar 1923, multi-page
- To JJ Stroh with \$103.82 from Garden City KS, Weatherford and Manitou OK. Now in Okeene, 5 Mar 1923

**Collection 1; Series V, Description of bales of clothing shipped to colonies by AVRS: Series contains the bale number, village the bale is to go to and its weight - arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 1

- Bale numbers and weights for colonies, 22 Feb 1923, multi-page
- Bale numbers and weights for colonies, 26 Mar 1923

**Collection 1; Series VI, Portland VRS Financial and other correspondence, arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 1

- To Dr. HJ Wekesser describing intent to work cooperatively with Lincoln organization, 17 Sept 1921
- To ? describing Portland VRS financial statement, 22 Sept 1921

To Portland Board of Directors from John Miller with report of organization of chapter associated with the Portland Volga Relief Society, including Chicago. ARA reports that clothing cannot be shipped at this time, 24 Sept 1921

To Portland Board of Directors donation acknowledgment from ARA and checks and cash received, 13 Oct 1921, mutipage

To ? (probably to VRS chapters) sheets 3 & 4 of money contributed to Portland VRS with closing comments by President John Miller, no date, multi-page

**Collection 1; Series VII, Lincoln & Russia AVRS Financial data & various bills, arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 1

Appears to be listing of contributors and contributions with amounts for a report, no specific date. Page 1 of 8

Appears to be listing of contributors and contributions with amounts for a report, no specific date. Page 2 & 3 of 8

Appears to be listing of contributors and contributions with amounts for a report, no specific date. Page 4 & 5 of 8

Appears to be listing of contributors and contributions with amounts for a report, no specific date. Page 6 & 7 of 8

Appears to be listing of contributors and contributions with amounts for a report, no specific date. Page 8 of 8

CSVRS \$15,500 funds received and planned distribution, 11 Oct 1921

Central National Bank of Lincoln bank statements, Nov 1922->Dec 1923, multi-page

Assorted bills

- Handwritten accounting of income and expense from Omaha, 4->10 April 1922
- From John Morrell & Co, 25 Feb 1922
- From California Forward, 25 Oct 1922
- From California Forward, 13 Nov 1922
- From American Electric Company, 14 Nov 1922
- From Joh Goldstein, 3 Jan 1923
- From JK Hiltner, florist, 8 Jan 1923
- From Conrad Hock for 35 shoes, 27 Feb 1923
- From ARA for cable, 12 July 1923
- From Geo ..thers Printing, 14 Aug 1923
- From Lincoln Stamp & Seal Co, 14 Aug 1923
- From Lincoln Stamp & Seal Co, 14 Aug 1923
- Receipt from Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, 20 Aug 1923
- Receipt from State Journal Company, 26 Sept 1923
- CB Keller for flowers, 5 Oct 1923
- CJ Mosher Typewriter Company, 1 Nov 1923
- From Geo. Strasheim Hardware Co, 12 Nov 1923
- From Adolph Lebsack JR for cloth and ?, 2 Feb 1924

Listing of source of funds and villages (and amounts) of food drafts to be distributed, 21 Jan 1922, multi-page

Listing of donations for food drafts including donor name and address and the recipient, no date

Bale number and parcel numbers for clothing shipment by ME Smith & Co, no date (maybe Jan 1923), multi-page

Receipt from Gottfried Greenwald for money refunded for clothing packages that did not reach destination in Russia, 3 Feb 1923

Three receipts for registered articles 1348, 1349 and 1350, 2 Apr 1923

Listing of donations for food drafts including donor name and address and the recipient, no date

Financial statement of CSVRS from Dr. Wekesser, 25 Mar 1922

Handwritten list of Omaha donations, 4 Apr 1922

Receipt from Berlin Germany, 4 Apr 1922

Bank and Check Book for Peters National Bank Omaha NE, Apr 1922

CSVRS Moscow financial report, 26 June 1923

Final statement of CSVRS, Jacob Volz representative, 26 June 1923

Receipt for funds from JJ Stroh, 14 Sept 1923

### **Collection 1; Series VIII, Railway bills**

Box 3, Folder 1

American Railway Express Company, 22 Oct 1923

Chicago and North Western Railway Company (two bills), 12 & 16 Nov 1923, multi-page

Northern Pacific Railway Company, 10 Nov 1923

Burlington Route (two bills), 12 & 19 Nov 1923, multi-page

Chicago and North Western Railway Company, 22 Nov 1923

Burlington Route (three bills), 7, 14 & 20 Nov 1923, multi-page

### **Collection 1; Series IX, Minutes of meetings or Press Releases, arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 1

Minutes of Central States Volga Relief Society organizing meeting 11 Sept 1921, multi-page

Information from American Red Cross and American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), no date, multi-page

Russian Famine Relief Information from AFSC, June 1922, multi-page

AFSC sixth annual report – bulletin #58, 1 June 1922-31 May 1923, multi-page

Diary of a Quaker Worker Among the 15 Million Starving People in Russia and cable from the Russian Famine Area of Buzuluk, 28 Jan ??, multi-page

Information for Helpers in Clothing Campaign of AFSC, no date, multi-page

### **Collection 1; Series X, Newspaper articles, arranged chronologically (if possible)**

Box 3, Folder 1

From Hasting NE (with Henry Hein correspondence), Feb 1922 (two articles)

American Relief Train Enters Volga District, 14 Sept 1922

### **Collection 1; Series XI, Policies**

Box 3, Folder 1

A Statement of CSVRS Policy, no date

Regarding the man you should pick...., no date (perhaps when choosing the replacement for Rev. Wagner)

Section IV Membership of ARA Constitution (adopted 21 March 1925)

### **Collection 1; Series XII, CVRS/AVRS Odds & Ends – items that are in the files with no obvious topics**

Box 3, Folder 1

Price brochures from Royal Mail steamship line (multi-page)

Handwritten note of lost 14 pairs shoes for Johannes Niederhaus of Huck sent by Georg Neiderhaus



Envelope addressed to John Rorig, 335 S 8<sup>th</sup> St., Lincoln Nebr frm Rev Theo C  
Strobel, Box 155, Leader, Sask, Canada  
Handwritten note with address for colony Balzer, written in Russian script  
Envelope addressed to Dr. HP Wekesser, Orpheum Bldg, Lincoln Nebraska from  
American Friends Service Committee, 20 South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia Pa  
Return receipt for Registered Article addressed to Edgar Rickard of ARA, 11 Oct  
1921  
On Dr. Wekesser prescription blank, handwritten Karl Fritz, 5122 Strong St.,  
Jefferson Park, Chicago Ill, no date  
On Dr. Wekesser prescription blank, handwritten Rev. Jenks; Rev. Clyde Day,  
Cissell; #320 City National Bank, M.D. Cameron, Peters Trust, Omaha Nebr, 7  
April 1922  
Handwritten note – “Jno Horst, 652 Worland Ave, Chicago, \$6.00”, no date  
Return receipt for registered mail from Midwest Savings & Loan Association, 27 Aug  
1923

**Collection 1; Series XIII, Correspondence in German script and text. Arranged by  
year, then chronologically.**

Box 4, Folder 1, no date or no recognizable date  
From Rev. Hermann Wunderlich, 27 Feb 192?  
From Mrs. Henry Wenzil (?), Mitchell NE, 13 May ????  
From Mrs. Lena Steihauer, Flowering Well, Sask., 22 Oct ????  
From ?, 27 Oct ????  
From Wm. Weller, Lincoln NE, 10 Nov ????  
From HG Rusch , Okeene OK, ? Jul ????, with response from HP Wekesser dated  
7July 1922  
Newspaper clipping, no date, folded and larger than 11” in length  
From J. Eideheim, Mystic Conn, no date, multi-page  
From Henry Sitzmann, Loveland CO, no date, multi-page  
From ?, no date  
Inventory lists (two) of clothing parcels (849 and 850) to be sent to Russia, no date,  
multi-page  
From ARA/Russian Unit/Jacob Volz, no date, multi-page  
From ? Olinger (?), no date, multi-page  
From Jacob Wagner, no date, multi-page  
Advertisement for presentation by Rev. Jacob Wagner and Gustav Beschorner, no  
date  
From ? Weatherford OK, Nov 1922  
From Jacob Volz in Balzer, no date  
From Mrs. H. Stille, Fairvax, SD, no date  
From \_ Ohlers, no date  
From Eduard Fitzler, acknowledgment of \$48 payment for loss of merchandise  
shipped to Russia in July 1922, no date  
From Herman Zeps, Jasonville Indiana page 1 and 2 (German), no date  
From Alex Fahrenbruch, Cheyenne Wyoming (German), no date  
From Alex Fahrenbruch, Cheyenne Wyoming page 1 and 2 (German), no date  
From ?? (German), no date  
From Rev. Ferdinand Sattler, McCook Nebraska referring to clothing to be shipped to  
Russia, no date

**Collection 1; Series XIII**

Box 4, Folder 2, 1921

From P. Ruder, 13 Sept 1921  
From Dr. Jung/Deutsch Evangelische Missions-Hilf, 26 Sept 1921, multi-page  
From Portland VRS/John Miller, 27 Sept 1921  
From Portland VRS/John Miller, 29 Sept 1921  
From Carl (Scheiber) Plenberger, 2 Oct 1921  
From B. Ostermiller, 2 Oct 1921  
From Jonathan Volz Jr., 7 Oct 1921  
From Rev. Balthaser Ostermiller, 15 Oct 1921, multi-page  
From Wekesser to Die Welt Post/J. Schlenning, 18 Oct 1921  
From VRS/John Miller, 27 Oct 1921, multi-page  
From VRS/John Miller, 31 Oct 1921, multi-page  
From Rev. Balthaser Ostermiller, 1 Nov 1921, multi-page with reply from Dr. HP  
    Wekesser dated 10 Nov 1921  
From L. Hopp, 4 Nov 1921  
From John Pauley, 7 Nov 1921  
From CSVRS to Kolonistenbank, Berlin Germany, 23 Nov 1921  
From \_ Fritzler, 6 Dec 1921, 1921  
From Kolonistenbank, Berlin Germany to SCVRS, 8 Dec 1921, multi-page with  
    envelop  
From Balthaser Ostermiller, 19 Dec 1921

**Collection 1; Series XIII,**

Box 4, Folder 3, 1922

From John Weber Sr., 12 Jan 1922  
From George Bostrom, 25 Jan 1922, multi-page  
From \_ Fritzler, 25 Jan 1922  
From \_ Fritzler, 7 Feb 1922  
Postcard from \_ Fritzler, 11 Feb 1922  
From Carl Mill, 14 Feb 1922  
From John Braun, 22 Feb 1922  
From Jacob Wagner, 24 Feb 1922, multi-page  
From Hilfs-Verein der Wolga Deutschen/Balthaser Ostermiller, 26 Feb 1922, multi-  
    page with newspaper clipping  
From First ME Church/HF Ahrens, 27 Feb 1922  
From Sol. Koutney, Dinuba CA, 27 Feb 1922  
From Adam Schillereff, Fort Morgan CO, 27 Feb 1922  
From Balthaser Ostermiller, 28 Mar 1922, multi-page  
From Hubert Braun, 6 Apr 1922  
From Dakota Freie Presse/Conrad Kornmann, 8 Apr 1922  
From George Bastron, 13 Apr 1922, multi-page  
Handwritten note on prescription pad paper, 14 Apr 1922  
From Balthaser Ostermiller, 17 Apr 1922, multi-page  
From Balthaser Ostermiller, 12 May 1922  
From Rev. Johannes Block, 1 Jul 1922, multi-page  
From Henry Schaechterle, 13 Jul 1922  
From HP Wekesser to Karl Paul, 13 Jul 1922  
From Rev. Zorn, 31 Jul 1922  
From Dakota Freie Presse/Conrad Kornmann, 31 Aug 1922  
From W. Zekzak (?), 20 Sept 1922, multi-page

From Hilswerk der Wolgadeutschen, Berlin Germany, 21 Sept 1922, multi-page  
 From Dakota Freie Presse, 25 Sept 1922, multi-page  
 From Dr. HP Wekesser to Koloniestanbank, Berlin Germany, 27 Sept 1922  
 From Dr. HP Wekesser to Verein der Wolga-Deutschen, Berlin Germany, 27 Sept 1922  
 From Karl Fritz, 27 Sept 1922, multi-page  
 From Dr. HP Wekesser response to Dakota Freie Press 25 Sept letter, 30 Sept 1922  
 From Henry Engel Sr, Friend NE, 3 Oct 1922, multi-page with envelop  
 From Reichsamt fuer deutsche Einwanterung, Berlin Germany, 4 Oct 1922, multipage and folded because longer than 11”  
 From Dakota Freie Presse, 5 Oct 1922  
 From Forward Printing Company/AC Schellenberg, Hillsboro KS, 13 Oct 1922, multi-page with reply from Wekesser dated 16 Oct 1922  
 From Kolonistenbank, Berlin Germany, 14 Oct 1922  
 From California Forward, Fresno CA, 15 Oct 1922  
 From Orville ?, Okeene OK, 19 Oct 1922  
 From ARA/Russian Unit/Jacob Volz, 20 Oct 1922  
 From Forward Printing Compang, 20 Oct 1922  
 From Verein der Wolgadeutschen, Berlin Germany, 21 Oct 1922  
 From ARA/Russian Unit/Jacob Volz, 24 Oct 1922, multi-page  
 From Balthaser Ostermiller, 24 Oct 1922, multi-page  
 From First Evangelical Lutheran Zion Church/Rev. Schlenning, 25 Oct 1922  
 From Balthaser Ostermiller, 31 Oct 1922, multi-page  
 From California Horwaerts, 7 Nov 1922  
 From Dr. HP Wekesser to Hilfswerk der Wolgadeutschen, Berlin Germany, 16 Nov 1922  
 From Dr. HP Wekesser to Reichswanderungeamt, Berlin Germany, 16 Nov 1922  
 From CH Warkentin, Newton KS, 18 Nov 1922  
 From Dr. HP Wekesser to Pastor F. vol Bodel Schwingh, Bielefeld Germany, 23 Nov 1922  
 From Dr. HP Wekesser to CH Warkentin, 23 Nov 1922  
 From HG Zorn, Brush CO, 27 Nov 1922  
 From HG Zorn, 29 Nov 1922  
 From John Isheim (?), Bazine KS, 2 Dec 1922  
 from Jacob Volz, 20 Dec 1922  
 From The South Russia Relief Society, Redfield SD, 23 Dec 1922

### **Collection 1; Series XIII**

Box 4, Folder 4, 1923

From Jacob Volz, 4 Jan 1923, multi-page  
 Postcard from Jacob Volz, 5 Jan 1923  
 From GJ Schmidt, AVRS, to Jakob Volz, Saratov Russia, 9 Jan 1923  
 From Nick Thalheimer, Toppenish WA, 10 Jan 1923  
 From Louis Smith, Smith Center KS, 11 Jan 1923, multi-page  
 From HG Zorn with address tag for clothing bundle to Russia, 16 Jan 1923, multi-page  
 From ??, Denton Montana, 17 Jan 1923  
 From Pastor Robert Dobeck, Okeene, OK, with envelop, 18 Jan 1923  
 From Jacob Weinmeister, Nashua Montana, 20 Jan 1923, multi-page  
 Postcard from JP Wagner, 20 Jan 1923  
 From Nick Thalheimer, 27 Jan 1923, multi-page

From John Schneider, Hillsboro KS, 23 Jan 1923  
From Konrad Weisman, 23 Jan 1923, multi-page  
From HP Weber, 24 Jan 1923, multi-page  
From John Wacker, Ft. Morgan CO, with envelop 25 Jan 1923, multi-page  
From GJ Schmidt to Jacob Volz, 25 Jan 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Willmann, 27 Jan 1923  
From ? to David Hefgel, Homestadt, OK, 29 Jan 1923  
From ? to John L. Wacker, 29 Jan 1923  
From AVRS to Conrad Wichman (?), Alliance NE, 29 Jan 1923, multi-page  
From Jakob Werner, Yolo CA, with bill of lading, 29 Jan 1923, multi-page  
From Mrs. D. Winerschmidt, Stemmers Run, 30 Jan 1923, multi-page  
From John Wacker, 30 Jan 1923  
From Rev. HG Zorn, 31 Jan 1923  
From Lorenz Winheimer (?), Dixon SD, 8 Feb 1923  
From ARA/Russian Unit/Jacob Volz, 14 Feb 1923, multi-page  
From CJ Schmidt to Jacob Volz, 20 Feb 1923, multi-page  
From ARA/Russian Unit/Jacob Volz, Balzer, 20 Feb 1923, multi-page  
From JB Ballensky, two notes, 23 and 24 Feb 1923, with clothing bundle list included, multi-page  
From Conrad Urich, Loveland CO, 27 Feb 1923  
From Jacob Wagner, 27 Feb 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia, 5 Mar 1923, multi-page  
From AVRS to Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia, 6 Mar 1923, multi-page  
From GJ Schmidt to Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia, 9 Mar 1923  
From P. Sinner, Saratov Russia, to AVRS, 15 Mar 1923, multi-page typed  
From P. Sinner, Saratov Russia, to AVRS, 15 Mar 1923, multi-page handwritten  
From Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia, 16 Mar 1923, multi-page  
From ARA/Russian Unit/Jacob Volz, 16 Mar 1923, multi-page  
To J. Volz from GJ Schmidt, 28 Mar 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia, 29 Mar 1923, multi-page  
From ARA/Russian Unit/Jacob Volz, 1 Apr 1923, multi-page  
From ? to Jacob Volz, 10 Apr 1923  
From GJ Schmidt to Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia, 2 May 1923  
From George Wiedenspahn, Brush CO, 11 May 1923  
From ?, Verzeichniss, 14 May 1923, multi-page  
From Conrad Wagner, Broadwater NE, to Rev. Smith, 14 May 1923, multi-page  
From Johannes Mistzell (?), Casper WY, 15 May 1923, multi-page  
From ? ?, 19 May 1923, multi-page  
From AVRS to J. Volz, Saratov Russia, 24 May 1923, multi-page  
From GJ Schmidt to J. Volz, Saratov Russia, 31 May 1923  
From Henry Schwabauer, Detroit Michigan, 31 May 1923  
From GJ Schmidt to J Volz, Saratov Russia, 31 May 1923  
From Christ Weigant, 10 May 1923  
From GJ Schmidt to J Volz, Saratov Russia, 11 Jun 1923  
From Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia, 25 Jun 1923, multi-page  
From GJ Schmidt to J Volz, Saratov Russia, 27 Jun 1923, multi-page  
From GJ Schmidt to J Volz, Saratov Russia, 27 Jun 1923, multi-page  
From GJ Schmidt to J Volz, Saratov Russia, 11 Jul 1923  
From Henry Zeiler, 16 Jul 1923  
from John Roehrig to Jacob Volz with copy of handwritten letter for frau David Roehrig, July 1923, multi-page

From AVRS to J Volz, New York, 8 Aug 1923  
From Henschel (?), 23 Aug 1923 with expense (?) list, 25 Aug 1923, multi-page  
From HG Zorn, 4 Sept 1923  
Two postcards from Rev HO Scheer, 10 Sept 1923  
From Jacob Volz, Milwaukee WI, 10 Sept 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, 11 Sept 1923  
From Jacob Volz, 11 Sept 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, 13 Sept 1923  
From Jacob Volz, York NE, 20 Sept 1923  
From BG Ostermiller, 22 Sept 1923, multi-page  
From Alex Schwarzkopf, Scottsbluff NE, 24 Sept 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, Scottsbluff NE, 24 Sept 1923  
From Jacob Volz, Alliance NE, 27 Sept 1923  
From Rev. J Rothenberger, 30 Sept 1923  
From Jacob Volz, Laurel MT, 1 Oct 1923  
From Rev. FW Schlitzkus, Sterling CO, 2 Oct 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, Ritzville WA, 6 Oct 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, Ritzville WA, 8 Oct 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Schlosser, Glen Ullin ND, 8 Oct 1923  
From FW Schlitzkus, 11 Oct 1923  
From JF Uttecht, 11 Oct 1923  
From Jacob Volz, Portland OR, 16 Oct 1923, multi-page  
From Wm. Strauch to HJ Amen, 17 Oct 1923  
Postcard from HG Zorn, 20 Oct 1923  
From Rev. HF Schmidt, Omaha NE with bill of lading, 20 Oct 1923, multi-page  
From Rev. HA Pecklhans (?), 23 Oct 1923, multi-page  
From HG Zorn, 23 Oct 1923, multi-page  
Postcard from G Schulz, 23 Oct 1923  
From Carl Wolff, 23 Oct 1923  
From Jacob Volz, Fresno CA, 24 Oct 1923  
Postcard from Wm. Stolte, Ludell KS, 25 Oct 1923  
From Mrs. John Zimmerer, 25 Oct 1923  
Postcard from Jacob Volz, Ft. Collins CO, 29 Oct 1923  
From HL Stahl, Fresno CA, 31 Oct 1923  
From Gottfried Socolofsky with bill of lading, 1 Nov 1923, multi-page  
From Chr. Szidat, Hoisington KS, 2 Nov 1923  
From HG Zorn, 3 Nov 1923, multi-page  
From Henshel, 4 Nov 1923, multi-page  
From Wm. Strauch to HJ Amen, 5 Nov 1923  
From Jacob Volz, McCook NE, 5 Nov 1923  
From Carl Wolff with bill of lading, 6 Nov 1923, multi-page  
Postcard from FH Wiesaler (?), 7 Nov 1923  
From Mrs. Ed Schinwarzler (?), 7 Nov 1923  
From ? ? , Walla Walla WA, 9 Nov 1923  
From Mrs. Minilarm (?), Wisner NE, 9 Nov 1923  
From HJ Stroh, Alpena SD, 13 Nov 1923  
From G Schulz, 14 Nov 1923  
From KT Vernon, 14 Nov 1923  
From Andreas Wasmulh, 14 Nov 1923, multi-page (5 pages)  
Postcard from Wm. Waller (?), Berthoud CO, 14 Nov 1923  
From A Sussn (?), 16 Nov 1923

From Rev. TL Steiger, 17 Nov 1923  
Postcard from Wm. Stiller, 17 Nov 1923  
From Henry Schwabauer, 18 Nov 1923, multi-page  
From Jacob Volz, 27 Nov 1923  
From Wm. Waller (?), 30 Nov 1923  
From Mrs. L. Vinbel, Lenox Mass, 3 Dec 1923, multi-page  
From KL Stahl, 4 Dec 1923  
From ? ? , 10 Dec 1923  
From HJ Amen to Jacob Volz, 11 Dec 1923 with German script response from Jacob  
Volz  
From ? ? , 15 Dec 1923  
From Geo. H. Graf, 17 Dec 1923  
Postcard from Rev. JE Schatz, 18 Dec 1923  
From Jacob Volz, 27 Dec 1923

### **Collection 1; Series XIII**

Box 4, Folder 5, 1924

Postcard from K. Haemmelmann, 19 Feb 1924

**Collection 1; Series XIV, Additional correspondence, arranged chronologically, to and from the CVRS/AVRS. Where possible, the letter the correspondence is replying to is included immediately after the CVRS/AVRS letter as page two. This series should be used in conjunction with other related series in the collection that have correspondence separated into separate topics.**

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To Rev. Karl Stahl, Windsor Colorado (4 January 1922) from GJ Schmidt. Page 2 (German) from Rev. Stahl (2 January 1922)  
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To Dr. HP Wekesser/CVRS (29 March 1922) pages 1 & 2 of 5 from Jacob Wagner, London  
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To Dr. HP Wekesser/CVRS (29 March 1922) pages 5 of 5 from Jacob Wagner, London  
To California Post (30 March 1922), page 1 and 2, from HP Wekesser with plea to work cooperatively  
To Henry Hein, Hastings Nebraska (30 March 1922) from HP Wekesser with reference to \$100,000 already collected  
To Mrs. William Hinrichs, Hildreth Nebraska (31 March 1922) from HP Wekesser about clothing to Russia. Page 2 is card from Mrs. Hinrichs (30 March 1922)  
To Hillsboro Vorwaerts, Hillsboro Kansas (31 March 1922) from HP Wekesser with request to publish a report  
To HP Wekesser (3 April 1922) from HA Hein (German)  
To John Erbas, Bayard Nebraska (3 April 1922) from HP Wekesser  
To Henry Hein, Hastings Nebraska (3 April 1922) from HP Wekesser  
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To HP Wekesser/CVRS (5 April 1922) from Rev. John Erbes, Bayard Nebraska (German)

To Henry Baker/Backer (?), Vaneta Oregon (7 April 1922) from HP Wekesser

To Rev. John Erbas, Bayard Nebraska (7 April), pages 1 and 2, from HP Wekesser with request for support to CVRS

To HP Wekesser/CVRS (12 April 1922) from HA Hein

To California Post (13 April 1922), page 1 and 2, from HP Wekesser with request for cooperation and support

To JH Scheidt, Fresno California (13 April 1922) page 1 and 2 of 4, from HP Wekesser

To JH Scheidt, Fresno California (13 April 1922) page 3 and 4 of 4, from HP Wekesser with request for support

To HP Wekesser/CVRS (14 April 1922) from HP Lorinz (?), Fowler Kansas

To Kolonstenbank, Berlin Germany (14 April 1922) from HP Wekesser (German)

To Sherman-McConnell Drug Store, Omaha Nebraska (15 April 1922) from HP Wekesser with thanks for help during Omaha fund raising drive

To HP Wekesser/CVRS (18 April 1922), page 1 and 2, report from Jacob Wagner, Saratov Russia

To HP Wekesser/CVRS (18 April 1922), page 1 and 2, second report from Jacob Wagner, Saratov Russia

CVRS bill from H. Herpolskeimer Co. Lincoln Nebraska (19 April 1922)

To California Post (22 April 1922) from HP Wekesser with page 2 letter from California Post (15 April 1922) (German)

To Adam Schillereff, Fort Morgan Colorado (24 April 1922) from HP Wekesser

To Ludwig Ohlberg, Frankfurt Germany (27 April 1922) from HP Wekesser (German)

To Rev. John Erbas, Bayard Nebraska (29 April 1922) from HP Wekesser with page 2 letter from Reb. Erbas (27 April 1922) to Wekesser (German)

To Henry Hein, Hastings Nebraska (29 April 1922), page 1 and 2, from HP Wekesser

To AVRS (20 May 1922) from Fredrick Groskopf and Frank Pummant (?), page 1 and 2, (German)

To John Fischer, Lincoln Nebraska (22 May 1922) to acknowledge clothing for Balth. Reich from CVRS (refund given 3 March 1923)

Shipping tag, from John Fischer, for clothing to be shipped to Balth. Reich in Soviet Russia, side 1 and 2

To Henry Horst, Lincoln Nebraska (8 July 1922) to acknowledge clothing to be shipped to Adolph Bastron from CVRS. Page 2 is list of clothing items being shipped.

To Conrad Hock, Lincoln Nebraska (11 July 1922) to acknowledge clothing to be shipped to John Hock from CVRS. Page 2 is list of clothing items being shipped. (refund given 2 March 1923)

To Conrad Hock, Lincoln Nebraska (11 July 1922) to acknowledge clothing to be shipped to John Hock from CVRS. Page 2 is list of clothing items being shipped. (refund given 3 March 1923)

To HP Wekesser/AVRS (2 August 1922) from T Heiger, Proctor Colorado (German)

To Rev. E. Hergert, Ft. Collins Colorado (6 August 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge contribution. Page 2 is letter from Rev. Hergert to GJ Schmidt (27 July 1922) (German)

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To AVRS (16 November 1922) from Fred Schneider, Land-du-lac Wisconsin  
(German)  
To HP Wekesser (postcard 17 November 1922) from John Hoersch, Grand Island  
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To HP Wekesser (17 November 1922) page 1 and 2 from Henry Hein, Hastings  
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To Jno Rohring/AVRS (19 November 1922), freight bill for box of clothing from  
Yates Center Kansas  
To AVRS (20 November 1922) from Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska, with list of  
chapter officers  
To HP Wekesser (21 November 1922) from KL Stahl/Der Kirchenbote, Windsor  
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To HH Fast, Denver Colorado (29 November 1922) from HP Wekesser  
To John Stencil, Windsor Colorado (29 November 1922) from HP Wekesser  
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To Theo Strobel, Leader Saskatchewan Canada (2 December 1922) from HP  
Wekesser. Page 2 postcard from Strobel to Wekesser (7 November 1922)  
To Rev. HO Scheer, Bayard Nebraska (2 December 1922) from HP Wekesser. Page 2  
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To J Geo Frank, Edgar Montana (2 December 1922) from HP Wekesser  
To Rev. GJ Schmidt/AVRS (2 December 1922) page 1 and 2 from HJ Grasmick,  
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referring to Hoersch 2 December letter  
To AVRS (4 December 1922) from George Groskopf, Longmont Colorado. Page 1  
and 2 (German)  
To AVRS (5 December 1922) postcard from ??, Sutton Nebraska (German)



To HP Wekesser (8 December 1922) from Rev. F Sattler, McCook Nebraska, with list of chapter officers

To John Jaekel, Jr. (11 December 1922) from ?/AVRS with reference to Wekesser operation on Saturday. Page 2 letter from Jaekel (3 December 1922) to AVRS

To John Stramel, Bison Kansas (11 December 1922) from HP Wekesser (?) describing how money can be sent to friends in Russia. Page 2 letter (8 December) from Stramel to AVRS (German)

To Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska (11 December 1922) with reference to Wekesser operation on Saturday. Page 2 letter (5 December 1922) from Spahn to Wekesser

To Rev. DG Schurr, Loveland Colorado (11 December 1922) with reference to Wekesser operation on Saturday. Page 2 letter (4 December 1922) from Schurr to AVRS (German)

To AVRS (11 December 1922) from L Gehret, Lamar Colorado (German)

To HJ Grasmichk/Grasmick, Sidney Montana (11 December 1922) from HP Wekesser (?) describing how money can be sent to friends in Russia

To GJ Fritzler, Otwood Colorado (11 December 1922) from HP Wekesser (?). Page 2 letter (4 December 1922) Fritzler to AVRS

To Rev. Wm. Strauch, Ft. Collins Colorado (13 December 1922) from ?/AVRS. Page 2 letter (5 December 1922) Strauch to Rev. Geo. J Schmidt

To John Eckhardt, Gering Nebraska (13 December 1922) from HP Wekesser (?). Page 2 letter (11 December 1922) Eckhardt to Wekesser with check for \$190

To Rev. George J. Schmidt/AVRS (16 December 1922) from Rev. F Sattler, McCook Nebraska, page 1 of 3 (German)

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In Memoriam for Dr. Heinrich Peter Wekesser, 16 December 1922, by GJ Schmidt (page 1 of 2)

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Obituary for Dr. HP Wekesser, died 15 December, publication date believed to be 16 December 1922

To Jacob Stroh/AVRS (18 December 1922) from Henry Hoffman, Berthoud Colorado. Page 1 and 2

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To Henry Stroh, Grand Island Nebraska (19 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$100 contribution

To Henry Hubar/Dubar, York Nebraska (19 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$27 contribution. Page 2 letter (16 December 1922) Huber/Duber to AVRS

To Fred Schneider, Fond Du Lac Wisconsin (20 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$75 contribution. Page 2 letter (11 December 1922) Schneider to AVRS (German)

To HP Wekesser (20 December 1922) from Jacob Bender & John Steobecker, Sutton Nebraska (German)

To Henry Hoffman, Berthoud Colorado (22 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$54.50 contribution

To Andrew Gackle, Watkins Montana (22 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$5 contribution. Page 2 letter (15 December 1922) Gackle to AVRS (German)

To Theo Strobel, Leader Saskatchewan Canada (22 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$13.25 contribution. Page 2 letter (18 December 1922) Strobel to AVRS (German)

To HR Schmunk, Minitare Nebraska (German, 26 December 1922) from AVRS. Page 2 letter (8 December 1922) Schmunk to AVRS (German)

To John Strohecker, Sutton Nebraska (26 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$45 contribution. Page 2 letter (22 December 1922) Strohecker to AVRS

To Fred Hinrichs, Lincoln Nebraska (28 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$10.55 contribution.

To Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska (28 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$40 contribution. Page 2 letter (27 December 1922) Spahn to AVRS

To Rev. JE Schatz, Hallam Nebraska (28 December 1922) from GJ Schmidt to acknowledge \$11.85 contribution. Page 2 letter (26 December 1922) Schatz to AVRS (German)

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To AVRS (no date but in January 1923 documents) from G Schurr (German). Page 2 list of items being sent

Card with address written in Russian (no date but in January 1923 documents)

To AVRS (no date but in January 1923 documents) food draft (German) sent by Fred Strasheim, Lincoln Nebraska. Page 2 letter of instructions about food draft (German)

To Henry Hein, Hastings Nebraska (3 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt about flowers for Dr. Wekesser's funeral

To FW Gross, Northfield Minnesota (8 January 1923) from JG Stroh. Page 2 postcard (6 January 1923) Gross to AVRS

To Rev. Lukas, Clyde Missouri (8 January 1923) from J Rohrig about clothing shipments to Germany

To Jacob Stroh/AVRS (9 January 1923) from John Gettmann, Hastings Nebraska (German)

To HP Wekesser (9 January 1923) from CJ Schmidt (German) page 1 & 2 of 4

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To Carl Green, Sidney Montana (9 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$16 contribution. Page 2 letter Green to Geo J Schmidt (German)

To Rev. F Fuenning, Brighton Colorado (9 January 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$11 contribution. Page 2 letter (27 December 1923 (?)/1922) from Fuenning to Schmidt (German)

To John Huff, Cashmere Nebraska (11 January 1923) from JJ Stroh (German). Page 2 letter (3 January 1923) Huff to Stroh (German)

To AVRS (11 January 1923) from Gottfried Socolofsky (German). Page 2 continuation of letter Socolofsky, Tampa Kansas, to AHSGR (German)

Bill of lading (10 January 1923) for items shipped by Gottfried Socolofsky

To John Roerig/AVRS (12 January 1923) from Carl Green, Sidney Montana (German)

To John Roerig/AVRS (12 January 1923) from Rev. Carl Green, Sidney Montana (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading for three bundles

To AVRS (12 January 1923) from Elizabeth Stickels, Nampa Idaho (German). Page 2 continuation of letter (German) Stickels to AVRS

To J Rohrig/AVRS (12 January 1923) from Henry Fuchs, Ft. Morgan Colorado. Page 2 (German) attached to the letter from Henry Fuchs

Bill of lading for goods shipped by Henry Fuchs and referred to in 12 January 1923 letter to AVRS

To Henry Schafer, Toledo Ohio (12 January 1923) from JG Schmidt (German)

To Theo Strobel, Leader Saskatchewan Canada (13 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$12.15 contribution. Page 2 letter (8 January 1923) from Strobel to AVRS

To Rev. G Schulz, Kimball Nebraska (13 January 1923) from JG Schmidt discussing shipping clothing to Russia using Clothing Remittances. Page 2 letter (11 January 1923) Schulz to GJ Schmidt (German)

To John Roehrig/AVRS (17 January 1923) from HJ Grassmick, Sidney Montana (German)

To Rev. H Hoersch, Hastings Nebraska (17 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt acknowledging payment for Wekesser's flowers. Page 2 letter (10 January 1923) Hoersch to Schmidt with list of chapter officers.

To Rev. A Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (17 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution. Page 2 letter (12 January 1923) Fuenning to Schmidt (German)

To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (17 January 1923) from Geo Frank (German). Page 2 continuation of Frank letter.

To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (17 January 1923) John Hoersch, Grand Island Nebraska (German). Page 2 continuation of Hoersch to Schmidt (German)

To John Schnell, Ramona Kansas (17 January 1923) from JJ Stroh. Page 2 letter (15 January 1923) from Schnell to AVRS (German)

To John Roerig/AVRS from Carl Green, Sidney Montana (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading for one bale of bedding

To John Rohrig/AVRS (18 January 1923) from F Steiger (German). Page 2 continuation of Steiger letter (German)

To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (18 January 1923) postcard from John Hoersch, Grand Island Nebraska (German)

To John Roerig/AVRS (19 January 1923) from Rev. Carl Green, Sidney Montana. Page 2 Bill of Lading for one bundle

To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (19 January 1923) from pastor FW Schlitzkus, Sterling Colorado (German) with list of officers

To AVRS (19 January 1923) from Joh Hoff. Page 2 bill of lading (18 January 1923) of bale of clothing shipped by John Hoff

To John Roehrig/AVRS (20 January 1923) from Mrs. Aug Steinike, First View Colorado (German). Page 2 continuation of Steinike letter to Roehrig (German)

To AVRS (21 January 1923) from Philipp Groh, Chicago Illinois. Page 1 & 2 (German)

To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (22 January 1923) from JP Hohnstein, Ft. Morgan Colorado. Page 2 report from Ft. Morgan chapter of AVRS

To Mrs. Wekesser and AVRS officers (22 January) from Ft. Morgan branch of AVRS

To John Rohrig/AVRS (22 January 1923) from George Sauer (German). Page 2 continuation of Sauer to Rohrig letter

To John Rohrig/AVRS (22 January 1923) from Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska with \$32 contribution and instructions for shipment of clothing to Norka, Frank, Walter, Huck, Kolb, and New Balzer. Page 2 list of villages

Bill of lading referred to by Peter Spahn letter for six bales of clothing for Russia  
 To John Rohrig (23 January 1923) from ??, Sutton Nebraska (German)  
 To Rev. George J Schmidt/AVRS (23 January 1923) from Rev. Karl L Stahl/Der  
 Kirchenbote, Windsor Colorado (German)  
 To Rev. GJ Schmidt/AVRS (24 January 1923) from JJ Sinner, Sterling Colorado  
 (German)  
 To Peter Schroethin, Oregon City Oregon (24 January 1923) explaining AVRS does  
 not accept clothing for South (Sued) Russia with referral to South Russia Relief  
 Society, Redfield South Dakota.  
 To AVRS (24 January 1923) from John Seleske, Durham Kansas (German). Page 2  
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 To Peter Holzwarth, Goldwin North Dakota (25 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt with  
 acknowledgment of \$2 contribution. Page 2 letter (16 January 1923) from Mrs.  
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 To CJ Scheideman, McCook Nebraska (25 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt with  
 acknowledgment of \$150 contribution. Page 2 letter (24 January 1923) from  
 Conrad J Scheideman to JJ Stroh/AVRS  
 To Rev. KL Stahl, Windsor Colorado (25 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt with  
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 Colorado (German)  
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 To John Gettman, Hastings Nebraska (27 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt with  
 acknowledgment of \$141.50 contribution  
 To Gottfried Socolofsky, Tampa Kansas (27 January 1923) from GJ Schmidt  
 referring to his letter of 25 January and acknowledging receipt of his clothing and  
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 To Rev. Carl Green, Sidney Montana (29 January 1923) from AVRS  
 To Heinrich Huva, American Falls Idaho (29 January 1923) from ?/AVRS (German).  
 Page 2 letter Huva to AVRS (German)  
 To John Jaekel Jr. Newark New Jersey (29 January 1923) from JJ Stroh explaining  
 preparation of clothing to be shipped to Russia. Page 2 letter (24 January 1923)  
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 To Heinrich Huva, American Falls Idaho (29 January 1923) from AVRS (German).  
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 To AVRS (29 January 1923) from ? (German). Page 2 envelope addressed to John  
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To Fritz Feil, Waldeck Saskatchewan Canada (29 January 1923) from AVRS (German). Page 2 letter (16 January 1923) Feil to John Roehrig with name and address (written in Russian) enclosed

To John Roehrig/AVRS (29 January 1923) from Conrad Frick, Montrose Colorado (German), page 1 & 2

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To John Huber, Casper Wyoming (29 January 1923) from AVRS (German). Page 2 letter (7 January 1923) Huber to John Roehrig (German)

To John Selleske, Durham Kansas (30 January 1923) from JJ Stroh discussing sending clothing to individuals in Russia

To John Roehrig/AVRS (30 January 1923) from Rev. FW Schlitzkus, Sterling Colorado (German). Page 2 Bill of lading for clothing shipped to AVRS

To AVRS (30 January 1923) from Friedrich Hoeffur (?), Bayard Nebraska (German)

To AVRS (30 January 1923) from Jacob Horst, Pierce Nebraska, about clothing being shipped for Franker Chutor in Russia

To Rev. H Heitfeld, Ft. Morgan Colorado (31 January 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$600 contribution. Page 2 letter (29 January 1923) from Heitfeld to AVRS explains distribution of contribution between Kraft and general aid.

To AVRS (31 January 1923) from John Selesky, Durham Kansas (German). Page 2 address in Russia

To Casper Schatz, Glidden Wisconsin (31 January 1923) (German). Page 2 letter (28 January 1923) Schatz to AVRS (German)

To John Rohring/AVRS (31 January 1923) from H Hoersch, Hastings Nebraska for clothing and funds for shipment. Page 2 Bill of Lading for eight bales of clothing and one carton of shoes shipped by Rev. Hoersch

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A report of contributors, addresses and amounts (3 February 1923), page 1 of 4

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To Gottlieb Jurk, Flint Michigan (5 February 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$313 contribution. Page 2 letter (30 January 1923) Jurk to AVRS (German)

To Rev. Strohecker, Sutton Nebraska (5 February 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$70 contribution. Page 2 letter Strohecker to Rev. G. Schmidt/AVRS (German)

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To J Roehrig/AVRS (8 February 1923) from Henry Hardt, Portland Oregon, about two packages to be shipped to Russia

To Geo J Fertig, Wheatland Wyoming (8 February 1923) from AVRS about shipping clothing to individuals in Russia. Page 2 letter (1 February 1923) Fertig to AVRS (German)

To John Rohring/AVRS (9 February 1923) from Adam Fagler (German)

To Geo Frank, Edgar Montana, from AVRS with acknowledgment of \$25 contribution

To AVRS (13 February 1923) from John Grasmick, Portland Oregon, page 1 & 2 (German)

To John Jackel (14 February 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$67 contribution. Page 2 letter to CSVS (5 September 1922) from John Jaekel/Newark CSVS Branch

To AVRS (14 February 1923) from Jacob Grosnick, Sheboygan Wisconsin (German)

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To Mrs. Elizabeth Stickel, Nampa Idaho (17 February 1923) from GJ Schmidt about food and clothing drafts

To AVRS (17 February 1923) from Jacob Horst, Pierce Nebraska, about items sent for shipment to Russia

To John Roehrig/AVRS (17 February 1923) from Rev. H Hagelganz, Portland Oregon (German) page 1 & 2 with names and addresses of contributors

To John Jackel Jr., Newark New Jersey (17 February 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$100 contribution. Page 2 letter (13 February 1923) John Jackel to JJ Stroh

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To Rev. T Steiger, Proctor Colorado (19 February 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$10 contribution. Page 2 letter (16 February 1923) Steiger to Rohrig/AVRS (German)

To JJ Geis, Durham Kansas (19 February 1923) from GJ Schmidt discussing sending money to relatives in Russia

To Rev. Chr Szidat, Herrington Kansas (19 February 1923) from GJ Schmidt explaining the last shipment of clothing to Russia will sail 5 March 1923. Page 2 letter (13 February 1923) Geiss to Schmidt (German)

To Rev. H Hoersch, Hastings Nebraska (22 February 1923) from AVRS with statement of Hastings contributions. Page 2 letter (22 January 1923) Hoersch to Schmidt

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To John Roehrig/AVRS (24 February 1923) from ?? (German) page 1 & 2

To Jacob Gettman, Berthoud Colorado (27 February 1923) with acknowledgement of \$6 contribution

To Henry Hoerberling, Hubbard Lake Michigan (27 February 1923) from GJ Schmidt explaining AVRS does not accept clothing for South Russia with referral to South Russia Relief Society, Redfield South Dakota

To AVRS (27 February 1923) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey, with description of bales being shipped to Russia (German and Russian) page 1 & 2

To John Schreiner, Morrill Nebraska (27 February 1923) from GJ Schmidt explaining that the ARA has stated no more clothing will be shipped to Russia after the 5 March shipment

To AVRS from George Hohnstein (3 March 1923) acknowledgment of payment for merchandise shipped to Russia July 1922 that was not delivered. Page 2 CSVRS receipt of clothing to be sent to Phillip Brehm.

Parcel tag for merchandise to be shipped to Phillip Brehm in Norka by George Hohnstein

To AVRS from Conrad Hock, Lincoln Nebraska (3 March 1923) acknowledgment of payment for merchandise shipped to Russia July 1922 that was not delivered

To G Heinrich, Durham Kansas (3 March 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$40 contribution. Page 2 letter (26 February 1923) Heinrich to Stroh (German)

To AVRS from Conrad Hock, Lincoln Nebraska (3 March 1923) acknowledgment of payment for merchandise shipped to Russia July 1922 that was not delivered

To AVRS from John Fischer, Lincoln Nebraska (3 March 1923) acknowledgment of payment for merchandise shipped to Russia July 1922 that was not delivered

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey, from JJ Stroh about a bale of clothing refused by the Express Company

To Rev. Fred Engleman, Tangier Oklahoma (5 March 1923) from GJ Schmidt describing how AVRS assists delivery of funds to colonies. Page 2 letter (2 March 1923) Engleman to AVRS (German)

To AVRS (5 March 1923) from Rev. Fuenning, Brighton Colorado (German)

To Henry Fischer, Durham Kansas (6 March 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$33.11 contribution

To Jacob Volz, Saratov Russia (7 March 1923) from AVRS requesting investigation of reported lost bundle that was shipped to Adolph Bastron in Frank

To George Heil, Rocky Ford Colorado (8 March 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$32.20 contribution

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (8 March 1923) from John Jaekel/Atlantic Branch AVRS explaining the problem of the bale of clothing previously refused by Express Company (refer to 5 March letter) has been solved. Page 2 a list of costs with no explanation

To Rev. EK Hammond, Red Oak Iowa (9 March 1923) from JJ Stroh about collection of clothing efforts. Page 2 letter (11 February 1923) Hammond to Roring/AVRS (German)

To Gottlieb Jurk, Flint Michigan (12 March 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$52 contribution

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To Fred Fuchs, Plevan Montana (12 March 1923) from GJ Schmidt explaining clothing is not accepted for Siberia and Wolynian/Volhynia with a referral to the ARA for such support. Page 2 letter Fuchs to AVRS (German)

To Rev. F Englemann, Tangier Oklahoma (13 March 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$217.70 contribution. Page 2 of 4 letter (6 March 1923) Englemann to AVRS (German)

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To Sadie Johnson, Redfield South Dakota from GJ Schmidt about clothing shipped to Russia. Page 2 letter (13 February 1923) Johnson to Schmidt  
To Rev. JF Flegler, Ruffsedale Pennsylvania (20 March 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$2 contribution for Neu Doenhof confirmation class. Page 2 letter (14 March 1923) Flegler to AVRS with Flegler business card  
To John Jaeckel, Newark New Jersey (26 March 1923) from JJ Stroh about missing bale of clothing for Mr. Neu  
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To GJ Fritzler, Atwood Colorado (11 April 1923) from GJ Schmidt (German). Page 2 letter (4 April 1923) Fritzler to AVRS (German)  
To Rev. FW Schlitzhaus, Sterling Colorado (12 April 1923) from Jacob Volz (German)  
To John Jakel, Newark New Jersey (12 April 1923) from Jacob Volz (German)  
To HP Wekesser/AVRS (17 April 1923) from Rev. F Felisian Fritzler, Fresno California (German) page 1 & 2  
To Rev. A Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (24 April 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$57.75 contribution and explanation that ARA has discontinued Food and Clothing Draft System but still operates their warehouses in Russia. Page 2 letter (17 April 1923) Fuenning to Schmidt (German)  
To John Gettman, Hastings Nebraska (25 April 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$50 contribution. Page 2 letter (22 April 1923) Gettman to AVRS (German)  
To Rev. F Fritzler, Fresno California (30 April 1923) from GJ Schmidt explaining Dr. Wekesser died 15 April 1922 and it is impossible to address the matter mentioned in a prior Rev. Fritzler letter (*see 17 April 1923 letter Fritzler to Wekesser*)  
To Valentine Kuhn, Platte Center Nebraska (11 May 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$25 contribution. Page 2 letter (6 May 1923) Kuhn to AVRS (German)  
To Jacob Flegler & John Henry Bangert, Russell Kansas (18 May 1923) from JJ Stroh with thanks for contribution  
To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (21 May 1923) from Rev. Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (German)  
To Rev. Karl Haemmelmann, Hastings Nebraska (23 May 1923) from GJ Schmidt discussing sending money to friends in Russia. Page 2 letter (22 May 1923) Haemmelmann to Schmidt (German)  
To AVRS (25 May 1923) from Jakob Flagler, Tarr Pennsylvania (German)  
To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (26 May 1923) from Jacob Flagler & John Henry Bangert, Russell Kansas  
To Rev. Karl Haemmelmann, Hastings Nebraska (28 May 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$25 contribution to be given to Johannes Schoenemann in



- Old (Alt) Norka, house 426. Page 2 letter (28 May 1923) Haemmelmann to Schmidt
- To Rev. A Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (31 May 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$18 contributions from Schreiner, Reisbig and Hessler. Page 2 letter (28 May 1923) Fuenning to Schmidt (German)
- To LJ Hirning, Redfield South Dakota (9 June 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$20 contribution. Page 2 letter (2 June 1923) Hirning to Schmidt (German)
- To Jacob Hoelzer, Sidney Montana (9 June 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$50 contribution for individuals in Norka. Page 2 letter (4 June 1923) Hoelzer to Jacob Wagner/AVRS (German)
- To Geo Heintz, Stuyvessant Falls NY (11 June 1923) from GJ Schmidt discussing sending money to friends in Russia. Page 2 letter (7 June 1923) Heintz to AVRS (German)
- To John Jaekel Jr., Newark New Jersey (18 June 1923) form GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$100 contribution. Page 2 letter (16 June 1923) Jaekel to AVRS
- To Rev. A Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (20 June 1923) from GJ Schmidt about \$5 from Jacob Lackmann to be sent to Jacob Foos and Katherine Jerger in Dittel Russia. Page 2 letter (5 June 1923) Fuenning to Schmidt (German)
- To JF Flegler, Ruffsdale Pennsylvania (20 June 1923) from GJ Schmidt about clothing to be shipped to Russia. Page 2 letter (16 June 1923) Flegler to Schmidt (German)
- To Mrs. Jacob Gettmann, Berthoud Colorado (25 June 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution. Page 2 letter (no date) Gettmann to AVRS (German)
- To Rev. John Hoersch, Grand Island Nebraska (25 June 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$5 to be sent to Wilhelm Hohman in New Norka. Page 2 letter (21 June 1923) Hoersch to Stroh (German)
- To Schmidt/AVRS (28 June 1923) from Adam Schafer, Bessie Oklahoma (German) page 1 & 2
- To Rev. A Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (2 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt explaining can no longer forward money to Russia because Mr. Volz is leaving Russia in the near future. Page 2 letter (28 June 1923) Fuenning to Schmidt (German)
- To Adam Schafer, Bessie Oklahoma (2 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt explaining Mr. Volz is leaving Russia so money can no longer be forwarded to persons in Russia. (see Schafer letter to Schmidt, 28 June 1923)
- To Geo Heintz, Stuyvessant Falls New York (8 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$30 contribution. Page 2 letter (30 June 1923) Heintz to AVRS (German)
- To Rev. FP Schlitzkus, Sterling Colorado (11 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt about shipments of clothing to Russia. Page 2 letter (4 July 1923) Schlitzkus to AVRS (German)
- To John Stenzel, Windsor Colorado (11 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$34.39 in two contributions. Page 2 letter 10 July 1923) Stenzel to AVRS
- To Geo Heil, Rocky Fork Colorado (11 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$21.50 contribution. Page 2 letter (2 July 1923) Heil to AVRS (German)
- To Henry Hubier, York Nebraska (9 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$7 contribution

To Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska (19 July 1923) from GJ Schmidt GJ Schmidt with acknowledgment of \$32.79 contribution. Page 2 letter (18 July 1923) Spahn to AVRS

To H Jank, Eaton Colorado (21 July 1923) from JJ Stroh about clothing which was received too late for the last shipment to Russia

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To "Freunde" (5 September 1923) from HJ Amen/AVRS (German)

To AVRS (8 September 1923) from Rev. FW Schlitzkus, Sterling Colorado (German)

To Rev. Jacob Flegler, Ruffsdale Pennsylvania (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Schulmeister Keller and Pastor Moellman in Russia because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Philip Frank, Windsor Colorado (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Anna Marie Bauer, Witwe, Alt Balzer because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Clement Schroeter, Rush Center Kansas (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Fredreck Eckes, house 80, Popowka because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Mrs. Elizabeth Spomer, Lincoln Nebraska (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Conrad Ramer, Fabreka Saratov because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Amalia Schildt, Lincoln Nebraska (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to George Remer, Tolofka, and Malia Lorie, Kutter, because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Henry Gerth, Lincoln Nebraska (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Mareleabeth Weisheim and Marelesbeth Becker, Balzer, because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Henry Hergert, Lincoln Nebraska (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Mrs. Hergert, Johannes Beck and Jakob Beck, because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Mrs. Hirsch, Lincoln Nebraska (11 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Schulmeister George Jacob Muth, Grimm, because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To HJ Amen/AVRS (12 September 1923) from Andrew Wulf, Wm Kerner, Geo Scheidt, Phillip Dittenbin, HP Steitzl, (German)

To Henry Sitzmann, Loveland Colorado (13 September 1923) from GJ Schmidt about distribution of money in Russia

To AVRS (17 September 1923) from John Huber, Casper Wyoming (German) page 1 & 2

To Fred Schneider, Fond Du Lac Wisconsin (18 September 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$50 contribution

To John Fahrenbruch, president - Cheyenne Wyoming (18 September 1923) from HJ Amen

To AVRS (18 September 1923) from Peter Harres with list of clothing sent to Conrad Harres

To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (18 September 1923) from HJ Amen asking for assistance to resolve claim of Mr. George Brum for clothing reported as not delivered

To Rev. Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (21 September 1923) from HJ Amen asking that a meeting be scheduled with Mr. Volz

To TOF Herzer, Calgary Alberta Canada (26 September 1923) from AVRS (German). Page 2 letter (20 September 1923) from Canadian Pacific Railway Company/TOF Herzer (German)

To Rev. DG Schurr, Loveland Colorado (26 September 1923) from AVRS (German). Page 2 letter (17 September 1923) Schurr to Schmidt (German)

To Geo Heinz, Styvesant Falls NY (26 September 1923) from HJ Amen acknowledging request that Volz meet with their chapter. Page 2 letter (18 September 1923) Heintz to AVRS (German)

To HJ Amen (2 October 1923) from John Jaekel discussing problem of clothing shipment intended for Conrad Weigand of Yacata Bulana, page 1 & 2

To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (5 October 1923) from HJ Amen discussing Conrad Weigand clothing matter and plans for clothing to be shipped to Germany

To Rev. Henry Hoersh, Hastings Nebraska (4 October 1923) from HJ Amen concerning clothing shipments to Germany

To Henry Stroh, Grand Island Nebraska (4 October 1923) from HJ Amen concerning clothing shipments to Germany

To The Hillsboro Forward (10 October 1923) from HJ Amen requesting assistance with publicizing Mr. Volz visits

To J Rohrig/AVRS (13 October 1923) from Rev. Julius Houn, Ritzville Washington (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading for clothing shipped.

To AVRS (14 October 1923) from Wm Kerner, Fresno California (German)

To Phillip Groh, Chicago Illinois (18 October 1923) from HJ Amen discussing clothing to be shipped

To Rev. Graf, Bethoud Colorado (19 October 1923) from HJ Amen discussing Mr. Volz tour and visits

To John Rohrig/AVRS (19 October 1923) postcard from Mrs. Martha Kitzerow, Scribner Nebraska (German)

To Rev. John Hohnstein, Ft. Morgan Colorado (20 October 1923) from HJ Amen discussing Mr. Volz tour and visits

To John Rohrig/AVRS (22 October 1923) from 'the Huffmeyer Family', Batesville Indiana describing clothing being sent, page 1 & 2

To John Rohrig/AVRS (24 October 1923) from Fred Frericks, Hildreth Nebraska (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading

To HJ Amen/AVRS (25 October 1923) from Wm Kerner, Fresno California (German)

To John Rohrig/AVRS (25 October 1923) from Wm Kerner, Fresno California (German)

To John Rohrig/AVRS (26 October 1923) postcard from Mrs. Anna Keene, Beaverton Oregon (German)

To Mrs. Sophia Kriete, Salina Kansas (26 October 1923) from GJ Schmidt discussing clothing that was sent. Page 2 letter (20 October 1923) Kriete to AVRS

To Henry Fuchs, Ft. Morgan Colorado (26 October 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$25 contribution. Page 2 letter (25 October 1923) Rev. Hohnstein to JJ Stroh

To AVRS (27 October 1923) from Mrs. Kriet, Salina Kansas (German) page 1 & 2

To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (27 October 1923) from John Hoersch (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading for four sacks clothing

To JJ Klein, McCook Nebraska (29 October 1923) from HJ Amen discussing Mr. Volz tour and visits

To AVRS (29 October 1923) from Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher, Santa Rosa California (German) page 1 & 2

- To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (29 October 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$25 contribution. Page 2 letter (25 October 1923) Kerner to Stroh (German)
- To JJ Jaekel, Newark NF (29 October 1923) from HJ Amen discussing clothing being shipped from Portland Oregon
- To AVRS (30 October 1923) from Geo Fahrenbruch, Culbertson Nebraska (German)
- To Rev. HH Heckman/Hackmann, Columbus Nebraska (31 October 1923) from HJ Amen discussing November clothing shipment. Page 2 letter (24 October 1923) Hackmann to Amen

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- To Henry Koch, Campbell Nebraska (1 November 1923) from HJ Amen discussing Mr. Volz tour and visits
- To Rev. JH Hop, Portland Oregon (1 November 1923) from GJ Schmidt (German)
- To Ed Graalman, Okeene Oklahoma (2 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution. Page 2 letter (30 October 1923) Graalman to Rohrig (German)
- To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (2 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$3 contribution. Page 2 letter (29 October 1923) Kerner to Stroh (German)
- To John Heisig, Carlsbad New Mexico (2 November 1923) from JJ Stroh discussing clothing being shipped. Page 2 letter (23 October 1923) Heisig to Rohrig (German)
- To John Hoelzer, Denver Colorado (2 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution. Page 2 letter (25 October 1923) Hoelzer to Roehrig (German)
- To Rev. Geo Hein, Seattle Washington (2 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$38 contribution. Page 2 letter (22 October 1923) Hein to Rohrig (German)
- To Geo Heil, Rocky Ford Colorado (2 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$53.30 contribution. Page 2 letter (29 October 1923) Heil to AVRS (German)
- To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (3 November 1923) from HJ Amen discussing planned clothing shipment to Germany
- To John Rohrig/AVRS (5 November 1923) postcard from German Evangelical Church of Columbus Nebraska about shipped clothing
- To Phillip Groh, Chicago Illinois (5 November 1923) from HJ Amen discussing planned shipment of clothing
- To Rev. Geo J Schmidt/AVRS (5 November 1923) from Rev. A Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading for two bales of clothing
- To AVRS (5 November 1923) from Geo Fahrenbruch (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading for Dry Goods
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (5 November 1923) from JJ Jaekel, Newark NJ discussing planned shipment of clothing to Germany
- To John Rohrig/AVRS (5 November 1923) from John Hilduer (?), Eustis Nebraska (German). Page 2 Bill of Lading
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (5 November 1923) from John Jaekel Jr., Newark NJ discussing planned shipment of clothing to Germany
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (7 November 1923) from John Jaekel Jr., Newark NJ discussing visit with German Counsel of New York City

To Frank Kroening, Walla Walla Washington (7 November 1923) from HJ Amen discussing planned shipment of clothing

To Rev. F Engelmann, Tangier Oklahoma (8 November 1923) from GJ Schmidt discussing problem that occurred when sending money to Russia. Page 2 letter (30 October 1923) Engelmann to Schmidt (German)

To John Rohrig/AVRS (8 November 1923) postcard from Rev. HH Hackman, Columbus Nebraska about clothing to be shipped

To German Consular, Chicago Illinois (9 November 1923) from HJ Amen discussing planned shipment of clothing to Germany

To HJ Amen/AVRS (9 November 1923) from John Jaekel, Newark NJ discussing planned shipment of clothing to Germany

To HJ Amen/AVRS (10 November 1923) from David Kisler, Denver Colorado (German) page 1 & 2

To John Rohrig/AVRS (10 November 1923) postcard from FG Frick (?), Plattsmouth Nebraska

To John Rohrig/AVRS (10 November 1923) from Mrs. Sophie Kuhlmann, Auburn Nebraska (German)

Bill of Lading (12 November 1923) for eight barrels of clothing shipped by H Schaffer, Chicago Illinois

To HJ Amen/AVRS (12 November 1923) from Henry Hein, Hastings Nebraska about clothing being shipped

To John Rohrig/AVRS (12 November 1923) from Rev. WFG Heuer, Hebron Nebraska (German)

To Fred Betz, Campbell Nebraska (13 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$17.20 contribution. Page 2 letter (9 November 1923) Fred Betz, Henry Koch Sr., JP Adler to Stroh

To Alex Krieger, Milliken Colorado (13 November 1923) from HJ Amen with acknowledgment of \$51 contribution

To AVRS (13 November 1923) from JP Hohnstein (German) page 1 & 2

Bill of Lading for goods shipped by JP Hohnstein. Page 2 Bill of Lading for goods shipped by JP Hohnstein

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (14 November 1923) from HJ Amen thanking Fresno for clothing shipment

To Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado (14 November 1923) from HJ Amen discussing clothing shipment and Mr. Volz trip

To Kasper Herdt, Lincoln Nebraska (14 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$2 contribution

To Rev. HH Heuer, Hebron Nebraska from HJ Amen discussing clothing shipment

To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (14 November 1923) from HJ Amen discussing clothing shipment for Germany

To HJ Amen/AVRS (15 November 1923) from German Consulate General, Chicago Illinois recommending AVRS clothing shipment be shipped to the German Red Cross

To Richard Goehring, Grand Island Nebraska (15 November 1923) from John Rohrig/AVRS about clothing shipment. Page 2 letter (14 November 1923) Goehring to Rohrig (German)

To Mrs. Wm Kruse, Katemcy Texas (15 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$10 contribution. Page 2 letter (8 November 1923) Kruse to AVRS (German)

To JP Hohnstein, Ft. Morgan Colorado (16 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$23 contribution and discussion of clothing shipment for Germany

To John Rohrig/AVRS (18 November 1923) from Mrs. Fred Geiser, Buringame California (German)

To John Rohrig/AVRS (18 November 1923) from Richard Goehring, Grand Island Nebraska

To Adam Herdt, Chadron Nebraska (19 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$3 contribution. Page 2 letter (15 November 1923) Herdt to AVRS (German)

To Hon. Herbert Hoover, Washington DC (19 November 1923) from HJ Amen asking if AVRS can place a worker at Ellis Island. Page 2 letter (27 November 1923) Hoover response to Amen – referring matter to Secretary of Labor

To Rev. A Fuenning, Scottsbluff Nebraska (19 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5.75 contribution for freight costs

To John Rohrig/AVRS (20 November 1923) from HH Hackmann, Columbus Nebraska about clothing shipment and lack of response from AVRS. Page 2 Bill of Lading from Hackmann shipment

To Jacob Gettmann, Berthoud Colorado (21 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Henry Ketcher and brother in Walter Kutor because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Maria Kammerzell, Bellingham Washington (21 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Henry Kammerzell in Frank because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To Jacob Hoelzer, Sidney Montana (21 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Heinrich Hodzer, Heinrich Hoelzer and Heinrich Heffniter in Norka because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To JJ Hofferber, Lincoln Nebraska (21 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Geo Klein and Geo Stroh in Frank Russia because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (22 November 1923) from HJ Amen describing clothing shipped to New York for delivery to Germany

To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (22 November 1923) from JJ Stroh referring to Jaekel letter of 29 October about the bale of clothing not delivered to colony Wiesenmueller

To Henry Grasmick, Lincoln Nebraska (23 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Johannes Kaiser in Balzer Russia because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there. Page 2 note describing funds to be sent to Kaiser in Balzer, house 170

To John Kaiser, Lincoln Nebraska (23 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with return of money that could not be delivered to Johannes Kaiser, Anna Maria Rohrig, Amelia Weber and Anna Maria Rockel in Balzer because Mr. Volz and the ARA are no longer there

Shipping papers (28 November 1923) from Luckenbach Line for clothing shipped from Portland to AVRS/Newark NJ, page 1 & 2

To Phillip Groh, Chicago Illinois (24 November 1923) from JJ Stroh confirming clothing he sent has arrived. Page 2 letter (12 November 1923) Groh to Amen/AVRS (German)

To John Rohrig/AVRS (24 November 1923) from Geo Hoffman, McLeansboro Illinois. Page 2 Bill of Lading from American Express for items shipped by Hoffman

To Rev. HH Hackmann, Columbus Nebraska (24 November 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$3.65 for freight costs. Page 2 letter (7 November 1923) Hackmann to Rohrig

To Conrad Kechter, Loveland Colorado (24 November 1923) from AVRS stating the \$15 for Henry John Scheidemann in Balzar was delivered as intended

To AVRS (27 November 1923) from Rev. L Gehret, Lamar Colorado (German)

To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (29 November 1923) from HJ Amen with details about clothing to be shipped on SS Thuringia

To John Jaekel, Newark NJ (30 November 1923) from AVRS: letter introduces Rev. Richard Kuehne as AVRS representative to accompany clothing shipment to Germany

To HJ Amen/AVRS (30 November 1923) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey discussing planned Germany shipment

To Hon. Herbert Hoover, Washington DC (30 November 1923) from HJ Amen: letter introduces Rev. Richard Kuehne as AVRS representative

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To John Gettman, Hastings Nebraska (3 December 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$50 contribution. Page 2 letter (23 November 1923) Gettman to Stroh (German)

To Mrs. Mary Geiger, Atco New Jersey (4 December 1923) from J Rohrig acknowledging clothing shipment was received. Page 2 letter (27 November 1923) Mrs. Geiger to Rohrig (German)

To AVRS (5 December 1923) from Mrs. John Schlenkel, Muscatine Iowa asking if clothing can be sent to Denhoff

Shipping papers (5 December 1923) for AVRS clothing to Germany on SS Thuringia, page 1 & 2

To HJ Amen/AVRS (6 December 1923) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey describing shipment completion and the visit by Rev. Kuehne with the President of the United States, page 1 & 2

To Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado (6 December 1923) from HJ Amen explaining Rev. Kuehne's role

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (6 December 1923) from HJ Amen explaining Rev. Kuehne's role

To John Rohrig/AVRS (6 December 1923) from Rev. HL Greenawalt, Allen Nebraska – letterhead includes image of church

To John Stroh/AVRS (10 December 1923) from United American Lines Chicago Illinois with receipt from German Red Cross. Page 2 receipt from German Red Cross for \$250

To German Red Cross, Berlin Germany (10 December 1923) from HJ Amen discussing clothing shipment and Rev. Kuehne

To German Red Cross, Berlin Germany (11 December 1923) from HJ Amen with additional shipment details. Page 2 telegram to German Red Cross from AVRS

To HJ Amen/AVRS (11 December 1923) from Verwaltung Versorgungsheim Gettorf, Schleswig-Holstein Germany (German) page 1 & 2

To German Red Cross (11 December 1923) from HJ Amen with request for delivery of parcel to Frau Else Klein in Berlin. Page 2 letter (5 December 1923) from Volga Relief Society (German)

- To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (11 December 1923) from HJ Amen discussing the shipment to Germany and plans for a second shipment. Page 2 Bill of Lading of goods shipped by AVRS
- To GF Schmidt/AVRS (12 December 1923) telegram from TOF Herzer, Winnipeg Manitoba Canada, about plans of Lutheran Immigration Board to bring additional Volga German refugees to Manitoba
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (14 December 1923) telegram from TOF Herzer, Winnipeg Manitoba Canada, about meeting to discuss Volga German refugees. Page 2 note about meeting not possible and must discuss the matter in Executive Meeting
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (14 December 1923) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey, discussing planning for another shipment. Page 2 copy of affidavit form used for Germany shipment
- To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (18 December 1923) from HJ Amen encouraging California to continue the support previously provided to the mission of the society
- To AVRS (18 December 1923) from Conrad ?, Ramona Kansas (German)
- To Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado (19 December 1923) from HJ Amen about new food drive for Germany
- To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (20 December 1923) from HJ Amen with confirmation Rev. Kuhne arrived safely with the clothing in Hamburg Germany
- To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (20 December 1923) from HJ Amen with confirmation Rev. Kuhne arrived safely with the clothing in Hamburg Germany
- To Grainger Brothers Company, Lincoln Nebraska (24 December 1923) from Mrs. HJ Amen thanking them for donation of coffee for the dinner at Park School on 24 November 1923
- To AVRS (27 December 1923) from P Hoffman (German) page 1 & 2
- To AVRS (29 December 1923) from Geo Fahrenbruch, Culbertson Nebraska (German) page 1 & 2
- To Mrs. Helena Kilzer, Germantown Nebraska (31 December 1923) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$2 contribution. Page 2 letter (26 December 1923) Helena Kilzer to AVRS (German)

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- To Henry Amen/AVRS (2 January 1924) from John Amen, Hastings Nebraska, page 1 & 2
- To Atlantic Branch/AVRS (3 January 1924) from Scott Berryman, Luckenbach Steamship Company, Brooklyn NY
- To John Rohrig/AVRS (3 January 1924) from Rev. P Lukas, Clyde Missouri asking about food shipments to Germany
- To AVRS: envelope (3 January 1924) from Rev. Geo H Graf, Berthoud Colorado containing \$48.50
- To AVRS (7 January 1924) from Rev. R Kuehne, Berlin Germany: page 1 & 2 of 8 (German)
- To AVRS (7 January 1924) from Rev. R Kuehne, Berlin Germany: page 3 & 4 of 8 (German)
- To AVRS (7 January 1924) from Rev. R Kuehne, Berlin Germany: page 5 & 6 of 8 (German)
- To AVRS (7 January 1924) from Rev. R Kuehne, Berlin Germany: page 6 (another page 6) of 8 (German)



To AVRS (7 January 1924) from Rev. R Kuehne, Berlin Germany: page 7 of 8 (German)

To C Grothen, Junita Nebraska (9 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$9 for flour to be shipped to Germany. Page 2 letter Grothen to Rohrig (German)

To Adam Weber, Litchfield Nebraska (9 January 1924) from HJ Amen discussing shipment of food to Germany. Page 2 letter (4 January 1924) Weber to John Rohrig/AVRS (German)

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (9 January 1924) from HJ Amen discussing food shipment planned for Germany

To Rev. RJ Vose, Gilead Nebraska (9 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$4.50 contribution. Page 2 letter (3 January 1924) Vose to Rohrig (German)

To Mrs. Louis Lass, Nashville Michigan (10 January 1924) from J Rohrig discussing how food may be shipped to Germany. Page 2 letter (5 January 1924) Mrs. Lass to AVRS (German)

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (10 January 1924) from HJ Amen asking that California chapter actively supports the food drive

To Fred Fritzler, Grover Colorado (10 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution for German food

Press release (10 January 1924) sent to Lincoln Freie Press from HJ Amen/AVRS

To AVRS (11 January 1924) from ?? (German) page 1 & 2

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (11 January 1924) from HJ Amen discussing current plans of the AVRS

To John Amen, Hastings Nebraska (13 January 1924) from HJ Amen discussing how to sent money to sister in Russia

To HJ Amen/AVRS (14 January 1924) from Heinrick Loebserk (?), Grand Island Nebraska (German) page 1 & 2

To M Hotes, Alder Washington (15 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution. Page 2 postcard (7 January 1924) Hotes to AHSGR

To John Rohrig/AVRS (15 January 1924) from Mrs. M Whitehead, Batesville Indiana, for Mrs. Henry Huffmeyer, page 1 & 2

To Henry Lebsack (15 January 1924) from HJ Amen/AVRS describing membership in AVRS

To Rev. JP Wagner, Crete Nebraska (16 January 1924) from HJ Amen about Ebenezer church and the church future

To Katie Hoffman (16 January 1924) from HJ Amen about shipment of a package to the Ruhr District in Germany. Page 2 letter (13 January 1924) Hoffman to AVRS (German)

Custom Declaration tag for Hoffman parcel to be shipped to Jakob Wiebach, Dusseldorf Germany, page 1 & 2

To HJ Amen/AVRS (16 January 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey with quotations for food stuffs, page 1 & 2

To Rev. R Kuehne, Berlin Germany (16 January 1924) from HJ Amen responding to Kuehne letter of 23 December 1923

To John Rohrig/AVRS (17 January 1924) telegram from John Wagner asking for inventory of shipped clothing

To Mrs. Laura Gumprecht, Omaha Nebraska from HJ Amen discussing shipment of clothing to Germany. Page 2 letter (no date) Gumprecht to AVRS (German)

To Rev. John Hoelzer, Denver Colorado (18 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$10 contribution. Page 2 letter (16 January 1924) Hoelzer to AVRS (German)

Cash Sale bill from Gooch Milling & Elevator, Lincoln Nebraska (19 January 1924)

To Mrs. Helene Stapper, San Antonio Texas (21 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$17.50 for food

To Mrs. Henry Huffmeyer, Batesville Indiana (21 January 1924) with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution for food. Page 2 envelope of mail from Mrs. Huffmeyer

To Mrs. G Hirtzel, Redfield South Dakota (21 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$2 contribution for food. Page 2 letter (17 January 1924) and envelope Hirtzel to Rohrig (German)

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (21 January 1924) from HE Lidman/Royal mail Steam Packet Co about fees for German food shipments

To Mrs. Fred Lebsack, Lincoln Nebraska (21 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$50 contribution for food

To Herman Goecke, Lincoln Nebraska (21 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$1 contribution for food. Page 2 note (no date) Goecke to AVRS

To Robert Vinneman, Lincoln Nebraska (21 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution for food

To Rev. Jacob Kessler, Hanna Alta Canada (22 January 1924) from HJ Amen with acknowledgment of \$10 contribution for food. Page 2 letter (16 January 1924) Kessler to Roehrig (German)

To Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher, Santa Rosa California (22 January 1924) from HJ Amen with thanks for clothing to be shipped to Germany. Page 2 letter (16 January 1924) Fisher to AVRS (German)

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (23 January 1924) from HJ Amen - letter of introduction for Frederick Klein sailing on the SS Orduna for Hamburg

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (24 January 1924) from HJ Amen about next shipment of food to Germany, page 1 & 2 of 3

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (24 January 1924) from HJ Amen about next shipment of food to Germany, page 3 of 3

To R Spies, St. Louis Missouri (24 January 1924) from John Roehrig discussing how to send foodstuffs to Germany. Page 2 letter (20 January 1924) Spies to Rohrig (German)

To Atlantic Branch/AVRS (26 January 1924) from United American Lines acknowledging payment of ocean freight costs. Page 2 Bill of lading for shipment

Bill of lading from United American Lines/Hamburg-American Lines for goods being shipped to Germany (11 January 1924)

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (25 January 1924) from HJ Amen discussing details of planned Germany shipment

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (25 January 1924) from HJ Amen sending copy of Rev. Kuehne report

To JJ Urich, Lincoln Nebraska (25 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$10 contribution for food from the Ebenezer Church

To Mrs. D Winerschmidt, Stemmers Run Maryland (25 January 1924) with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution for food. Page 2 letter (19 January 1924) Winerschmidt to Roehrig (German)

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (29 January 1924) from HJ Amen discussing next shipment to Germany. Page 2 letter (25 January 1924) Jaekel to Amen discussing a way to reduce shipping costs of goods from Portland to Germany  
To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (29 January 1924) from HJ Amen asking for response to prior messages and asking for assistance to support the next food drive  
To Dr. JF Krieger, Fremont Nebraska (30 January 1924) from HJ Amen asking for list of congregations with German-Russian relatives  
To "Der Kirchenbote", Redfield South Dakota (31 January 1924) from HJ Amen asking for materials to be published the paper  
To August Wagner, Pittsburg Pennsylvania (31 January 1924) from John Rohrig describing how food can be shipped to friends in Germany. Page 2 letter (28 January 1924) Wagner to Rohrig (German)  
To Henry Wolf, Berthoud Colorado (31 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5 contribution for food. Page 2 letter (28 January 1924) Wolf to Rohrig (German)

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Box 6, Folder 10, February 1924

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (1 Feb 1924) from HJ Amen with copies of semi-annual report  
To Andrew Gackle, Watkins Montana (1 Feb 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$21.50 contribution for food. Page 2 letter (25 January 1924) Gackle to AVRS (German)  
To R Spiess, St. Louis Missouri (1 Feb 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$4.50 to be sent to person in Germany. Page 2 letter (29 January 1924) Spiess to AVRS (German)  
To HJ Amen/AVRS (2 February 1924) from Wm. Kerner, Fresno California about the meeting that will be held  
Bill (2 February 1924) from George Strasheim Hardware Store, Lincoln; paid 27 February  
To HJ Amen/AVRS (4 February 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey about arrangements for shipping food to Germany, page 1 & 2  
Attached to Jaekel 4 February letter: invoice (2 February 1924) from Adolf Gobel for delivery alongside steamer  
Attached to Jaekel 4 February letter: invoice (4 February 1924) from Austin, Nichols & Co for foodstuffs  
To HJ Amen/AVRS (4 February 1924) from JK Krueger, Fremont Nebraska sending list of congregations having German-Russian descendants  
To Colorado Herald, Denver Colorado (5 February 1924) from HJ Amen asking for articles to be printed in newspaper  
To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (5 February 1924) from HJ Amen discussing next shipment to Germany  
To Mrs. Sophie Lampe, Otay California (5 February 1924) from HJ Amen describing how food may be sent to persons in Germany. Page 2 letter (23 January 1924) Mrs. Lampe to Amen (German)  
To Mrs. Laura Gumprecht, Omaha Nebraska (5 February 1924) from John Rohrig about clothing shipment to Germany. Page 2 letter (30 January 1924) Mrs. Gumprecht to Rohrig (German)

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (6 February 1924) from HJ Amen discussing next shipment to Germany and that Rev Kuehne must receive copy of Bill of Lading before the shipment arrives

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (6 February 1924) from HJ Amen about the planned meetings in Fresno

To AVRS (7 February 1924) from Mrs. H Stapper, San Antonio Texas, with \$66 and instructions to whom the food is to be distributed in Germany. A newspaper clipping with an AVRS press release included with the letter.

To AVRS (8 February 1924) from John Stover (German)

To Henry Wieters, SR, Odell Nebraska (8 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of funds for flour to be sent to Germany and delivered to Witwe Kitter. Page 2 letter (6 February 1924) Lincoln Freie Presse (for Henry Wieters) to Rohrig

To August Wagner, Pittsburg Pennsylvania (8 February 1924) form JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of funds for flour to be delivered to person in Germany. Page 2 letter (6 February 1924) Wagner to Rohring (German)

Description of goods being shipped to Germany (9 February 1924) from The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company on SS Orduna

To H Spiese, St. Louis Missouri (8 February 1924) from HJ Amen explaining there is no guarantee items shipped to Germany will be delivered. Page 2 letter (5 February 1924) Spiese to AVRS (German)

To AVRS (9 February 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey, with accounting of payments and goods purchased for shipment

To C Grothen, Junita Nebraska (9 January 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$9 for flour to be shipped to Germany. Page 2 letter Grothen to Rohrig (German)

To John Rohrig/AVRS (11 February 1924) from Lincoln Freie Presse, for Mrs. Carrie Schiff, Clay City Illinois, with money order for \$4.50 to purchase 196 pounds flour

To John Rohrig (12 February 1924) from Theo Haar, West Frankford/Frankfort Illinois (German) page 1 & 2

To John Rohring/AVRS (12 February 1924) from Mrs. Wilhelm Lueders, Martinsville, New York (German)

To Mrs. Helene Stapper, San Antonio Texas (12 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$66 received for flour and bacon to be sent to persons identified in her letter

To H Spiese, St. Louis Missouri (12 February 1924) from HJ Amen again explaining there is no guarantee food sent to an individual in Germany will be delivered even though the best attempt will be made to do so. Page 2 letter (9 February 1924) Spiese to AVRS (German)

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (13 February 1924) from HJ Amen asking to help resolve a claim from Henry Ruppel of Tangier Oklahoma

To United American Lines, Chicago Illinois (13 February 1924) from JJ Stroh asking for assistance to make a reservation on the SS Westphalia sailing 6 March or the SS Detschland

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (13 February 1924) from HJ Amen asking for list of candidate village names for funds to be sent to orphans in the Volga district

To Geo Ulbricht, Rylie, Dallas county, Texas (13 February 1924) from HJ Amen explaining how to send food to individuals in Germany and that there is no guarantee the food will be delivered. Page 2 letter (11 February) Ulbricht to AHSGR (German)

To United States Lines, Chicago Illinois (13 February 1924) from HJ Amen asking about rates for next shipment to Germany

United American Lines brochure, attached to Amen 13 February letter, page 1 & 2

United States Lines Sailing Schedule, attached to Amen 13 February letter, page 1 & 2

North German Lloyd Proposed Sailing brochure, attached to Amen 13 February letter, page 1 & 2

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (13 February 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to resolve claim from Con Miller about clothing parcel to be delivered to Emanuel Schleicher in Norga/Norka

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (13 February 1924) from HJ Amen about arrangements for next shipment to Germany

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (14 February 1924) from John Hoelzer, Denver Colorado (German)

To Theo Haar, West Frankfort Illinois (14 February 1924) from John Rohrig describing how to prepare clothing for shipment to Germany

To AVRS (14 February 1924) from Mrs. Sophie Lampe, Otay California about sending money for flour

To AVRS (14 February 1924) from Jakob Hoff, Okeene Oklahoma (German)

To Alex Froscheiser, Kesline Wyoming (14 February 1924) from HJ Amen sending 50 empty burlap sacks

To Henry Zeps, Jasonville Indiana (14 February 1924) from John Rohrig describing how flour can be sent to folks in Germany

To HJ Amen/AVRS (15 February 1924) postcard from Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (German)

Press Release (15 February 1924) from HJ Amen about second shipment of food supplies into Germany

To HJ Amen/AVRS (16 February 1924) telegram from John Jaekel about plans and rates for shipment to Germany

To John Rohrig/AVRS (18 February 1924) from Mrs. Laura Gumprecht, Omaha Nebraska (German) page 1 & 2

To Wm Werner, Mound City South Dakota (19 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$8 for food in Germany. Page 2 letter (14 February 1924) OJ Tiede, for Wm Werner, to Schmidt/AVRS (German)

To Jacob Hoff, Okeene Oklahoma (19 February 1924) from HJ Amen about food drafts not delivered to Russia. Page 2 letter (11 February 1924) Hoff to AVRS (German)

To Mrs. Laura Gumprecht (19 February 1924) from HJ Amen about clothing bundle received

To Rev. JP Flemmer, Bethune Colorado (19 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$41.50 for food in Germany. Page 2 letter (15 February 1924) Flemmer to AVRS (German)

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (19 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$22.11 for food in Germany. Page 2 letter (17 February 1924) Volz to Stroh (German)

To Editor (paper not identified) (19 February 1924) from ??/AVRS (German) page 1 & 2

To German Red Cross (An das Deutsche Rote Kreuz), Berlin Germany (20 February 1924) from GJ Schmidt (German)

Invoice from Morrell & Company, Lincoln Nebraska (20 February 1924) for foodstuffs

To John Rohrig/AVRS (20 February 1924) from Joe Gerber, Paris Arkansas (German) page 1 & 2

To Johan Roehrig/AVRS (20 February 1924) from B Gaertner, Premont Texas (German) page 1 & 2

To United American Lines, Chicago Illinois (20 February 1924) from JJ Stroh discussing 6 March shipment to Germany. Page 2 letter (15 February 1924) United American Lines to JJ Stroh with rates for shipment

To AVRS (20 February 1924) from J Schwabenland, Windsor Colorado (German)

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (20 February 1924) from HJ Amen about March shipment to Germany

To HJ Amen/AVRS (20 February 1924) from John Miller, Portland Oregon discussing plans for Portland convention

To AVRS (21 February 1924) from Rev. Richard Kuhne, Charluffenburg (?) Germany (German)

To AVRS (21 February 1924) from C Schlegel, Berlin Germany (German) page 1 & 2

To John Seibel, Bach Michigan (21 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$4.50 for food in Germany

To Mrs. Casper Sorgen, Kenton Ohio (21 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$2 for food in Germany

To German Red Cross (21 February 1924) from HJ Amen describing March shipment of food to Germany

To P Grethel, San Francisco California (21 February 1924) from HJ Amen about shipping food to friends in Germany. Page 2 letter (18 February 1924) Grethel to Rohrig (German)

To United American Lines, Chicago Illinois (22 February 1924) from JJ Stroh discussing concern and possible confusion about planned shipment in the SS Westphalia. Page 2 telegram (21 February 1924) United American Lines to AVRS

To AVRS (22 February 1924) from F Klein, Hamburg Germany (German) page 1 & 2

To AVRS (22 February 1924) from Joseph Grobmeier, Harlan Iowa (German) page 1 & 2

Invoice (23 February 1924) from Gooch Milling & Elevator Company, Lincoln Nebraska for foodstuffs

To HJ Amen/AVRS (23 February 1924) from United States Lines with shipping rates New York to Bremen

Press Release (23 February 1924) from AVRS about second food shipment to Germany

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (25 February 1924) from F Zahl, Elgin North Dakota (German)

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (25 February 1924) from HJ Amen with details of shipment for SS Westphalia

To AVRS (25 February 1924) from C Grassman (?) Tacoma Washington (German)

To German Red Cross (25 February 1924) from HJ Amen describing shipment on SS Westphalia for Hamburg

To AVRS (26 February 1924) from Mrs. H Hetterman, Peoria Illinois with \$1 for food relief fund

To US Lines, Chicago Illinois (26 February 1924) from HJ Amen explaining that other arrangements have been made for shipment of food to Germany because of the late response from US Lines

To Jacob Hoff, Okeene Oklahoma (26 February 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to resolve the problem of the draft that was not delivered as planned

To Joe Grohmeier, Harlan Iowa (27 February 1924) from HJ Stroh about shipment of foodstuffs to Germany

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (27 February 1924) from HJ Amen about Portland convention 13-15 June

To Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado (27 February 1924) from HJ Amen about Portland convention

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (27 February 1924) from HJ Amen about Portland convention

To JW Miller, Portland Oregon (27 February 1924) from HJ Amen about Portland convention

To B Gaerdner, Premont Texas (27 February 1924) from John Rohrig that the second food shipment to Germany has already been shipped. AVRS will assist in getting additional food and clothing to friends if desired

To Karl Kauf, Hastings Nebraska (28 February 1924) from John Roehrig confirming the smoked meat from Kauf was included in the shipment to Germany. Page 2 letter (27 February 1924) Kauf to Rohring (German)

To Jacob Wolf, Berthoud Colorado (29 February 1924) with acknowledgment of \$5.75 contribution. Page 2 letter (27 February 1924 Wolf to Stroh (German)

To Rev. Richard Kuehne/AVRS-Lincoln Nebraska (29 February 1924) from Zentralvorstand des Oberlinvereins/Dr. Hoppe (?) (German) page 1 & 2, large format folded

Herzlicher Gruss, Dank und Bitte pamphlet included with Zentralvorstand des Oberlinvereins letter

Ein Brief und Gurfss aus dem Taubstummen-Blindenheim ze Nowawes an alle gesunden Kinder pamphlet included with Zentralvorstand des Oberlinvereins letter

37.Bericht über die Krüppelfflege des Obrlinhauses in Nowawes, January 1924, multiple page pamphlet included with Zentralvorstand des Oberlinvereins letter

To Rev. Richard Kuehne/AVRS-Lincoln Nebraska (29 February 1924) from ?? (German)

To R Hilkerbaumer, Muscatine Iowa (29 February 1924) from John Rohrig describing plans for third shipment to Germany. Page 2 letter (24 January 1924) Hilkerbaumer to Rohrig (German)

To Rev. C Graumann, Tacoma Washington (29 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$20 contribution

To Rev. F Zahl, Elgin North Dakota (29 February 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$32 contribution

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (29 February 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to resolve claim for \$170 given to the Schulmeiseter in Balzer for distribution

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Box 7, Folder 11, March 1924

To AVRS (among March 1924 documents) from Pastor Tuelloellmann (?), Tangier Oklahoma (German) page 1 & 2 of 4

To AVRS (among March 1924 documents) from Pastor Tuelloellmann (?), Tangier Oklahoma (German) page 3 & 4 of 4

To John Roehrig/AVRS (2 March 1924) frm HG Martens, Moorefield Nebraska asking about cloth and food shipments to Germany, page 1 & 2

To AVRS (2 March 1924) from Jacob Diel, Rocky Ford Colorado (German) page 1 & 2

To AVRS (3 March 1924) from FW Gross, Northfield Minnesota with \$4 and names of contributors for village Stahl

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (3 March 1924) from HJ Amen informing him Rev. Kuehne will soon return to New York

To HJ Amen (3 March 1924) from Conrad Koehler reporting no attendance at Portland convention, page 1 & 2

To Jacob Hoff, Okeene Oklahoma (3 March 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to resolve question of how \$20.85 draft was used

To Rev. Emil F Warkentien, St Paul Minnesota (5 March 1924) from HJ Amen with appeal for support of collection for Germany shipment

To Rev. J Peter Wagner, Crete Nebraska (5 March 1924) from HJ Amen with appeal for support of collection for Germany shipment

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (5 March 1924) from HJ Amen apologizing for action of Mr. Klein with promise to investigate and obtain payment for Jaekel

To Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado (March 5 1924) from HJ Amen asking for convention plans to be publicized

To HJ Amen/AVRS (6 March 1924) telegram from John Jackel, Newark New Jersey, about Rev. Kuehne arrival

To John Jaekel Newark New Jersey (7 March 1924) from HJ Amen with confirmation of Kuehne arrival date

To Henry Kern, Milliken Colorado (7 March 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$30.70 contribution and distribution to Germany and Russia. Page 2 letter (no date) Kern to AVRS (German)

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (7 March 1924) from HJ Amen about change in Rev. Kuehne arrival date

To Rev. R Kuehne/AVRS (7 March 1924) from German Red Cross (German)

To Rev. Carl Green, Sidney Montana (7 March 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$30 contribution from Watkins Gemeinde. Page 2 letter, Green to Stroh/AVRS (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (10 March 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey, explaining shipment date

To Rev. Ferdinand Zahl, Elgin North Dakota (10 March 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$11 contribution from Philadelphia Gemeinde of New Leipzig. Page 2 letter (5 March 1924) Zahl to Stroh (German)

To Rev. Geo Kissler, Trochu Alta Canada (10 March 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$115 contribution and the sending churches. Page 2 letter (6 March 1924) Kissler to Stroh (German)

To Editor (no newspaper identified) (10 March 1924) from HJ Amen with request to publish a news note about Rev. Kuehne

To F Klein, Berlin Germany (11 March 1924) from HJ Amen explaining status of latest shipment to Germany and reminding him the money borrowed from Mr. Jaekel is expected to be repaid

To German Red Cross, Berlin Germany (11 March 1924) from HJ Amen with details about latest shipment to Germany

To Mrs. Joe Gerber, Paris Arkansas (11 March 1924) from HJ Amen saying clothing parcel will be welcomed

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (11 March 1924) from Rev. F Zahl (German)

To Rev. Wm Lbos, Omaha Nebraska (12 March 1924) from GJ Schmidt explaining a fourth shipment to Germany may not occur but the plans are not complete because the third was just shipped

To TOF Herzer, from Superintendent of Colonization office, Montreal Quebec Canada (12 March 1924) from HJ Amen explaining AVRS is not financially able to assist with the immigration of new Volga Germans to Canada and suggests



German-Russian descendants in Western Canada be organized to provide the needed support. Page 2 letter (8 March 1924) TOF Herzer to AVRS

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (13 March 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to resolve the questions about \$170 distribution to Balzer and \$217 from Oklahoma

To Rev. Carl Green, Sidney Montana (14 March 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$16.81 contribution from Ebenezer Gemeinde of Sidney. Page 2 letter (10 March 1924) Green to Stroh (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (14 March 1924) from Rev. Jacob Volz, York Nebraska about \$217 matter, (German)

To John Stroh/AVRS 14 March 1924) from United American Lines, Chicago Illinois, asking about distribution of funds to Pastors Bodelschwingh and Kindler

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (14 March 1924) from HJ Amen about Klein matter and the drive in behalf of orphans in the Volga District

To AVRS (14 March 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey sending Bill of Lading for shipment on SS Thuringia and informing AVRS that Kuehne left Germany on 13 March on the SS A Ballin

Bill of Lading (13 March 1923) sent with Jaekel letter of 14 March

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (14 March 1924) from HJ Amen describing travel plans of Rev. Kuehne

To Wentel Hamburg, Wheeler Washington (14 March 1924) from HJ Amen explaining clothing and cash should be sent prepaid to 335 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln Nebraska. Page 2 postcard (? March 1924) Hamburg to Roehrig (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (14 March 1924) from Jacob Volz, York Nebraska about \$170 matter (German)

To Schulmeister Stieben, Balzer Russia (18 March 1924) from HJ Amen about \$170 matter (German)

To AVRS (17 March 1924) from German Red Cross (German)

To Rev. Fred Engelman, Tangier Oklahoma (18 March 1924) from HJ Amen about \$217 matter

To Professor Peter Sinner, Saratov Russia (18 March 1924) from HJ Amen with request to investigate the \$170 and \$217 matters (German)

To German Red Cross, Berlin Germany (18 March 1924) from HJ Amen discussing plans of shipment on SS Thuringia

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (19 March 1924) from HJ Amen with payment for freight charges and statement that Volga District orphan drive is not yet very successful

To AVRS (19 March 1924) from German Red Cross (German)

To Pastor Ferdinand Wacker, Norga/Norka Russia (19 March 1924) from HJ Amen (German). Page 2 envelope containing Dominion Express currency ticket receipts for Pastor Wacker for \$459.68

To Pastor Johannes Erbus, Kukus Russia (19 March 1924) from HJ Amen (German). Page 2 envelope containing Dominion Express currency ticket receipts for Pastor Johannes Erbus for \$720.46

To Pastor Johannes Kosciel, Gnadenthau, Russia (20 March 1924) from HJ Amen (German). Page 2 envelope containing Dominion Express currency ticket receipts for Pastor Johannes Kosciel for \$399.80

To HJ Amen/AVRS (20 March 1924) from United American Lines, Chicago Illinois with thanks

To Pastor Arthur Gluck, Frank Russia (20 March 1924) from HJ Amen (German). Page 2 envelope containing Dominion Express currency receipt tickets for Pastor Arthur Gluck for \$499.46

To Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (21 March 1924) from HJ Amen explaining Mr. Volz gave the funds to Rev. Moellmann in Dittel. The investigation is continuing and if any mistakes were made, AVRS will refund the money or resend it as desired by you. Page 2 letter (10 February 1924) Ruppel to AVRS (German)

To Pastor Arthur Gluck, Frank Russia (21 March 1924) from HJ Amen (German).  
Page 2 names and addresses attached to the letter in the file

To Pastor F Wagner, Norga/Norka Russia (21 March 1924) from HJ Amen (German)

To AVRS (22 March 1924) from German Red Cross (German)

To AVRS (?) (22 March 1924) from Georg Schneider, M Roth, August Rop, ?, David Shroeder, Frankfurt Germany (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (24 March 1924) from Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (German) page 1 & 2

To Rev. H Heinzelmann, Max North Dakota (24 March 1924) from HJ Amen that letter was forwarded to German Red Cross with request to help parties in letter

To German Red Cross (24 March 1924) forwarding letter from Rev. Heinzelmann with request to help the party identified in the letter

To Rev. Rich Kuehne/AVRS (25 March 1924) from Wadzocha Austads (??), Berlin Germany (German) page 1 & 2

To Mrs. F Geiser, Burlingame California (25 March 1924) from John Roehrig acknowledging package intended for Germany which will be included in fourth shipment. Page 2 letter (17 March 1924) Mrs. Geiser to Rohrig (German)

To David Guenther, Saginaw Michigan (25 March 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$21 contribution. Page 2 letter (22 March 1924) and envelope Guenther to AVRS (German)

Press Release (?) (25 March 1924) from AVRS (German)

Press Release (part of 25 March Press Release file) from HJ Amen about Volga German convention

To Professor Peter Sinner, Saratov Russia (25 March 1924) from HJ Amen (German)

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (26 March 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to publicize drive for support of orphans in Volga District

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (26 March 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to resolve claim about parcel 400 sent by Geo Baker, Havelock Nebraska, to Henry Fred Beker in Eckheim

To Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (28 March 1924) from HJ Amen explaining that Mr. Volz said the funds were given to Rev. Hoelmann and the investigation is continuing. The money will be refunded if necessary

To Rev. John Hoelzer, New York City (28 March 1924) from HJ Amen sending copies of the circular describing the drive for orphan children now underway

To Hillsboro Forwards, Hillsboro Kansas (31 March 1924) from HJ Amen asking for publication of the information about the June 12-15 convention in Portland

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To AVRS (1 April 1924) from Georg Brunner, Odenwald Hessen Germany (German). Page 2 address

To Rev. Richard Kuehne/AVRS (2 April 1924) from German Red Cross, Berlin Germany (German)

To AVRS (3 April 1924) from Wendel Hamburg, Wheeler Washington (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (4 April 1924) from John Hoelzer, New York City (German)

To Henry Hoffman, Berthoud Colorado (4 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$17.50 for the orphans of the Volga District. Page 2 letter (30 March 1924) Hoffman to AVRS (German)

To AVRS (3 April 1924) postcard from Wendel Hamburg, Wheeler Washington (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (7 April 1924) from Friedrich Engelmann (German) page 1 & 2

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (7 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$10 for the orphans of the Volga District

To AVRS (8 April 1924) from Sister Ina Meineke, Bad Oeynhausen Germany (German) page 1 & 2

Christf Erholungsheim Pniel pamphlet and postcard with picture of Pniel - with Meineke letter (German) page 1 & 2

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (8 April 1924) from HJ Amen with contribution information about the drive for orphans

To Wendel Hamburg, Wheeler Washington (8 April 1924) from HJ Amen acknowledging clothing will soon be shipped to Germany

To HH Heimbigner, Cashmere Washington (8 April 1924) with acknowledgment of \$50 for food for Germany. Page 2 letter Heimbigner to Stroh

To David Reichel, Bruce Wisconsin (8 April 1924) with acknowledgment of \$10 for orphans in Dittel (Dorf Oleschna). Page 2 letter Reichel to AVRS (German)

To John Gettmann, Hastings Nebraska (8 April 1924) with acknowledgment of \$45 for orphans in Walter, Kolb, Norka and Frank. Page 2 letter (6 April 1924) Gettmann to Stroh (German)

To Rev. Fr Englemann, Tangier Oklahoma (10 April 1924) from HJ Amen about the \$217 that was to be delivered to Dittel. There is confirmation that the money was given to Pastor Hoelmann in Dittel but the distribution is still being investigated

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (10 April 1924) from HJ Amen that Rev. Kuehne left Hamburg on the SS Cleveland 8 April

To Jacob Stroh (10 April 1924) postcard from Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (German)

To HJ Amen (11 April 1924) from Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (German) page 1 & 2

To Rev. J Horach, Ritzville Washington (11 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$70.64 from members of the Bruederversammlung for orphan children of the Volga District. Page 2 letter (7 April 1924) Horach to Stroh (German)

To H Hoffman, Berthoud Colorado (11 April 1924) from JJ Stroh explaining AVRS will assist in distribution money on the Bergseite. Page 2 letter Hoffman to AVRS (German)

To JJ Stroh (11 April 1924) from Mrs. Fred Lebsack and Ladies of the AVR Society with \$50 contribution to be shared among Frank, Walter, Biedeck, Kolb and Wieseamiller

Note from HJA (HJ Amen) (11 April 1924) about \$10 received from Henry Schmidt of Loveland Colorado. Page 2 letter (18 January 1924) Schmidt to Schmidt (German)

To Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (14 April 1924) from HJ Amen again explaining the Dittel money was left with Rev. Hoelmann of Dittel and AVRS is waiting for a response from him about the matter

To HJ Amen/AVRS (14 April 1924) from Christlicher erein Junger Manneer zu Hamburg, Germany (German) page 1 & 2 of 4

To HJ Amen/AVRS (14 April 1924) from Christlicher erein Junger Manneer zu Hamburg, Germany (German) page 3 & 4 of 4

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (14 April 1924) from HJ Amen about JJ Stroh visit to New York

To AVRS (15 April 1924) from ?? (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (15 April 1924) from Mark Ward/American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Students, Boston Massachusetts about needed support for Orthodox Russian students in Constantinople, page 1 & 2

To Rev. Geo Kissler, Trochu Alta Canada (15 April 1924) from HJ Amen with acknowledgment of \$5 for German food from Alex Erhardt, Mayton Alta Canada. Page 2 letter (10 April 1924) Kissler to Stroh (German)

To Rev. F Ostertag, Scottsbluff Nebraska (16 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$26.50 from the Evangelische Kirche for the orphans of the Volga District. Page 2 letter (10 April 1924) Ostertag to Stroh (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (16 April 1924) from Luella Jones, American Friends Service, Philadelphia Pennsylvania, about Friends work feeding orphans in the Volga region and use of pictures from Friends. Page 2 multi-page pamphlet about food for Russian children

To HJ Amen/AVRS (17 April 1924) from Wm Blonder, Great Northern Railway, about trip planning to Portland convention. Page 2 letter (16 April 1924) EC Leedy to Blonder, same subject

To HJ Amen/AVRS (17 April 1924) telegram from JJ Stroh about arrival of Rev. Kuehne on steamer Cleveland due Sunday

To HJ Amen/AVRS (20 April 1924) telegram from JJ Stroh that Kuehne arrived

To Rev. J Rothenberger, Scottsbluff Nebraska (21 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$66.55 to be distributed to Brunental and Bergseite and Wiesenseite. Page 2 letter (16 April 1924) Rothenberger to HJ Amen (German)

To Henry Schmidt, Loveland Colorado (21 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$54.64 for orphan children in the Bergseite from the First German Congregational Church

To Rev. John Koersch, Grand Island Nebraska (22 April 1924) from HJ Amen with invitation to meet with Rev. Kuehne

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (22 April 1924) from HJ Amen with invitation to meet with Rev. Kuehne

To AVRS (22 April 1924) from Wm Pirslov (?), Estuary Saskatchewan Canada, (German) page 1 & 2

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (23 April 1924) from HJ Amen about plans for Rev. Kuehne return

To Rev. Geo Batt, Laurel Montana (24 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$28 for orphans in Kautz. Page 2 letter (21 April 1924) Batt to Stroh (German)

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (24 April 1924) from George Reh, Newark New Jersey (German) page 1 & 2 of 6

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (24 April 1924) from George Reh, Newark New Jersey (German) page 3 & 4 of 6

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (24 April 1924) from George Reh, Newark New Jersey (German) page 5 & 6 of 6

To Jacob Horst, Pierce Nebraska (24 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$6 from Jacob & Dave Strasheim and Jacob Horst for orphans in Frankerer Chutor

To Wm Kerner, Fresno California (25 April 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to get California Forwards and California Post to print a half page advertisement without expense to AVRS

- To Rev. O Frey, Saginaw Michigan (25 April 1924) from HJ Amen with acknowledgment of \$11.50 contribution for widows and orphans of the Volga District. Page 2 letter (22 April 1924) Frey to AVRS (German)
- To Rev. J Rothenberger, Scottsbluff Nebraska (25 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$16.50 for orphans in the Bergseite and Wiesenseite from the German Congregational Zion Gemeinde in Mitchell. Page 2 letter (21 April 1924) Rothenberger to Stroh (German)
- To Conrad J Scheideman, McCook Nebraska (25 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with funds for maps and orphans in several Russian colonies. Page 2 letter (21 April 1924) Scheideman to Stroh
- To AVRS (27 April 1924) from Mrs. H Stapper, San Antonio Texas asking when the bacon and flour sent to her relatives will be delivered
- To Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (28 April 1924) from HJ Amen that Mr. Volz will assist in determining how the Dittel money was handled. Page 2 letter (13 April 1924) Ruppel to AVRS (German)
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (26 April 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey, about clothing losses reported by persons in recent meeting. Page 2 lists claims and handwritten note explaining Mr. Volz statements
- To AVRS (28 April 1924) from German Red Cross (German)
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (28 April 1924) postcard from Jacob Volz (German)
- To JJ Stroh/AVRS (28 April 1924) from Rev. Geo Batt, Laurel Montana, with explanation of prior \$28 contribution
- To Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska (28 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$18.34 contribution but report of 'not enough funds' for check returned by Farmers State Bank of Culbertson. Explanation hand written at bottom of page
- To Henry Trupp, Irby Washington (29 April 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$6 for orphans in Frank Russia. Page 2 letter (23 April 1924) G Eckardt (for Trupp) to AVRS
- To HJ Amen/AVRS (28 April 1924) from Jacob Cook, Loveland Colorado (German) page 1 & 2
- To Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado (30 April 1924) from HJ Amen with report of JJ Stroh trip to New York and the orphan fund drive
- To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (30 April 1924) from HJ Amen with thanks for help to Rev. Kuehne and JJ Stroh
- To AVRS (30 April 1924) from ? Yauk, Saginaw Michigan (German) page 1 & 2

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Box 7, Folder 13, May 1924

- Hand written notes of "Money for Russia", page 1 & 2 with amount and source of contributions. No date but was among May 1924 materials
- Accounting of funds sent to Pastor Walker/Norga, Pastor Gluck/Frank and Professor Peter Sinner/Saratov in March (?) 1924, page 1 & 2 of 3
- Accounting of funds sent to Pastor Walker/Norga, Pastor Gluck/Frank and Professor Peter Sinner/Saratov in March (?) 1924, page 3 of 3
- 15 Dominion Express foreign currency coupons for Johannes Erbes, May 1924
- Accounting of funds sent to Bergseite, May 1924
- 9 Dominion Express foreign currency coupons for Pastor Frederick Wacker, May 1924

Accounting of funds sent to Wiesenseite. Page 2 envelope for Pastor John Kosciziel ,  
 Gnadenthau with 79 pounds sterling note

9 Dominion Express foreign currency coupons for Pastor John Kosciziel, May 1924

Accounting of funds sent to Bergseite, May 1924, page 1 & 2

12 Dominion Express foreign currency coupons for Pastor Arthur Gluck, May 1924

Accounting of funds sent to Bergseite, May 1924, page 1 & 2

Accounting of funds sent to Wiesenseite, May 1924, page 1 & 2

Accounting of funds sent to Bergseite, May 1924

Accounting of funds with conversion to pounds Sterling

Accounting of funds with conversion to pounds Sterling

Accounting of foodstuffs shipped to Germany (no date but with May files) (German)  
 page 1 & 2

Accounting of foodstuffs shipped to Germany (no date but with May files) (German)

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To Henry Kern, Milliken Colorado (1 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with  
 acknowledgment of \$30 for orphans in Russia

To HH Lose, Estuary Saskatchewan Canada (1 May 1924) from GJ Schmidt with  
 acknowledgment of \$50 contribution

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (2 May 1924) from HJ Amen discussing a group  
 of clothing not delivered claims

To Jacob Cook, Loveland Colorado (2 May 1924) from HJ Amen discussing travel  
 plans for Portland convention

To AVRS (3 May 1924) from John Stenzel, Windsor Colorado with check from  
 Greeley and Windsor meeting

To AVRS (5 May 1924) from JP Hohnstein, Ft. Morgan Colorado with list of  
 contributors, page 1 & 2

To AVRS (5 May 1924) from Kirektorium der frankefschen Stiftungen (German)  
 page 1 & 2

Article included with Kirektorium letter (German) page 1 & 2

To GJ Schmidt/AVRS (5 May 1924) from Bethel bei Bielefeld (German)

To Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska (8 May 1924) from HJ Amen returning a check  
 because of closure of the bank

To John Stenzel, Windsor Colorado (8 May 1924) from HJ Amen with  
 acknowledgment of \$15 from the Greeley and Windsor Brotherhood meeting

To HJ Amen/AVRS (8 May 1924) from Rev. F Engelmann, Tangier Oklahoma  
 (German). Page 2 envelope from Engelmann

To Jacob Walker, Cashmere Washington (8 May 1924) from HJ Amen about plans  
 for the convention

To EE Stroh/AVRS (9 May 1924) from Henry Aménde, Hoskins Nebraska asking about travel to Portland for convention

To Rev. Elias Bernstein, Ruff Washington (9 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$17 for needy in Russia. Page 2 letter (3 May 1924) Bernstein to Jakob Wagner (German)

To Rev. JF Hohnstein, Fort Morgan Colorado (9 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with receipts for the contributors and amounts listed in the Hohnstein 5 May letter

To Andrew Horst, Lincoln Nebraska (9 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with receipts totaling \$12 from persons for the orphans in the Frank Chutor of Volga District

To Phillip Reifschneider, Lincoln Nebraska (9 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of funds from the Kukus people in Lincoln to be sent to orphans in Kukus and Pastor Erbus

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (9 May 1924) from HJ Amen with explanations from Mr. Volz about the claims described in the 26 April letter, page 1 & 2

To Rev. John Braun, Norfolk Nebraska (9 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$33 for orphans in Russia. Page 2 letter (5 May 1924) Braun to Stroh (German)

To Henry Brumgardt, Weatherford Oklahoma (9 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$5 for orphan children in colony Frank

Bill from Adolph Lebsack, Dry Goods, Shoes & Furnishings, Lincoln Nebraska (10 May 1924)

To Rev. John Hopp, Portland Oregon (10 May 1924) from HJ Amen about convention program

To HJ Amen/AVRS (12 May 1924) from Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (German) page 1 & 2

To AVRS (13 May 1924) postcard from R Lsiefs (?), St. Louis Missouri (German)

To Conrad Koehler (13 May 1924) from HJ Amen about convention attendance

To Henry Hoff, Longmont Colorado (13 May 1924) from HJ Amen about traveling to the Portland convention

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (13 May 1924) Mrs. H Stapper, San Antonio Texas; two postcards asking about her two orders for Germany that have not being delivered

To Rev. Fr Engelmann, Tangier Oklahoma (14 May 1924) from HJ Amen with refund of \$217 that was not delivered to persons in Russia because Mr. Volz and the ARA had left the area and the money was returned to AVRS. Page 2 handwritten notes of contributors and amounts involved

Address of the desired distribution in Russia of the \$217 funds (to Pastor Wacker and Pastor Kluck)

To John Miller, Portland Oregon (14 May 1924) from HJ Amen with updates for convention program

To Helene Stapper, San Antonio Texas (14 March 1924) from HJ Amen that the \$17.50 order was delivered as desired but the \$39 for bacon could not be delivered and the letter includes a refund for that amount. Page 2 postcard (7 May 1924) Mrs. Stapper to Rohrig

To AVRS (15 May 1924) Mrs. H Stapper, San Antonio Texas thanking AVRS for letter and asking that her orders be included in the next shipment

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (15 May 1924) from HJ Amen sending Bills of Lading for bales of clothing to be shipped to Germany

To Adolph Lebsack, Lincoln Nebraska (16 May 1924) from HJ Amen asking for the church to send a delegate to Portland convention

To HJ Amen/AVRS (16 May 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey, stating Jaekel will attend the convention

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (16 May 1924) from Henry Amend, Hoskins Nebraska, asking questions about train travel to Portland, page 1 & 2

To Henry Ruppel, Tangier Oklahoma (17 May 1924) from HJ Amen discussing refund checks of \$6 to Ruppel and the \$216 balance, with both of them sent to Rev. Engelmann. This letter in response to Ruppel letter of 12 May

To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (19 May 1924) from HJ Amen with train travel information

To Mrs. Helene Stapper, San Antonio Texas (19 May 1924) from HJ Amen explaining, again, that no additional food shipments are planned for Germany. The prior letter included a \$39 refund for the bacon that could not be delivered

To Henry Amend, Haskings Nebraska (19 May 1924) from HJ Amen with train travel information

To Rev. Wm C Weller, Berthoud Colorado (20 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$39.18 for the benefit of poor children. Contribution is from the Colorado Brueder Versammlung at the First Congregational Church. Page 2 letter (18 May 1924) Weller to Stroh (German)

To Rev. Paul Krumbein, Fresno California (20 May 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$65 for the orphans in the Volga district from the Bruederkonferenz von California. Page 2 letter (7 May 1924) Krumbein to AVRS (German)

To JJ Stroh/AVRS (20 May 1924) from John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (German)

To German Red Cross, Berlin Germany (22 May 1924) from HJ Amen sending correct address for Pauline Raudonat

To Conrad Hock, Lincoln Nebraska (22 May 1924) from HJ Amen encouraging him to attend the convention

To B Ostermiller, Newark New Jersey (22 May 1924) from JJ Stroh encouraging him to attend the convention. Page 2 letter (15 May 1924) Ostermiller to Stroh (German)

To Pastor Schulze, Berlin Germany (22 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German)

To AVRS (23 May 1924) from Rev. John Hoersch, Grand Island Nebraska (German) page 1 & 2

To Pastor W Krause, Berlin Germany (23 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German)

To Rev. John Hoersch, Grand Island Nebraska (26 May 1924) from HJ Amen about travel plans to Portland convention

To Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado (26 May 1924) from HJ Amen encouraging him to attend the convention. Page 2 letter (22 May 1924) Koehler to AVRS

To Geo Fahrenbruch, Culbertson Nebraska (26 May 1924) from HJ Amen about travel plans to the convention. Page 2 letter (23 May 1924) Fahrenbruch to AVRS (German)

To Rev. JH Amen, Greeley Colorado (26 May 1924) from HJ Amen looking forward to seeing him at the convention

To AVRS (26 May 1924) from GF Born, Greeley Colorado (German)

To Pastor Johannes Erbus, Kukus Russia (27 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German) page 1 & 2

To Pastor Johannes Kosciol, Gnadenthau Russia (27 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German) page 1 & 2

To Pastor Ferdinand Wacker, Norga/Norka Russia (27 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German) page 1 & 2

To Pastor Arthur Gluck, Frank Russia (27 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German) page 1 & 2



To JJ Stroh/AVRS (27 May 1924) telegram from Sanderson and Son, Chicago Illinois, about cloting arriving without shipping instructions

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (27 May 1924) from HJ Amen about travel arrangements for the convention

To HJ Amen/AVRS (27 May 1924) from Conrad J Scheideman, McCook Nebraska, stating he will not be at the convention by Adam Gettman and Jacob Rutz will be

To Jacob Cook, Loveland Colorado (29 May 1924) from HJ Amen with travel information to Portland convention. Page 2 letter 26 May 1924 Cook to Lebsack (German)

To AVRS (29 May 1924) from ??, Milliken Colorado (German)

To Henry Hoff, Longmont Colorado (30 May 1924) frm HJ Amen about plans to travel to Portland convention

To Professor Peter Sinner, Saratov Russia (30 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German)

To Pastor Friedrich Wacker, Norga/Norka Russia (30 May 1924) from HJ Amen (German)

To HJ Amen/AVRS (31 May 1924) from Conrad Koehler, Greeley Colorado about Greeley delegates for convention

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Box 7, Folder 14, June through November 1924

To AVRS (2 June 1924) from JJ Ballensky, Rocky Ford Colorado; no chapter representative will be at the convention

To LR Heinen, Care Northern Pacific Railway Co, Kansas City Missouri (4 June 1924) from HJ Amen about travel plans to Portland

To Peter Spahn, Culbertson Nebraska (5 June 1924) from HJ Amen asking again for funds to cover the check that was returned because the Culbertson Bank closed

To Jacob Volz, York Nebraska (5 June 1924) from HJ Amen about travel plans to Portland. Page 2 letter (1 June 1924) Volz to Amen (German)

To Conrad Walter Sr. Odessa Washington (9 June 1924) from JJ Stroh with acknowledgment of \$30 from the Pacific Brotherhood Conference for poor people in Germany and Russia. Page 2 letter (3 June 1924) Walter to Stroh (German)

To AVRS (12 June 1924) from German Red Cross (German)

To AVRS (16 June 1924) from Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, Chicago Illinois, explaining the four bales of clothing will ship on the steamer ORCA on 21 June

To Midwest Realy Co (Claim Dept. of Volga Relief), Lincoln Nebraska (24 June 1924) from Lincoln Freie Presse (German). Page 2 letter Lincoln Freie Presse (21 June 1924) from Henry Wieters (German)

To AVRS (6 July 1924) from Mrs. H Stapper, San Antonio Texas, explaining the 100 pounds of bacon shipped to Mrs. B Lamberts, Berlin Germany, was spoiled and not accepted. Page 2 letter (17 June 1924) German Red Cross to Frau Berta Lamberts (German)

To Professor Peter Sinner, Saratov Russia (31 July 1924) from ? (German) – a second page of the letter may be missing or it was signed by a Reverend (ihr)

To Henry Wieters, Odell Nebraska (1 August 1924) from HJ Amen to resolve the difference between delivery of 140 pound bag of flour instead of the 196 pounds paid for by Wieters. Page 2 letter (6 August 1924) Wieters to AVRS

To Mrs. H Stapper, San Antonio Texas (1 August 1924) explaining the transportation company has “made good” the loss described in the 6 July letter from Mrs. Stapper. Page 2 letter (23 June 1924) to German Red Cross to AVRS explanation of settlement (German)

- To John Jaekel, Newark New Jersey (21 October 1924) from HJ Amen asking for help to correct a problem with an incorrectly marked shipment of clothing and shoes to Germany
- To Henry Wieters, Odell Nebraska (3 November 1924) from HJ Amen with check for the 56 pounds of flour not delivered in Germany
- To HH Heimbigner, Dryden Washington (3 November 1924) from HJ Amen with receipt for \$18 previously sent for Germany relief. The change in AVRS office has delayed some accounting tasks. Page 2 letter (21 June 1924) Heimbigner to AVRS

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Box 7, Folder 15, ARA Commeration Report

- ARA Association Review: Contents – Hoover, Page, Baker, Gregg, Rickard, Godrich, Boyden, Haskell, Barnes, Ruhl, Fisher, Gilchrise, Blomquist, Ellingston, McSweeney, Brooks and Others
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 1 & 2 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 3 & 4 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 5 & 6 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 7 & 8 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 9 & 10 of 30)
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- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 21 & 22 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 23 & 24 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 25 & 26 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 27 & 28 of 30)
- ARA Association Review, Commemoration Number, Vol 1, No. 1 (page 29 & 30 of 30)

**Collection 1; Series XV, Photocopies of the contents of a scrapbook from the Portland VRS. Identified as AHSGR library item GR 1480, it is part of the AHSGR permanent collection but not circulated due to its poor condition. Scrapbook contains correspondence and other materials from August 1921 through June 1926. This includes copies of several ARA reports and reports from Herbert Hoover to the President of the United States about the efforts and success of the agency. There are also multiple reports by George Repp while serving on the ARA staff in Russia as the representative for the VRS and AVRS. The material includes numerous copies of attacks on the VRS by the California Post and the Dakota Freie Presse with rebuttals of the accusations. ARA Press Releases and reports from Russia are included, also VRS reports containing letters from various villages. The material is primarily in letter size format but there are numerous legal and 11x17 size items. The index has been prepared as the material exists in the scrapbook which is mainly in chronological order except for the order of items in envelopes in the front and rear covers.**

Box 8, Folder 1

- 1952-52 Lincoln County Oregon tax bill for Camp Roosevelt (for Adam Repp)
- To George Repp, Portland Oregon (26 August 1925) from HH Fisher asking for statement about role of VRS for a story about ARA work in Russia.
- To George Repp (25 December 1925) envelope and signed note "The Seasons Greetings" from Herbert Hoover
- Group photo (2 June 1925) with note written from Berlin Germany, author unknown
- Night letter (8 August 1921) John Miller to European Relief Committee asking if an American citizen can be sent to Russia to help with relief efforts. A response (9 August 1921) Edgar Rickard (ARA) explaining work being done. Notes from 11 August 1921 and 18 August meetings of Volga Germans of Portland Oregon with list of elected officers.
- To George Repp, Portland Oregon (20 November 1922) from Lawrence Richey, Secretary to the President, about power situation in state of Washington being referred to Secretary of the Navy.
- Oregon Sunday Journal newspaper article (no date) about "War Insurance Brings Relief to Russian Family" with reference to Balzer village
- To George Repp (14 September 1922) from Herbert Hoover with thanks for help by VRS help to ARA
- To George Repp (3 January 1929) from Herbert Hoover expressing thanks for the expression of confidence and good wishes sent to Hoover
- Blank letterhead sheet for VRS, Portland Oregon, with list of persons on Board of Directors
- Two Western Union messages: to European Relief Committee (8 August 1921) from John Miller asking if an American citizen can be sent to Russia to help with relief efforts. (page 1) A response (9 August 1921) Edgar Rickard (ARA) explaining work being done. (page 2) Note – repeat of part of a prior entry in the index.
- To Edgar Rickard, (9 August 1921) Western Union message from (probably John Miller) explaining what VRS plans to do for ARA support (pages 1 and 2)
- List of persons (sheet 1 of 2) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (18 August 1921)
- List of persons (sheet 2 of 2) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (18 August 1921), \$6075 total
- Newspaper article describing "\$6075 Given for Relief" by VRS in Portland Oregon.

To John Milleer, Portland Oregon, (18 August 1921 from Edgar Rickard, ARA, explaining responsibilities of ARA in Russia and how the relief effort is being structured. Thanks given to VRS for their support and interest in the project.

To Edgar Rickard (22 August 1921) from John Miller explaining request to send a support person to Russia would be an expense borne by VRS. Response (no date) to John Miller from Edgar Rickard stating VRS representative can be sent if approved by ARA and “be subject to same discipline as other American workers in Russia” while under the management of Colonel William N. Haskell of ARA.

To “My dear Brother”, mass mailing letter dated 23 August 1921 from John Miller (page 1 and 2) explaining efforts of VRS and requesting financial support as well as establishing a local organization in support of the VRS.

To “My dear Brother”, another mass mailing letter dated 26 August 1921 from John Miller describing acceptance by ARA of VRS providing a representative to help in Russia relief efforts.

List of persons (sheet 1 of 3) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (25 August 1921)

List of persons (sheet 2 of 3) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (25 August 1921)

List of persons (sheet 3 of 3) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (25 August 1921), \$12,221.51 total

Messages to and from Edgar Rickard & John Miller (25 August & 29 August 1921) about George Repp acceptance as VRS support person in Russia under management of Colonel Haskell of ARA

To Edgar Rickard (31 August 1921) from John Miller about details of George Repp leaving for Russia.

Messages to and from Edgar Rickard & John Miller (1 September 1921) about requirement for VRS to reach agreement with Lincoln Nebraska (Wekesser, Stroh and HJ Amen) of one person representing both organizations.

To Edgar Rickard (5 September 1921) from John Miller – cover letter for letter sent to districts where German Russian people are located.

To “My Dear Brother and Friend”, mass mailing letter explaining work and organization of the VRS, pages 1 & 2 of 4.

To “My Dear Brother and Friend”, mass mailing letter explaining work and organization of the VRS, pages 3 & 4 of 4.

Messages to and from Edgar Rickard & John Miller (3 & 10 September 1921) that no women can accompany ARA representatives to Russia (George Repp’s wife had planned to accompany him but can go no further than England or Germany).

List of persons (sheet 1 of 6) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (6 September 1921)

List of persons (sheet 2 of 6) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (6 September 1921)

List of persons (sheet 3 of 6) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (6 September 1921)

List of persons (sheet 4 of 6) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (6 September 1921)

List of persons (sheet 5 of 6) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (6 September 1921)

List of persons (sheet 6 of 6) subscribed to VRS with village of interest and the dollar amount subscribed (6 September 1921) \$19,453.78 total

To “My dear Friends” mass mailing letter from John Miller (8 September 1921) reporting status of the organization.

To John Miller from Frank Page (ARA) (12 September 1921) commenting that it is still important that the VRS and the Lincoln organization work together in an agreeable manner to support the ARA. Although ARA requested it, Mr. Repp did not visit Lincoln on his way to New York. (pages 1 & 2)

To "My dear Friends" mass mailing letter from John Miller (14 September 1921) reporting status of the organization and the total of \$37,445.63 subscribed when include other chapters of VRS (6 September 1921). (pages 1 & 2)

Messages to and from George Repp and John Miller (13 & 14 September 1921) discussing Lincoln intent and ARA agreement to send Lincoln representative to Russia as VRS has done. Miller expresses concern "...Hope it won't be possible for group in Lincoln to muddy the water."

Messages to and from George Repp & John Miller (15 September 1921) about plans for sending money and clothing to Russia. Some discussion about "...Lincoln matter..". Miller cautioned to be sensitive to German feelings of Soviet rule so need to be careful in press articles.

Messages to John Miller from ARA and to John Miller from George Repp (both 16 September 1921). ARA message reports Hoover approves of Repp selection. ARA asks that VRS and Lincoln have direct discussions. Repp reports he will sail 17 September and also comments on Lincoln matter.

To Mr. Rickard & Mr. Page from John Miller (17 September 1921) describing additional towns that have formed organizations to assist VRS work. Letter also discusses Lincoln issue correspondence and it appears "...they were not entirely willing to cooperate for the good of the cause." (pages 1 & 2)

Program of Wolga Relief Society festival, Zions Congregational Church Portland Oregon 1922 (page 1 & 2 of 6)

Program of Wolga Relief Society festival, Zions Congregational Church Portland Oregon 1922 (page 3 & 4 of 6)

Program of Wolga Relief Society festival, Zions Congregational Church Portland Oregon 1922 (page 5 & 6 of 6)

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Lincoln Nebraska (page 1 & 2 of 15) (German)

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Lincoln Nebraska (pages 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 of 15) (German)

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Lincoln Nebraska (page 7 & 8 and 9 & 10 of 15) includes section about death of Dr. Wekesser (German)

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Lincoln Nebraska (page 11 & 12 and 13 & 14 of 15) (German)

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Lincoln Nebraska (page 15 of 15) (German)

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Portland Oregon (page 1 & 2 of 4) (German) 15 June 1924

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Portland Oregon (page 3 & 4 of 4) (German) 15 June 1924

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 1 & 2 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925, program contains photos of officers and many advertisements

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 3 & 4 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 5 & 6 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 7 & 8 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 9 & 10 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 11 & 12 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 13 & 14 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 15 & 16 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention IV, Fresno California (page 17 & 18 of 18) (German) 4 October 1925

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Sutton Nebraska (page 1 & 2 of 12) (German) 23-26 June 1926, program contains photos of officer and many advertisements

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Sutton Nebraska (page 3 & 4 of 12) (German) 23-26 June 1926

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, Sutton Nebraska (page 5 & 6 of 12) (German) 23-26 June 1926

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To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (21 September 1921) explaining the present agreement with Soviets is to only provide for feeding and clothing relief for children. Relief for adults will require a subsequent agreement with Soviets government (pages 1 & 2 of 4)

To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (21 September 1921) (page 3 & 4 of 4)

To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (24 September 1921) explaining George Repp left New York 17 Sept and is expected to travel to Moscow and then Saratov. Clothing cannot be shipped at this time.

To "My dear Fellow-Workers" mass mailing from John Miller (24 September 1921) with attachment describing funds subscribed by chapters of VRS and complete listing of subscribers from Portland Oregon.

Attachment to Miller 24 September letter: listing of subscribed amounts from chapters of VRS, total \$73, 552, 68 (two pages)

List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (1 of 8)

List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (2 of 8)

List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (3 of 8)

List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (4 of 8)

- List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (5 of 8)
- List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (6 of 8)
- List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (7 of 8)
- List of Portland subscribers to Volga Relief Society including amount subscribed and amount paid (8 of 8)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (27 September 1921), page 1 & 2 (German)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (27 September 1921), page 1 & 2 of 3 in English, explaining no one in VRS is paid a salary and to be patient but prepared to send clothing when the opportunity occurs.
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (27 September 1921), page 3 of 3 in English
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (29 September 1921) in German and English, summarizing report from ARA about relief activities in Soviet Union. Some details about plight of lack of food in Samara region.
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA 26 September 1921 explaining no additional VRS personnel can be sent into Russia. Copy of an article from Riga newspaper mentioned. Relief station has been opened in Samara (page 1 & 2)
- Bulletin 45 of American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia PA, "Thru the Valley of the Shadow of Death", page 1 & 2 of 4
- Bulletin 45 of American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia PA, "Thru the Valley of the Shadow of Death", page 3 & 4 of 4
- Cablegram from George Repp (30 September 1921), "leave today via Germany, Moscow October 7"
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (5 October 1921) acknowledging checks of \$22000 and \$18000. Includes discussion with Dr. Wekesser and agreement that one organization should fund for German colonists should be under one organization. Page 1 & 2
- To Rickard & Page/ARA from John Miller (29 September 1921) submitting checks for \$22000 and \$18000. Expressing concern that visits by Wekesser/Lincoln to Weatherford Oklahoma have resulted in subscriptions from Weatherford group to be cancelled and they prefer to be associated with Lincoln group. Now a group in Colorado is proposing to organize and send a man to Russia. Concern is in the letter that multiple groups will dilute the financial support work. Page 1 & 2)
- Telegram to Wekesser/Lincoln from Frank Page/ARA (1 October 1921) stating concern about separate organizations diluting financial support of relief work and that there must be a united front appealing for funds to support children in Volga region. Multiple organizations will "create confusion and possibly undesirable friction...", page 1 & 2
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (7 October 1921), sending copies of letters from ARA office sent 7 October
- To Rev. FG Martins/Chicago Illinois from Page/ARA (7 October 1921) acknowledging check for \$4900 and explaining sending Chicago representative would cost more than the yearly support for 300 children and a unified effort must be developed for the relief of the starving and suffering children in the Volga region, page 1 & 2

- To Rev. EL Stalh/Windsor Colorado from Page/ARA (7 October 1921) acknowledging Colorado district check for \$1000 and explaining how the ARA is allocating relief effort among children of the Volga region, page 1 & 2
- To Page/ARA from John Miller (10 October 1921) stating recent Wekesser correspondence states Lincoln wants to "...work shoulder to shoulder for the sake of the cause..." Miller offers to go to Lincoln to "...talk the matter over..." and work to bring the organizations together. Chicago organization has endorsed Repp. Ask again about clothing because a great deal of it has been collected. Page 1 & 2
- Telegram to John Miller from Page/ARA (13 October 1921). Repp on way to Samara and Saratov, feeding will commence in Saratov district at once
- To "My dear Friend" mass mailing from John Miller (13 October 1921) with list of VRS branches and report that \$97,697.14 has been subscribed (page 1 & 2 of 4)
- To "My dear Friend" mass mailing from John Miller (13 October 1921) with list of VRS branches and report that \$97,697.14 has been subscribed (page 3 & 4 of 4)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (13 October 1921) including text of Page/ARA telegram that Repp is on way to Samara and Saratov and Saratov district feeding will commence at once. Also refers to new checks for \$2442.20.
- To ARA from John Miller (14 October 1921) stating nothing heard from Wekesser since Miller's offer to travel to Lincoln to discuss how to work together "...presume they do not want my presence..." and refers to group that split from Wekesser joined with the Lutheran Church of New York who will be working through their church in Russia. Page 1 & 2
- Telegram to John Miller from Repp (17 October 1921) from Moscow, "leave today Samara Saratov October 14, food there"
- Telegram to Page/ARA from Miller (17 October 1921) thanking for note that food drafts may now be sent. Ask again about shipping clothing because have learned certain religious organizations have sent trainloads of clothing.
- Telegram to Miller from Page/ARA (17 October 1921): Food drafts to communities more effective than to individuals because of problems finding individuals. Food drafts will reach adult populations, straight fund donations best to help children.
- Telegram to Miller from Page/ARA (17 October 1921): Statement from Mr. Hoover that donations for food may be sent to any person or group in Soviet area. Statement includes procedure and process for handling such donations. Page 1 & 2
- Telegram to Miller from Page/ARA (18 October 1921): Forms for food remittances will be sent soon. Clothing program not yet worked out with Soviet authorities. Quakers, with ARA cooperation, accepting clothing for general distribution. Suggest delaying clothing campaign until further developments.
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (20 October 1921): Clothing distribution details have not been worked out; NY Lutheran Council has set fund raising goal of \$1,250,000 for relief to Lutherans in Russia. Details not complete; 27,000 children being fed in Kazan District; Wekesser/Lincoln "...does not seem to wish to combine with your organization in raising funds. However they are willing to put any funds they collect for general relief into the same districts as your money...", page 1 & 2
- Telegram to ARA from ARA/Moscow (20 October 1921): Repp reports "please advise VRS I now in Saratoff proceeding German colonies"
- Telegram to John Miller from ARA/Page (20 October 1921): Repp reports "please advise VRS I now in Saratoff proceeding German colonies"



- To Page/ARA from John Miller (25 October 1921): express regrets that Lincoln "...has not seen fit to join us in this work..."
- To Page/ARA from John Miller (1 October 1921): "Every other section had fallen in line except Lincol..." and "...do not want to see Repp recalled on account small minority Lincon group not wishing to cooperate..." and "...received word Lincoln itself split some leaving Wekesser and starting separate organization." Page 1 & 2
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (20 September 1921): ARA refuses to sent Nebraska representative unless they raise \$100,000. Possible solution to bring Central States organization together under your committee and end impasse – "...send representatives of different sections into Russia in rotation. Have Repp return after six months and Central States man go for six months..." What are your views? Page 1 & 2
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (26 October 1921): explaining status of food draft system and enclosing the full statement from Herbert Hoover explaining the process. Page 1 & 2
- To John Martin from Frank Page/ARA (26 October 1921): question it will be possible to deliver clothing to individuals by ARA or any other organization; ARA has agreed to accept representative from Nebraska in Russia under conditions that all bunds for German Russians shall be put together, that they accept Repp as their representative, and the new representative shall not be a purely Nebraska representative and that they not encroach in any field where you now have organized. "Wish to assure you that in no way have we repudiated your organization. We consider it the headquarters organization and will give you our complete support in every matter."
- Telegram to John Miller from Page/ARA (28 October 1921) with report of population, crop and animals conditions in Saratov and Samara provinces.
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (27 October 1921) with reports from Repp and ARA/Frank Page (German), page 1 & 2
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (29 October 1921) providing copy of ARA report of population, crop and animals conditions in Saratov and Samara provinces.
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (31 October 1921) providing subscribed funds (\$104599.11) and received funds (\$66297.93) from list of VRS chapters.
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (31 October 1921) enclosing copy of letter from Dr. Wekesser regarding the new representative from Nebraska and explaining the ARA clothing program is for new clothing and not used clothing. Persons wishing to send used clothing should work with the American Friends Service Committee and the Lutheran Council. Food is now being provided to adults as well as children
- To ARA from John Miller (18 October 1921) – expressing concern that German Methodist minister in Portland reports their church has sent into Russia a trainload of clothing and now VRS members are thinking VRS is not working hard or fast enough.
- Telegram to John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (4 November 1921): "actual delivery supplies to German communes have now been made"
- Telegram hand draft to ARA from John Miller (no date): relay following message Repp "cable detail regardless expense progress work both sides river. No word since last October. People clamoring information...Are you feeding adults on this? ... Wife well"

- Telegram to John Miller from ARA (8 November 1921) acknowledging \$10,000 draft received.
- To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (8 November 1921) explaining desire and intent of VRS letter describing distribution of funds to different colonies. Final decision about distribution recognized to be made by ARA personnel in areas.
- To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (2 November 1921) expressing thanks and acceptance of ARA acceptance of another representative from Lincoln "...and we hope this will bring about a better feeling in Lincoln towards us..."
- Newspaper article, Sunday Portland Journal entitled "US is Feeding 124,500 Tots in Russian Section"
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (5 November 1921) with reports from Mr. Repp about delivery of food to various villages. Food Remittance Forms have been mailed from ARA and are expected soon. Persons wanting to bring a wife or children under age of 21 now in Russia given information how to proceed to get them brought to the US (at expense of individual or group making the request). Page 1 & 2
- Newspaper article (German) by Konrad Wirtz

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- To FA Lorenz from John Miller (7 November 1921) asking that the plate for the comic picture of Mr. Repp be destroyed and VRS will pay for the plate so it isn't published again. Page 1 & 2
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (8 November 1921) (German) with copies of letters to Mr. Repp from Rev. Guenther of Talofka/Beideck and Mr. Klein of Moor
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (8 November 1921) reporting the Saratov district is as badly off as any other part of the Volga valley, if not worse. Forwards copy of article from a Bolshevik paper in Moscow. Also includes "I do not think it particularly good policy to publish the telegram which mentions the attitude of the Lincoln people, as I do not think they will like it very much..." page 1 & 2
- Article from Moscow newspaper, extract from the BIsvestia "The district of Khvalynsk, government of Saratov is in a desperate position. Half of the population is starving already now. Many suicides and murders of children are due to the famine..."
- To VRS from George Garrity/ARA cashier (14 November 1921) acknowledging receipt of \$10,000 draft in 2 November letter. (page 1). To ARA from VRS (3 November 1921) letter submitting \$10,000 draft (page 2)
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (21 November) acknowledging receipt of \$10,000 draft and \$820 for personal food drafts. (page 1). To ARA from VRS (14 November 1921) submitting \$10,000 draft and \$820 for personal food drafts. (page 2).
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (25 November 1921) acknowledging receipt of \$660 for personal food drafts. Also send copies of four telegrams from the Volga region – note American personnel were not touched when bandits attacked village in Samara (page 1). To ARA from John Miller (19 November 1921) submitting \$660 for personal food drafts (page 2).
- Cablegram included in ARA letter: (25 November 1921) ARA commenced delivering food packages in Russia November 21.

Cablegram included in ARA letter: (25 November 1921) ARA warehouses and supplies remained completely untouched and representative Pugachow respected and unmolested by bandits. Government troops now in control.

Cablegram included in ARA letter: (25 November 1921) Samara feeding 500 kitchens and Kazan feeding 143,835 in 1766 kitchens.

Cablegram included in ARA letter: (25 November 1921) feeding report for near Saratov and near Singelei at Ganino

To John Miller from Page/ARA (23 November 1921) with attached letter from Rev. Larsen of National Lutheran Council. Rev. Larsen asks about VRS newspaper article stating wives and children in Russia can now be brought to US. Page is unaware where VRS obtained the information. Page 1 & 2

To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (26 November 1921) summarizing reports from Mr. Repp (page 1 & 2)

To Page/ARA from John Miller (28 November 1921) responding to question about where did VRS get information of being able to bring wife and young children from Russia to US (page 1 & 2)

Cablegram to ? from ? (27 December 1921): no clothing, food or medicine has been lost during shipments from Moscow to Volga area.

Decree from Russian Central Executive Committee (29 November 1921): explaining work and agreements with ARA and anyone interfering with work of ARA shall be subject to punishment with all the severity of the Revolutionary Laws.

To John Miller from Page/ARA (1 December 1921) acknowledge receipt of \$450 for Food Remittances. To Page/ARA from John Miller (26 November 1921) submitting \$450 draft for Food Remittances. (page 1 & 2)

Telegram to John Miller from ARA (8 December 1921) special appeal for food remittances during the Christmas period to save lives of those in desperate condition.

Cablegram to ? from ARA/Russia (9 December) describing children guarding food warehouse every night.

To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (German, 1 December 1921) listing funds collected by each chapter of VRS and the planned distribution by village. (page 1 & 2)

To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (6 December 1921) with copies of letters from Mr. Repp (page 1 & 2 of 5)

To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (6 December 1921) with copies of letters from Mr. Repp (page 3 & 5 of 5)

To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (6 December 1921) with copies of letters from Mr. Repp (page 5 of 5)

Cablegram to ? from ARA/Russia (9 December 1921) "Tell the Americans that they can do no better thing this Christmas than to send food packages through the ARA to the starving people of Russia...", from message to the Chicago Tribune.

To John Miller from Page/ARA (9 December 1921) with advice to be careful that any letters from Mr. Repp distributed and published do not contain any text that could be used against the ARA and its work. Also said ARA has received no recent correspondence from Wekesser/Lincoln and wondered if Lincoln was collaborating with VRS in any way. (page 1 & 2)

Memorandum for Mr. Page from Perrin Galpin, ARA Secretary (9 December): advising him to write Mr. Miller/VRS that ARA has no funds and no responsibilities for bringing wives and young children from Russia to US.

To John Miller from Page/ARA (10 December 1921) acknowledging checks for \$5000 and \$480. To Page/ARA from John Miller (3 December 1921) submitting

- checks for general feeding in the German colonies and for food drafts (page 1 & 2)
- To Page/ARA from John Miller (10 December 1921) asking if Repp has been advised money sent by VRS may be used for adult feeding as well as children feeding.
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (14 December 1921) describing process to ship clothing via the National Lutheran Council (NLC). (NLC pamphlet included with original mailing but not in this collection.) (page 1 & 2)
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (16 December 1921) acknowledging \$290 for Food Remittances. Letter also includes amounts received from various Volga Relief societies (\$105,459). To Page/ARA from John Miller (10 December 1921) submitting \$290 for food remittances. (page 1 & 2)
- To Page/ARA from John Miller (17 December 1921) noting "...I wrote Dr. Wekesser last week asking him if it wasn't possible for us to work together and raise our present contributions to \$200,000. I have not heard from him in reply to this letter..." (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (17 December 1921) including report from ARA praising work of Mr. Repp. Letter includes confirmation that although Repp cannot personally supervise all distributions, the intended work is being completed by the ARA. Article in the California Post implying money intended for people on the Wiesenseite would be spent on people in the Bergeseit is totally false, and "...they knew better...". (page 1 & 2)
- Cablegram copy to ? from ARA/Moscow with report from Clapps; inspected 15 villages in region around Seelman – children badly swollen from starvation dying daily – horses killed for food – there will be no livestock left – population has no foodstuffs and almost no clothing – general exodus from district – roads teeming with families wanting to go to America or some place where there is bread
- To John Miller from Page/ARA acknowledging \$7500 for German colony relief and \$190 for Food Remittances. To ARA from John Miller (17 December 1921) sending checks for \$7500 and \$190 (page 1 & 2)
- To Page/ARA from John Miller (24 December 1921) asking what can be done about the attacks being made in articles in the California Post
- Day letter to Page/ARA from John Miller (28 December 1921) urgently requesting information if distributions are and have been made on east side of Volga.
- To "My dear Friends" (German) from John Miller (28 December 1921) including report from pastor Wacker of Norka dated November 1921 (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" from John Miller (30 December 1921) with copies of reports from Mr. Repp (page 1 & 2)
- To "my dear wife" (Mrs. Repp) from George Repp (30 November 1921)
- Cablegram to John Miller from ARA (30 December 1921) "Can assure you both ARA and Volga funds being used both sides of river..." "...adult relief will follow as soon as we can expand..."
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (30 December 1921) German & English, sending the ARA response to question about relief support on both sides of the Volga.
- To John Miller from Irving Lee/ARA (31 December 1921) acknowledging draft and food remittances for \$480. To Page/ARA from John Miller (24 December 1921) sending \$480 for food remittances (page 1 & 2)
- To Page/ARA from John Milleer (31 December 1921) mailing applications for food drafts for \$1510.

- To "My dear Friends" from John Miller (1 January 1922) sending financial statement of VRS with source of funds and villages funds are identified for (page 1 & 2 of 4)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (1 January 1922) sending financial statement of VRS with source of funds and villages with amounts funds are identified for (page 3 & 4 of 4)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (3 January 1922) forwarding letters from Mr. Repp about very bad conditions and list of colonies where children are being fed: "...In every community there are four or five deaths every day..." report from Doenhoff "...Seventy to eighty percent of adults will starve before next harvest unless they get help..."
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (4 January 1922) describing recent bill requested by President Harding and passed by Congress for Russian Relief. Few have thanked the President or Congress but critics are protesting loudly. (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" (German) mass mailing from John Miller with letter from Pastor Wacker of Norka. (page 1 & 2)
- Telegram to John Miller from ARA (22 January 1922): now feeding 15, 685 children and within two weeks will be feeding 30,000. "Every food draft means life. Suffering indescribable."
- Cablegram copy to ? from ARA/Moscow: same as 22 January 1922 telegram to John Miller but the cablegram refers to "...will have 32,000 children eating in kitchens..."
- To John Miller from Irving Lee/ARA (15 January 1922) acknowledging drafts for \$1510, \$810 and \$6000. \$6000 is being forwarded to Mr. Repp for food to be distributed among the German people in the Volga region. To Page/ARA from John Miller (4 January 1922) sending drafts for \$1510, \$810 and \$6000 and copies of letters from Mr. Repp (page 1 & 2)
- To Page/ARA from John Miller (14 January 1922) with concern about lack of food distribution to adults in Volga region. VRS members are questioning efficiency of organization and are impatient because their family members are starving. Writes "Just as quickly Mr. Page as you get advice that these adults are being cared for, let me have the information so that I can pass it on." Letter also discusses recent article in California Post that again attacks VRS and John Miller. Miller asks that Page respond to the attack. (page 1 & 2 of 3).
- To Page/ARA from John Miller (14 January 1922) with concern about lack of food distribution to adults in Volga region. ... Letter also discusses recent article in California Post that again attacks VRS and John Miller. Miller asks that Page respond to the attack. (page 3 of 3).
- To HP Schiedt, California Post, from John Miller (14 January 1922) repudiating the attack in the California Post and criticizing newspaper for "You have been hostile to this organization right from the start. Why, I don't know..." and "...your correspondents have done more harm to the progress of the VRS than anything that has happened..." (page 1 & 2 of 3)
- To HP Schiedt, California Post, from John Miller (14 January 1922) (page 3 of 3)

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- To VRS from Irving Lee/ARA (17 January 1922) acknowledging \$520 for food remittances. To ARA from John Miller (7 January 1922) submitting \$520 for food remittances (page 1 & 2)

- To VRS from Irving Lee/ARA (24 January 1922) acknowledging \$1290 for food remittances. To ARA from John Miller (14 January 1922) submitting \$1290 for food remittances (page 1 & 2)
- To George Repp from ?/Kiew (Kiev) (26 January 1922) (German) letter on onion skin and feed through makes most of letter illegible (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (26 January 1922) containing letters from Mr. Repp. List of colonies where children are being fed and the number of children in each. Other details about Norka, Grimm, Messer and Moor (page 1 & 2)
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (27 January 1922) with copy of letter sent to California Post. Asks also that nothing more be done "...in regard to the Lutheran matter until I have taken it up with Dr. Larsen..." (page 1 & 2 of 4)
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (27 January 1922) with copy of letter sent to California Post. Asks also that nothing more be done "...in regard to the Lutheran matter until I have taken it up with Dr. Larsen..." (page 3 & 4 of 4)
- To VRS from Irving Lee/ARA (31 January 1922) acknowledging \$3830 in drafts, \$1330 for individual remittances and \$2500 for food for the German colonies in Volga region to be distributed by Mr. Repp. To Page/ARA from John Miller (21 January 1922) submitting \$3830 in drafts (page 1 & 2)
- In Memoriam writing (German) for Johannes Miller, father of John Miller, from Pastor Geo. Zoicher (31 January 1922)
- Letter (27 January 1922) from John Miller (German) with letters from Mr. Repp, the VRS and pastors from Norka & Grimm (page 1 & 2)
- Form letter to "My dear Mr. \_\_\_\_\_" from John Miller (6 February 1922) reminding the recipient of the financial pledge made to VRS and asking that payment be made in full or partially.
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (6 February 1922) sending copies of messages from the ARA and explaining adult feeding is occurring. The letter also includes a list of funds recently received and from whom (page 1 & 2 of 3)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (6 February 1922) sending copies of messages from the ARA and explaining adult feeding is occurring. The letter also includes a list of funds recently received and from whom (page 3 of 3)
- To VRS from Irving Lee/ARA (7 February 1922) acknowledging food remittance draft for \$1100. To Page/ARA from VRS (28 January 1922) submitting \$1100 for food remittance drafts. (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" (German) mass mailing from John Miller (9 February 1922) with list of villages and the number of children in each village being fed. Letters from Balzer and Alt Messer included (page 1 & 2)
- To John Miller from ?/Fresno (9 February 1922) letter of condolence about death of Johannes Miller and comment about "...unprincipled fellow tries to twist and misconstrue things..." in California Post
- To ? from ?/Fresno (German) (no date) letter about death of Johannes Miller
- To Frederick Emrich, Boston Mass from VRS (11 February 1922) response for Mrs. Repp who received a picture from Mr. Emrich.
- To Mr. Repp from FE Emrich, Boston Mass (1 February 1922) thanking Mr. Repp for kindness to Emrichs last June.
- To John Miller from Pastor Jacob Morach, Congregational Philadelphia Church (8 February 1922) (German)
- To John Miller, handwritten note from Geo. Loeb sack, Waterville Washington (6 February 1922) (German)

- To ? from Johannes & Elisabeth Koch, handwritten letter from Windsor Colorado (7 February 1922) (German)
- To John Miller from Irving Lee/ARA (16 February 1922) acknowledging \$2990 received for food distribution in the German colonies.
- To John Miller from Irving Lee/ARA (20 February 1922) correction to 16 February letter: should read \$2250 for food distribution and \$740 for food remittances. To Page/ARA from John Miller (4 February 1922) submitting \$2250 for food distribution and \$740 for food remittances. (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" (German) mass mailing from John Miller (20 February 1922) with letters from Mr. Repp, village Balzer, village Bauer and Franzosen. (page 1 & 2)
- To John Miller from Irving Lee/ARA (21 February 1922) acknowledging \$2400 for feeding colonies along the Volga and \$1540 for individual food remittances. To Page/ARA from John Miller (11 February 1922) submitting \$2400 and \$1540 drafts (page 1 & 2)
- To VRS from Irving Lee/ARA acknowledging \$1300 for food remittances. To Page/ARA from John Miller (18 February 1922) submitting \$1300 for food remittances. (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" (German) mass mailing from John Miller (1 March 1922) with letters from George Repp and Pastor Eduard Eichorn of Alt Messer (page 1 & 2)
- Newspaper article (no date or source) Relief Workers Find Russian Feeding Hard, Lumimovka , Tartar Republic
- To "My dear Friends" (German & English) mass mailing from John Miller (13 February 1922) with letters from George Repp, schoolmaster Al Klein/Moor, Pastor Eduard Eichorn/Alt Messer, schoolmaster Philipp Kneis/Schilling, Leonard Eberle/Kamenka, and Jacob Suppes/Balzer (page 1 of 3)
- To "My dear Friends" (German & English) mass mailing from John Miller (13 February 1922) with letters from George Repp, schoolmaster Al Klein/Moor, Pastor Eduard Eichorn/Alt Messer, schoolmaster Philipp Kneis/Schilling, Leonard Eberle/Kamenka, and Jacob Suppes/Balzer (page 2 & 3 of 3)
- To VRS from Irving Lee/ARA (6 March 1922) acknowledging \$960 draft for food remittances. To ARA from VRS (28 February 1922) submitting \$960 for food remittances (page 1 & 2)
- To ARA from John Miller (1 March 1922) to clarify missing food remittance in group mailed "last Saturday."
- To John Miller from Page/ARA (10 March 1922) acknowledging checks for \$1140 for food remittances and \$2000 for "regular Eurelcon sales fund." To Page/ARA from John Miller (4 March 1922) submitting checks for \$1140 and \$2000 (page 1 & 2)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (10 March 1922) with list of funds received from VRS chapters, funds ARA has received from CVRS/Lincoln and the villages where money is being distributed (page 1 & 2 of 5)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (10 March 1922) with list of funds received from VRS chapters, funds ARA has received from CVRS/Lincoln and the villages where money is being distributed (page 3 & 4 of 5)
- To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (10 March 1922) with list of funds received from VRS chapters, funds ARA has received from CVRS/Lincoln and the villages where money is being distributed (page 5 of 5)
- Address by John P. Gregg/ARA in Portland Oregon (13 March 1922) "On Relief of the Starving in Russia" (1 of 17)

Address by John P. Gregg/ARA in Portland Oregon (13 March 1922) "On Relief of the Starving in Russia" (2 of 17)

Address by John P. Gregg/ARA in Portland Oregon (13 March 1922) "On Relief of the Starving in Russia" (3 of 17)

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Address by John P. Gregg/ARA in Portland Oregon (13 March 1922) "On Relief of the Starving in Russia" (17 of 17)

To John Miller from Page/ARA (20 March 1922) questioning the report that some kitchens have been closed and explaining weather and Soviet government problems that have hampered some ARA efforts (page 1 & 2)

To VRS from MH Walker/ARA acknowledging check for \$2180. To Page/ARA from VRS (22 March 1922) submitting funds for \$2180 for personal food drafts (page 1 & 2)

To John Miller from AT Dailey/ARA (11 April 1922) sending copy of newspaper release related to Saratov (page 1 of 7)

Saratov newspaper release from ARA (page 2 & 3 of 7)

Saratov newspaper release from ARA (page 4 & 5 of 7)

Saratov newspaper release from ARA (page 6 & 7 of 7)

To Page/ARA from John Miller (18 March 1922) explaining California Post has been successful to "break up" the VRS organization in Fresno and is now working to have Fresno people send their funds to Fink & Son. (page 1 & 2)

To John Miller from Page/ARA (23 March 1922) commenting that persons have traveled to ARA warehouses in Russia with Fink & Son remittances and have been refused. Fink & Son are not making any distribution in Russia. This word will "...come back to the people in Fresno..." (page 1 & 2)



To "My dear Friends" mass mailing from John Miller (27 March 1922) with report from Hoffenthal Diocese commune outside of Saratov – "... for November, December, January and February. Not a child died from starvation since American feeding started...child population 3672 in nine villages. Adult population 5169..."

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- List of persons and their contributions for village Norka (page 1). Listing of subscriptions at the Brüder Conference (page 2)
- List of names and addresses of what appears to be contacts for VRS committees across the United States & Canada.
- To John Miller from President HJ Amen, AVRS/Lincoln (3 October 1923) discussing clothing circular (page 1 & 2)
- To HJ Amen from John Miller (11 October 1923) discussing clothing circular for Germany relief (page 1 & 2)
- From HJ Amen, President AVRS (German, no date) text discussing food for German relief
- To D. Brauer/Portland Oregon from ? (24 October 1923) enclosing letter from HJ Amen describing clothing shipment plans.
- To John Miller from HJ Amen/AVRS (17 October 1923) discussing shipment of clothing to Germany (page 1 & 2)
- To HJ Amen/AVRS from John Miller (24 October 1923) discussing shipment of clothing to Germany.
- To John Miller from HJ Amen (5 November 1923) – very faint – discussing shipment of clothing to Germany
- AVRS receipt acknowledging \$130.08 from Mrs. Geo. Repp (12 November 1923)
- To John Miller from HJ Amen (15 November 1923?) – very faint – discussing shipment of clothing to Germany
- To D. Brauer/Portland Oregon from HJ Amen (22 November 1923) discussing shipment of clothing to Germany.
- To John Jackel/Newark New Jersey from John Miller (26 November 1923) with bill of lading for clothing to Germany.
- Bill of Lading for Luckenbach Line shipment of clothing referred to in Miller 26 November 1923 letter.
- To John Miller from HJ Amen (19 December 1923) discussing plans to collect food for shipment to Germany.
- Telegram to HJ Amen from R Kuenhe (19 December 1923) "Safely arrived with clothing. Leave for Berlin"
- To ?/Lincoln Nebraska from ? (23 December 1923, German) Berlin Germany (page 2 is missing)
- "To all Volga Germans in America" from AVRS (1 March 1924) invitation to attend convention in Portland.
- "To all Volga Germans in America" from John Miller (German, 21 March 1924) invitation to attend convention in Portland.
- "Volga Germans in America" from John Miller (8 May 1924) with list of round trip fares from various points in the US and Canada to Portland for convention trip planning (page 1 & 2)
- "Volga Germans in America" from John Miller (23 May 1924) with program for the Portland Convention.

Three convention ribbons

Committee member list for Portland Convention (June 1924)

Detailed minutes of the June 11-15 1924 convention with a list of delegates that attended (page 1 & 2 of 12)

Detailed minutes of the June 11-15 1924 convention with a list of delegates that attended (page 3 & 4 of 12)

Detailed minutes of the June 11-15 1924 convention with a list of delegates that attended (page 5 & 6 of 12)

Detailed minutes of the June 11-15 1924 convention with a list of delegates that attended (page 7 & 8 of 12)

Detailed minutes of the June 11-15 1924 convention with a list of delegates that attended (page 9 & 10 of 12)

Detailed minutes of the June 11-15 1924 convention with a list of delegates that attended (page 11 & 12 of 12)

To Pastor Wacker/Norka from ? (German, 7 January 1925) with a reference to villages Huck, Frank, Walter, Kolb, Anton and Beideck.

To FA Lorenz/Welt Post editor from George Repp/AVRS asking for an AVRS report to be published in the "Welt Post". (page 1 & 2)

To John Miller from HJ Amen (17 June 1925) sending copy of Portland Convention minutes

To John Miller from HJ Amen (25 August 1925) with comments about plans for the Fresno convention program.

To HJ Amen from John Miller (29 August 1925) explaining the Fresno convention program was prepared by the Fresno committee.

To "Portland Members of the AVRS" from John Miller (17 September 1925) discussing plans for Fresno convention and presentation by Mr. and Mrs. George Repp at the 22 September Portland meeting.

Poster/advertisement for the 1925 Fresno AVRS Convention. Contains pictures of AVRS officers (page 1 & 2 of 3)

Poster/advertisement for the 1925 Fresno AVRS Convention. Contains pictures of AVRS officers (page 3 of 3)

List of names, addresses and their amount of contributions for the Norka Church (no date) (page 1 & 2 of 4)

List of names, addresses and their amount of contributions for the Norka Church (no date) (page 3 & 4 of 4)

Two newspaper articles (German, 1925) from Sutton Nebraska and New Ulm Minnesota

To John Miller from HJ Amen (22 April 1926) discussing plans for the next convention.

To HJ Amen from John Miller (26 April 1926) discussing the 23-27 June Convention preparations.

Detailed minutes (German) of the Fresno 1925 Convention (page 1 & 2 of 10)

Detailed minutes (German) of the Fresno 1925 Convention (page 3 & 4 of 10)

Detailed minutes (German) of the Fresno 1925 Convention (page 5 & 6 of 10)

Detailed minutes (German) of the Fresno 1925 Convention (page 7 & 8 of 10)

Detailed minutes (German) of the Fresno 1925 Convention (page 9 & 10 of 10)

To "Portland Volga-Germans" from John Miller announcing plans for 24-27 June 1926 convention in Lincoln.

To HJ Amen from JP Goodrich/Governor of Indiana (24 May 1926) discussing planned visit to Lincoln and the Folz children.

To John Miller from HJ Amen (26 May 1926) discussing plans for Lincoln convention including talks with “some of the old settlers”.  
Telegram to HJ Amen from George Repp & John Miller (23 June 1926) expressing best wishes for Lincoln convention but they will not be able to attend.

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Box 9, Folder 6

Program for 23-27 June 1926 Lincoln AVRS convention (page 1 & 2 of 12)  
Program for 23-27 June 1926 Lincoln AVRS convention (page 3 & 4 of 12)  
Program for 23-27 June 1926 Lincoln AVRS convention (page 5 & 6 of 12)  
Program for 23-27 June 1926 Lincoln AVRS convention (page 7 & 8 of 12)  
Program for 23-27 June 1926 Lincoln AVRS convention (page 9 & 10 of 12)  
Program for 23-27 June 1926 Lincoln AVRS convention (page 11 & 12 of 12)  
Name tags for Mr. & Mrs. George Repp for 1925 convention  
Minutes (German, January 1926) for Fresno 1925 convention (page 1 & 2 of 5)  
Minutes (German, January 1926) for Fresno 1925 convention (page 3 & 4 of 5)  
Minutes (German, January 1926) for Fresno 1925 convention (page 5 of 5)  
Presentation given by ? to the Fresno convention summarizing history of the relief work by US German-Russians (page 1 of 6)  
Presentation given by ? to the Fresno convention summarizing history of the relief work by US German-Russians (page 2 of 6)  
Presentation given by ? to the Fresno convention summarizing history of the relief work by US German-Russians (page 3 of 6)  
Presentation given by ? to the Fresno convention summarizing history of the relief work by US German-Russians (page 4 of 6)  
Presentation given by ? to the Fresno convention summarizing history of the relief work by US German-Russians (page 5 of 6)  
Presentation given by ? to the Fresno convention summarizing history of the relief work by US German-Russians (page 6 of 6)  
Newspaper article by Richard Sallet (27 October 1925) about the Fresno convention (page 1 & 2 of 5)  
Newspaper article by Richard Sallet (27 October 1925) about the Fresno convention (page 3 & 4 of 5)  
Newspaper article by Richard Sallet (27 October 1925) about the Fresno convention (page 5 of 5)  
ARA press release (10 August 1922) referring to \$8,000,000 aid from US to Russia and inoculating more than 10,000,000 men, women and children against typhoid, para-typhoid, smallpox and cholera.  
To John Miller from MH Walker/ARA (19 August 1922) acknowledging \$1,000 for food relief to Volga German colonies (page 1). To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (11 August) submitting \$1,000 for food to Volga German colonies (page 2)  
Newspaper article (March 31-no year – probably 1921 or 1922) describing cannibalism in Soviet Russia  
To WB Ayer/Portland from John Miller (6 September 1922) sending letter and cablegram received from ARA.  
To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (2 September) sending cable from London and Russia headquarters (page 1 & 2)  
To John Miller from MH Walker/ARA (13 September 1922) that Moscow has informed ARA food delivery completed for the 9 January 1922 \$8,000 from Portland VRS.

Article by WH Ramsey/ARA 23 October 1922 entitled "A Year of the ARA in Russia!" (page 1 & 2 of 8)

Article by WH Ramsey/ARA 23 October 1922 entitled "A Year of the ARA in Russia!" (page 3 & 4 of 8)

Article by WH Ramsey/ARA 23 October 1922 entitled "A Year of the ARA in Russia!" (page 5 & 6 of 8)

Article by WH Ramsey/ARA 23 October 1922 entitled "A Year of the ARA in Russia!" (page 7 & 8 of 8)

To Conrad Kermann/Dakota Freie Presse editor from ? – possibly George Repp (2 October 1922) refuting recent attack letter in Dakota Freie Presse as Soviet or Bolshevik propaganda (page 1 & 2 of 3)

To Conrad Kermann/Dakota Freie Presse editor from ? – possibly George Repp (2 October 1922) refuting recent attack letter in Dakota Freie Presse as Soviet or Bolshevik propaganda (page 3 of 3)

Report from George Repp (3 October 1922) (page 1 & 2 of 8)

Report from George Repp (3 October 1922) (page 3 & 4 of 8)

Report from George Repp (3 October 1922) (page 5 & 6 of 8)

Report from George Repp (3 October 1922) (page 7 & 8 of 8)

To George Repp from Frank Page/ARA (23 October 1922) discussing clothing remittances and temporary stop of child feeding program (page 1 & 2).

ARA Press Release (13 October 1922) explaining conditions in Russia (page 1 & 2 of 5)

ARA Press Release (13 October 1922) explaining conditions in Russia (page 3 & 4 of 5)

ARA Press Release (13 October 1922) explaining conditions in Russia (page 5 of 5)

To "My dear Friends" from John Miller (25 October 1922) discussing plans to attend conference in Lincoln 3-5 November.

ARA Press Release (1 November 1922) discussing significant contributions to relief effort by Portland VRS and especially John Miller and George Repp.

To "My dear Friends" from George Repp (30 September 1922) describing his work in Russia (page 1 & 2 of 4)

To "My dear Friends" from George Repp (30 September 1922) describing his work in Russia (page 3 & 4 of 4)

To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (6 November 1922) explaining the new agreement with Soviet Government to allow a Clothing Remittance program similar to existing food remittance program.

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To John Miller from JH Stutesman/ARA (15 November 1922) describing new Clothing Remittance program.

Program of the General Conference of Volga Relief Societies, Zion Church, Lincoln Nebraska (3-5 November 1922(?)) (page 1 & 2 of 3)

Program of the General Conference of Volga Relief Societies, Zion Church, Lincoln Nebraska (3-5 November 1922) (page 3 of 3)

To "My dear Sister" from Johnnie (assumed Miller ?) Omaha Nebraska (7 November 1922) describing the meeting in Lincoln that resulted in establishing of AVRS with headquarters in Lincoln (page 1 & 2)

To Repp from H. Klein/Balzer (17 November 1922) – German script letter (page 1 & 2 of 3)

To Repp from H. Klein/Balzer (17 November 1922) – German script letter (page 2 of 3)

Form letter from John Miller (20 October 1922) discussing planned trip to Lincoln and asking for continued support.

To “My dear Friends” from John Miller (19 October 1922) discussing planned trip to Lincoln and effort to form a National Organization for United States and Canada to continue relief work in Russia.

To “dear Brother” from John Miller and Dr. Henry Wekesser (German) discussing and explaining purpose of Lincoln conference 3-5 November 1922 (page 1 & 2)

Audit report for finances of VRS (26 January 1923)

VRS report from John Miller and George Repp (German, 12 December 1922) with financial reports, and letters from Norka, Brunntal, Yost, Orlumski, Kosafenstadt, Laub, Neu Doenhof, and Bohn (page 1 & 2 of 8)

VRS report from John Miller and George Repp (German, 12 December 1922) with financial reports, and letters from Norka, Brunntal, Yost, Orlumski, Kosafenstadt, Laub, Neu Doenhof, and Bohn (page 3 & 4 of 8)

VRS report from John Miller and George Repp (German, 12 December 1922) with financial reports, and letters from Norka, Brunntal, Yost, Orlumski, Kosafenstadt, Laub, Neu Doenhof, and Bohn (page 5 & 6 of 8)

VRS report from John Miller and George Repp (German, 12 December 1922) with financial reports, and letters from Norka, Brunntal, Yost, Orlumski, Kosafenstadt, Laub, Neu Doenhof, and Bohn (page 7 & 8 of 8)

To George Repp from Frank Page/ARA (15 November 1922) discussing attacks by California Post and Dakota Freie Presse (page 1 & 2)

To JP Goodrich, Winchester Indiana, from George Repp (25 November 1922) discussing new AVRS organization and the Voltz widows and their children now in America and the children in public school.

To JP Goodrich, Winchester Indiana, from George Repp (27 November 1922) with thanks for continued support of the Russia relief work and sending him a box of Oregon apples.

To George Repp from JP Goodrich with thanks for the status about the Voltz children.

To George Repp from Frank Page/ARA with additional attack clippings from California Post and Dakota Freie Presse, one which describes the ARA as a British concern and urging support to the German Red Cross!

California Post translation (2 November) (page 1 & 2 of 4)

California Post translation (2 November) (page 3 & 4 of 4)

Dakota Freie Presse translation (24 October 1922) (page 1 & 2)

California Post translation (26 October 1922) with reference the headquarters of ARA is in England

California Post translation (9 November 1922)

Dakota Freie Presse translation (31 October 1922) encouraging readers to support the German Red Cross.

To James Goodrich, Winchester Indiana, from George Repp (2 Dec 1922) acknowledging affidavit to be signed by Foltz (Voltz) widows.

To George Repp from HP Goodrich (4 December 1922) with thanks for the box of apples.

To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (6 December 1922) discussing attacks by California Post and Dakota Freie Presse (page 1 & 2)

To George Repp from Henry Wekesser (6 December 1922) discussing Foltz/Voltz affidavit, dissolving of CVRS, and problems of getting permission from ARA to

- collect clothing for certain colonies but plans continue to collect clothing for ocean shipment.
- To James Goodrich, Winchester Indiana, from Henry Wekesser (7 December) discussing the signed Foltz affidavit, and Goodrich suggestion that AVRS pay the expenses of bringing the Foltz widows and children to America. Wekesser replies this is not possible because funds have been collected for food and clothing and not transportation. The families have been well cared for in Lincoln since they arrived.
- ARA Press Release (7 December 1922) discussing no starvation in Saratov district but malnutrition is evident. Prices due to inflation are included such as Rye flour 4,200,000 roubles for 36 pounds (one pood), wheat flour from 5,500,000 to 6,000,000 roubles, potatoes 70,000 to 80,000 roubles per fundt (fundt = ¼ pound).
- To President of US from Herbert Hoover (15 December 1922) sending reports of the Russian relief effort (page 1 & 2 of 6)
- To President of US from Herbert Hoover (15 December 1922) sending reports of the Russian relief effort (page 3 & 4 of 6)
- To President of US from Herbert Hoover (15 December 1922) sending reports of the Russian relief effort (page 5 & 6 of 6)
- Empty envelope addressed to George Repp from Berlin Germany.
- Article (German) Die zweite hungersnot (14 October 1922)
- To George Repp from Hilfswerk der Wolgadeutschen, Berlin Germany (30 November 1922) (page 1 & 2 of 4)
- To George Repp from Hilfswerk der Wolgadeutschen, Berlin Germany (30 November 1922) (page 3 & 4 of 4)
- To George Repp from JP Goodrich (10 February 1923) explaining has not adequate funds from Voltz estate to pay amount due.
- Copy of telegram to James P. Goodrich from George Repp (no date) waiting for Goodrich arrival in Portland.
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA 20 February 1923) with reports of high regard for Mr. Repp from Mr. Gregg and Mr. Ellingston in reference to one of the attacks in the California Post (page 1 of 7)
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA 20 February 1923) with reports of high regard for Mr. Repp from Mr. Gregg and Mr. Ellingston in reference to one of the attacks in the California Post (page 2 & 3 of 7)
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA 20 February 1923) with reports of high regard for Mr. Repp from Mr. Gregg and Mr. Ellingston in reference to one of the attacks in the California Post (page 4 & 5 of 7)
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA 20 February 1923) with reports of high regard for Mr. Repp from Mr. Gregg and Mr. Ellingston in reference to one of the attacks in the California Post (page 6 & 7 of 7)
- ARA Press Release (1 February 1923) about clothing remittance program success.
- ARA Press Release (9 February 1923) about success of food program and continued need for a successful clothing program (page 1 & 2)
- Newspaper article describing “Slow Russian Recovery seen by JP Goodrich” after his visit to Russia (no date, maybe 1923)
- Telegram to George Repp from JP Goodrich (16 March 1923) “western trip postponed one week”.
- Telegram to George Repp from JP Goodrich (14 March 1923) “will arrive in Portland Oregon ...Sunday night...”
- To “Friends” from George Repp, Balzer (25 February 1922) with (German) letters from Weisenmueller, Kutter, Norka, and Messer (page 1 of 4)

- To "Friends" from George Repp, Balzer (25 February 1922) with (German) letters from Weisenmueller, Kutter, Norka, and Messer (page 2 of 4)
- To "Friends" from George Repp, Balzer (25 February 1922) with (German) letters from Weisenmueller, Kutter, Norka, and Messer (page 3 of 4)
- To "Friends" from George Repp, Balzer (25 February 1922) with (German) letters from Weisenmueller, Kutter, Norka, and Messer (page 4 of 4)

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- To VRS from Irving C. Lee/ARA (7 April 1922) acknowledging \$1230 for food remittance orders (page 1). To ARA from VRS (25 March 1922) submitting \$1230 for food remittance orders (page 2)
- To "My dear Friends" from John Miller (8 April 1922) describing process and projected expenses to bring adults and children from Russia to US (page 1 & 2)
- VRS report (17 April 1922) containing correspondence (German) from Brunntental, Dinkel and Norka (page 1 of 4)
- VRS report (17 April 1922) containing correspondence (German) from Brunntental, Dinkel and Norka (page 2 of 4)
- VRS report (17 April 1922) containing correspondence (German) from Brunntental, Dinkel and Norka (page 3 of 4)
- VRS report (17 April 1922) containing correspondence (German) from Brunntental, Dinkel and Norka (page 4 of 4)
- To John Miller from Irving C. Lee/ARA (10 April 1922) acknowledging \$1590 for food remittance orders (page 1). To ARA from John Miller (1 April 1922) submitting \$1500 for food remittance orders, and commenting a good report was published in a recent California Post issue.
- To John Miller from MH Walker/ARA acknowledging receipt of \$3000 and \$1340 drafts for general feeding as needed and food remittances (page 1). To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (8 April 1922) submitting \$3000 and \$1340 (page 2)
- To VRS from Irving C. Lee/ARA (27 April 1922) acknowledging receipt of \$810 and \$10 (page 1). To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (18 April 1922) submitting \$810 (food drafts) and \$10 currency for a food draft (page 2).
- To "Dear Mrs. Repp" from WE Flynn (ARA Russian Unit) for George Repp (30 April 1922) relaying notes from Mr. Repp and a list of allocations of childfeeding and corn feeding in the volosts of the district (page 1 & 2).
- Envelope to Mrs. George Repp (received 24 May) for the 30 April 1922 letter (page 1 & 2)
- To John Miller from Irving C. Lee/ARA (5 May 1922) acknowledging receipt of \$1170 (page 1). To ARA from John Milleer (22 April 1922) submitting \$1170 for food drafts (page 2).
- To VRS from Irving C. Lee/ARA acknowledging receipt of \$1270 and \$10 (page 1). To ARA from VRS (29 April 1922) submitting \$1270 and \$10 for food drafts (page 2)
- To VRS from Irving C. Lee/ARA about a discrepancy between check for \$1860 and food drafts for \$1870 (page 1). To VRS from Irving C. Lee/ARA (17 May) about processing the food drafts for \$1860 and \$10 (page 2).
- To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller(?) (6 May 1922) submitting \$1860 and \$10 for food drafts. Letter also describes procedure now being used in Portland allowing individuals to send funds and food drafts direct instead of only via VRS and the request for assistance in Ufa (page 1 & 2 of 3)

- To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller(?) (6 May 1922) submitting \$1860 and \$10 for food drafts. Letter also describes procedure now being used in Portland allowing individuals to send funds and food drafts direct instead of only via VRS and the request for assistance in Ufa (page 3 of 3)
- VRS report (German) (24 May 1922) with letters from George Repp, Norka, Beideck and Alt Messer. Also includes a note from John Miller suggesting a conference having a goal of establishing a permanent central German Russian organization (page 1 of 4)
- VRS report (German) (24 May 1922) with letters from George Repp, Norka, Beideck and Alt Messer. Also includes a note from John Miller suggesting a conference having a goal of establishing a permanent central German Russian organization (page 2 of 4)
- VRS report (German) (24 May 1922) with letters from George Repp, Norka, Beideck and Alt Messer. Also includes a note from John Miller suggesting a conference having a goal of establishing a permanent central German Russian organization (page 3 of 4)
- VRS report (German) (24 May 1922) with letters from George Repp, Norka, Beideck and Alt Messer. Also includes a note from John Miller suggesting a conference having a goal of establishing a permanent central German Russian organization (page 4 of 4)
- To John Miller from MH Walker/ARA (25 May 1922) acknowledging receipt of \$3750 for Volga relief work (page 1). To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (18 May 1922) submitting \$3750 for "...relief work in the German Colonies along the Volga, through Mr. Geo. Repp." (page 2)
- To John Miller from Frank Page/ARA (26 May 1922) discussing the famine in Samara "...is completely broken..." and that success is largely due to the efforts of the VRS (page 1 & 2)
- Copy of cablegram to ARA with report from Haskell of his extended inspection trip in lowr Volga Don country, Crimea, Ukraine and Caucasus Don Cossack country (page 1 & 2).
- To "My dear Friends" from John Miller (19 June 1922) discussing letter received from CVRS describing the sending of clothing to Russia (page 1 of 3)
- Copy of letter from Wekesser/CVRS enclosed with Miller 19 June letter describing the sending of clothing to Russia (page 2 & 3 of 3)
- To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (20 June 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$59,798 submitted 2 December 1921 has been accomplished.
- To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (20 June 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$10,000 submitted 2 December 1921 has been accomplished.
- To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (20 June 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$5,000 submitted 12 December 1921 has been accomplished.
- To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (20 June 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$7,500 submitted 27 December 1921 has been accomplished.
- VRS report (German) (13 May 1922) with messages from Dönhof, Moor, Kratzke, Friedenfeld and a listing of the funds collected by various VRS locations and the amounts distributed to villages for food (page 1 of 4)
- VRS report (German) (13 May 1922) with messages from Dönhof, Moor, Kratzke, Friedenfeld and a listing of the funds collected by various VRS locations and the amounts distributed to villages for food (page 2 of 4)
- VRS report (German) (13 May 1922) with messages from Dönhof, Moor, Kratzke, Friedenfeld and a listing of the funds collected by various VRS locations and the amounts distributed to villages for food (page 3 of 4)



VRS report (German) (13 May 1922) with messages from Dönhof, Moor, Kratzke, Friedenfeld and a listing of the funds collected by various VRS locations and the amounts distributed to villages for food (page 4 of 4)

VRS report (23 June 1922) with a report from George Repp, a listing of the funds for distribution of food in the German colonies and letters (German) from Grimm, Schilling, Kutter and Blumenfeld (page 1 of 4)

VRS report (23 June 1922) with a report from George Repp, a listing of the funds for distribution of food in the German colonies and letters (German) from Grimm, Schilling, Kutter and Blumenfeld (page 2 of 4)

VRS report (23 June 1922) with a report from George Repp, a listing of the funds for distribution of food in the German colonies and letters (German) from Grimm, Schilling, Kutter and Blumenfeld (page 3 of 4)

VRS report (23 June 1922) with a report from George Repp, a listing of the funds for distribution of food in the German colonies and letters (German) from Grimm, Schilling, Kutter and Blumenfeld (page 4 of 4)

Telegram to John Miller from ARA (28 June 1922) "...death from famine on the Volga is over. This does not mean destitution and need do not still exist."

To "My dear Friends" from John Miller (6 July 1922) informing them that Mr. Repp is seriously ill with cholera.

ARA report by Edgar Richard, Director General of ARA, and Walter Lyman Brown of London, European Director, on their inspection trip of the famine areas of Russia where ARA is working (28 July 1922) (page 1 & 2 of 4)

ARA report by Edgar Richard, Director General of ARA, and Walter Lyman Brown of London, European Director, on their inspection trip of the famine areas of Russia where ARA is working (28 July 1922) (page 3 & 4 of 4)

To John Miller from MH Walker/ARA (20 July 1922) acknowledging receipt of \$2,500 for food relief to German Colonies on the Volga (page 1). To Frank Page/ARA from John Miller (12 July 1922) submitting \$2500 for general feeding (page 2)

VRS report (29 July 1922) with report from George Repp and correspondence (German) from Kukkus and Norka (page 1 & 2 of 4)

VRS report (29 July 1922) with report from George Repp and correspondence (German) from Kukkus and Norka (page 3 & 4 of 4)

To "Dear Friend" (German) from Rev. Geo. Zocher/ARA secretary (2 August 1922)

Newspaper clipping with photo (no date, July 1922) from The Morning Oregonian "ARA Chief Back from Russia", photo of Col. Willam N. Haskell and family.

Newspaper clipping "Russians Fear Americans May Withdraw Relief", Moscow 3 August 1922

To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (5 August 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$2500 submitted 30 January 1922 has been accomplished.

To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (5 August 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$2250 submitted 13 February 1922 has been accomplished.

To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (5 August 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$2400 submitted 17 February 1922 has been accomplished.

To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (5 August 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$2000 submitted 24 March 1922 has been accomplished.

To VRS from MH Walker/ARA (7 August 1922) stating complete delivery of food represented by \$3000 submitted 15 April 1922 has been accomplished.

VRS report (14 August 1922) with report from George Repp and correspondence (German) from Balzer, Norka, Straub, Saratov, Lauwe, Kamyschin, Kutter, Laub and Rosenheim (page 1 & 2 of 4)

VRS report (14 August 1922) with report from George Repp and correspondence (German) from Balzer, Norka, Straub, Saratov, Lauwe, Kamyschin, Kutter, Laub and Rosenheim (page 3 & 4 of 4)

VRS Festseierlichkeit (German) program in Portland Oregon 1922, pictures of George Repp and John Miller (page 1 & 2 of 4)

VRS Festseierlichkeit (German) program in Portland Oregon 1922, pictures of George Repp and John Miller (page 3 & 4 of 4)

Copy of presentation, probably by John Miller for Festseierlichkeit program (page 1 of 4)

Copy of presentation, probably by John Miller for Festseierlichkeit program (page 2 of 4)

Copy of presentation, probably by John Miller for Festseierlichkeit program (page 3 of 4)

Copy of presentation, probably by John Miller for Festseierlichkeit program (page 4 of 4)

Copy of form used for obtaining subscription to VRS relief work, including pages with names of subscribers, their address and amount subscribed with total of \$32,623.01 (no date) (page 1 of 7)

Copy of form used for obtaining subscription to VRS relief work, including pages with names of subscribers, their address and amount subscribed with total of \$32,623.01 (no date) (page 2 of 7)

Copy of form used for obtaining subscription to VRS relief work, including pages with names of subscribers, their address and amount subscribed with total of \$32,623.01 (no date) (page 3 of 7)

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To John Miller from HJ Amen/AVRS (22 May 1923) discussing plans to hold the next convention in Greeley Colorado (page 1 & 2)

**Collection 1; Series XVI: Assorted records from additional small file boxes in AHSGR vault.**

Box 11, Folder 1, Multiple topics, including lists of household numbers with names of persons material was provided to in villages

Notice: From the Society of Volga Germans About Shipments of Relief Packages to Russia, two pages, English translation and German (page 1 and 2)

Society of Volga Germans, E.V., Berlin NW 52, Schloss Belleveu, request for medical supplies to counteract malaria; English translations (pages 1 and 2)

Society of Volga Germans, E.V., Berlin NW 52, Schloss Belleveu, request for medical supplies to counteract malaria; English translations (German original (pages 3 and 4)

Fellow Countryman! Have You Ordered the Volga German Monthly Yet?, English translation (pages 1 and 2 of 7)

Fellow Countryman! Have You Ordered the Volga German Monthly Yet?, English translation (pages 3 and 4 of 7)

Fellow Countryman! Have You Ordered the Volga German Monthly Yet?, English translation (pages 5 of 7)

Fellow Countryman! Have You Ordered the Volga German Monthly Yet?, German original (pages 6 and 7 of 7)

Page from 20 January 1922 Sutton (Nebraska) News, note of LL Nuss receiving funds from Lodi California for relief of starving Russians.

Pages from 24 February 1922 Sutton (Nebraska) News, The Volga Relief article with letters from George Repp and John W. Miller (page 1 and 2)

Pages from 31 March 1922 Sutton (Nebraska) News, The Volga Relief with letters from George Repp and John W. Miller (page 1 and 2)

Pages from 21 April 1922 Sutton (Nebraska) News, Sutton Relief Work in South Russia by Rev. R. Birk, letter from Frank Page (ARA) to Rev. Birk, and article explaining difficulty of delivery of food in Russia (page 1 and 2 of 3)

Pages from 21 April 1922 Sutton (Nebraska) News, Sutton Relief Work in South Russia by Rev. R. Birk, letter from Frank Page (ARA) to Rev. Birk, and article explaining difficulty of delivery of food in Russia (page 3 of 3)

Letter from A. Schneider, Pastor (Organization of Volga Germans, Berlin) to Mr. Jakob Weber, Lincoln Nebraska, 6 September 1923, English translation (page 1) and German original (page 2)

Page from 28 October 1922 Sutton (Nebraska) News, article Starving Russia Asks for Help by John Glantz

Pages from 17 November 1922 Sutton (Nebraska) News, Suttons' Aid Reaches Russia (page 1 and 2)

Handwritten records 17 June 1923, Parcels from the Volga Relief Society – Denver Colorado, (page 1 and 2)

Handwritten records in English no date, List of People who Received Parcels According to Lists No. 211 and No. 212 (from Lincoln Nebraska) (page 1 and 2)

Handwritten records in Russian, no date, List of People who Received Parcels According to Lists No. 211 and No. 212 (from Lincoln Nebraska) (page 1 and 2)

Title in Russian (English translation), believed to be related to contents and distribution of packages 209, 210, 213 and 214.(page 1 and 2)

Title in Russian, handwritten records, believed to be related to contents and distribution of packages 209, 210, 213 and 214.(page 1 and 2)

Typed English translation, No. 213 and 214, Private packages arriving from Lincoln Nebraska with list of sender and recipient (page 1 of 3)

Handwritten record, title in Russia, for No. 213 and 214, Private packages arriving from Lincoln Nebraska with list of sender and recipient (page 2 and 3 of 3)

Typed English translation, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 1 and 2 of 5)

Typed English translation, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 3 and 4 of 5)

Typed English translation, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 5 of 5)

- Handwritten copy of records, Russian and German, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 1 and 2 of 11)
- Handwritten copy of records, Russian and German, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 3 and 4 of 11)
- Handwritten copy of records, Russian and German, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 5 and 6 of 11)
- Handwritten copy of records, Russian and German, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 7 and 8 of 11)
- Handwritten copy of records, Russian and German, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 9 and 10 of 11)
- Handwritten copy of records, Russian and German, List of the distribution of loose items found in packages No. 209, 210, 211, 212, 213 and 214 with names of persons and their house number (page 11 of 11)
- English typed translation: To the Volga Relief of Lincoln Nebr. From the Committee, names of persons in Dittel who received packages delivered by Mr. J. Volz. (page 1 of)
- Handwritten records, in German, To the Volga Relief of Lincoln Nebr. From the Committee, names of persons in Dittel who received packages delivered by Mr. J. Volz. (page 2 and 3 of 3)
- English typed translation, List from Dittel Club for collecting money for repairing the church and school in Dittel Russia. Includes names, addresses and pledged amount of persons from Nebraska (mainly Lincoln) (page 1 of 3)
- Handwritten records, in German, List from Dittel Club for collecting money for repairing the church and school in Dittel Russia. Includes names, addresses and pledged amount of persons from Nebraska (mainly Lincoln) (page 2 and 3 of 3)

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Box 11, Folder 2, Kukkus related material from Phillip Reifschneider, including a pseudo census, and donated by Henry P. Reifschneider

- Record identifying Henry P. Reifschneider, 23 Nov 1992, as submitter of the Phillip Reifschneider materials
- Request for Certificate of Arrival, 11 May 1956, from Fred Riefschneider (page 1 & 2)
- To Peter Schneider, 18 August 1922, envelope and letter from Hilswerk der Volgadeutschen, Berlin (German)
- To Herr Peter Schneider, 27 Dec 1922, from Hilswerk der Volgadeutschen, Berlin (German)
- Handwritten note signed by Johannes Dittenbier, George Enns (?), Georg Engelman, Georg Herzog, no date (German)
- To Friedrich & Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, two cards acknowledging receipt of food packages in Russia
- To Phillip Reifschneider a card acknowledging receipt of food package in Russia and note to ARA from Joh. Eber, Rector of Volskaya, authorizing Power of Attorney to Jacob Eurich to take delivery of food packages for Volskaya, 25 Sept 1922

To Friedrich Reifschneider, 3 Nov 1923, a card acknowledging receipt of food package in Russia

To Phillip Reifschneider, 15 July 1922, delivery acknowledgment from ARA of 30 packages of food (\$500) in Russia (page 1 & 2)

To Phillip Reifschneider, 27 XI (?) 1925 from Goh (?) Schlollhaus (German) (page 1 & 2)

Handwritten records from Kukkus, 1925, appear to be listing of persons who received ? and quantities with their signatures (pag 1 & 2 of 7) (German)

Handwritten records from Kukkus, 1925, appear to be listing of persons who received ? and quantities with their signatures (pag 3 & 4 of 7) (German)

Handwritten records from Kukkus, 1925, appear to be listing of persons who received ? and quantities with their signatures (pag 5 & 6 of 7) (German)

Handwritten records from Kukkus, 1925, appear to be listing of persons who received ? and quantities with their signatures (pag 7 of 7) (German)

Typewritten record of Lincoln Kukkus support group. Includes amount of money contributed by individuals. Names on document include Georg Weigandt, Philip Reifschneider, Georg Heinrich, HeinrichKrumm, Georg Engelman, Johannes Dittenbier, Georg Herzog (German) (page 1 & 2)

Handwritten note (German) 16 ? 1924 and receipt in Russian

Handwritten record, 18 xI (?) 1925, from Kukkus (German) signed by five leaders (not translated) and another list of persons names and amount (?) received (page 1 & 2 of 6)

Handwritten record, 18 xI (?) 1925, from Kukkus (German) signed by five leaders (not translated) and another list of persons names and amount (?) received (page 3 & 4 of 6)

Handwritten record, 18 xI (?) 1925, from Kukkus (German) signed by five leaders (not translated) and another list of persons names and amount (?) received (page 5 & 6 of 6)

To Friedrich Reifschneider, two cards acknowledging receipt of food packages in Russia

To Phillip & Johann Reifschneider, two cards acknowledging receipt of food packages in Russia, one in German, one in Russian

To Philipp Reifschneider, 2 Jan 1925, handwritten letter (German) (page 1 & 2)

Typewritten list of names numbered from 85 through 138

Typed financial report (?), no date (German)

Typed records of Lincoln NE support group for Volga German colonies with contributors, amount pledged, village and name of recipient, villages Laub, Kukus, Baltzr, Jost, Anten, Stahl, Ramschck, Norka, Dietel, Moor, Linevo, Huck, (page 1 & 2 of 4)

Typed records of Lincoln NE support group for Volga German colonies with contributors, amount pledged, village and name of recipient, villages Laub, Kukus, Baltzr, Jost, Anten, Stahl, Ramschck, Norka, Dietel, Moor, Linevo, Huck, (page 3 & 4 of 4)

Typed financial report (?), no date, with names and amount pledged.

Typed report by Philip Reifschneider, 4 Jan 1926 (German)

Handwritten (German) report about Kukkus, signed by Johan. Weigant, ? Felsing, and others (page 1 & 2)

Russian postcard to Philipp Reifschneider, very difficult to read (page 1 & 2)

Postcard to Fred Reifschneider, 20 April 1922, from ARA acknowledging receipt of food package in Russia

Russian Food Remittance receipt 11147 from ARA to Fred Reifschneider, 25 Nov 1921 (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance receipt 11148 from ARA to Fred Reifschneider, 28 Nov 1921 (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 11148 from ARA to Fred Reifschneider

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 11148 from ARA to Fred Reifschneider

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 28942, 23 Jan 1922, from ARA to Freidrich Reifschneider for delivery to Phillipu Petr. Johannes, Volskaya, Samara (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 28941, 23 Jan 1922, from ARA to Freidrich Reifschneider for delivery to Alexandeer Yaklvw. Schengel, Volskaya, Samara (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 28943, 23 Jan 1922, from ARA to Freidrich Reifschneider for delivery to Amalie Rosenthal (widow), Volskaya, Samara (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 39079, 16 Feb 1922, from ARA to Freidrich Reifschneider for delivery to Joh. Philipp Johannes (wife born Reifschneider), Volskaya, Samara (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 149237, 15 June 1922, from ARA to Georg Kukus for delivery to Johannas Schlotthauer (Schoolmaster), Volskaya (Kukus), Samara (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 76523, 13 April 1922, from ARA to Freidrich Reifschneider for delivery to Alexander Schangel (wife born Reifschneider), Volskaya (Kukus), Samara (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 76524, 13 April 1922, from ARA to Freidrich Reifschneider for delivery to Joh. Philip Johannes (wife born Reifschneider), Volskaya (Kukus), via Saratov (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 53515, 16 March 1922, from ARA to Freidrich Reifschneider for delivery to Alexander Jakl. Schengel (wife born Reifschneider), Volskaya (Kukus), via Saratov (page 1 & 2)

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 28943, 16 V 1922, from ARA to Friedrich Reifschneider

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 28941, 17 V 1922, from ARA to Friedrich Reifschneider

Russian Food Remittance Delivery Order 28942, 17 V 1922, from ARA to Friedrich Reifschneider

Russian Food Remittance receipt 41707 from ARA to Philip Reifschneider, 23 Feb 1922 (page 1 & 2) for delivery to Johannes Schlotthauere (Schoolmaster), Wolskaja (Kukus), Saratow

Russian Food Remittance receipt 76383 from ARA to Philip Reifschneider, 23 Feb 1922 (page 1 & 2) for delivery to Johannes Bell, Wolskaja (Kukus), Saratov

Russian Food Remittance receipt 89408 from ARA to Philip Reifschneider, 25 April 1922 (page 1 & 2) for delivery to Sa Sele Volskoe, (Kukus), Saratov

Form letter from Central States Volga Relief Society, 10 Jun 1922, from Dr. Henry P. Wekesser, President: Very Important Notice Concerning Sending of Clothing to Russia by the CSVRS (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Henry Derr for clothing to Friedrich Derr and to John Reifschneider for clothing to Conrad Schwarz (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Geo P. Bohl for clothing to Jacob Moor and to Fred Paul for clothing to George Solwasser (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Fred Paul for clothing to John Paul and to Elisabeth Schnell for clothing to Johannes Schmidt (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Johannes Spädt for clothing to Jacob Spädt and to John Spädt for clothing to Peter Ohlberg (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to William Kaiser for clothing to Adrian Hixt and to Henry Rosenthoer for clothing to Elisabeth Axt (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to F. Reischneider for clothing to Alexander Schengel and to Adour (?) for clothing to Heinrich Miller (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Conrad Schnell for clothing to Margaret Schnell and to Geo. Heinrich for clothing to Johan. Rosenthal (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Franz Michel for clothing to Alexand Reis and to Alexander Wasenmiller for clothing to AA Stienefreise (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Henry Muntz for clothing to Elisabeth Fleming and to Jacob Schegel for clothing to Jacob Niederhouse (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to John Dittenbier for clothing to Widow Babarra Kukus and to Phillipp Reifschneider for clothing to Pastor John Erbes (page 1 & 2)

Receipts from CVRS for clothing being sent to Russia: receipt to Geo P. Bohl for clothing to Heinrich Bohl

Form letter to Dear Friend from ARA, 23 Jan 1922, discussing how to send clothing directly to persons in villages

Form letter to Dear Friend from ARA, 5 Dec 1922, discussing Clothing Remittance Plan now established (\$20 per clothing bundle)

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 23 Dec 1922, acknowledging \$200 for food remittances to Wolskaja, Samara

To George Heinrich from ARA, 16 Feb 1922, acknowledging \$100 for food remittances to Selo Wolskaju (Kukus), Samara

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 19 June 1922, acknowledging \$500 for food remittances to Sa Selo Wolskoe (Kukus), via Saratov

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 31 Oct 1922, with letters of thanks from recipients of \$500 food remittances (letters not included with this item)

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 14 Nov 1922, about letters of thanks “that do not belong to you” and inquiries for five food packages not yet acknowledged

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 22 Nov 1922, with letter of thanks for food remittance 39408

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 24 Nov 1922, with letter of thanks for \$500 food remittance submitted 25 April (letter not included with this item)

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 14 Dec 1922, discussing how validity of signatures of food recipients will be verified

To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 30 Jan 1923, discussing ARA Bulletin No. 32 dealing with Russian operations of providing food and medical aid. Up to

- 10,500,000 persons (including 4,175,000 children) received a meal a day of American food.
- To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 16 Feb 1923, with notification food delivered for \$500 food remittance of 19 June 1922
- To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 8 May 1923, with receipt for 50 delivered food packages and list of beneficiaries for food remittance of 19 June 1922
- To Phillip Reifschneider from ARA, 15 July 1922, Food Remittance for 50 packages (\$500) for Sa Selo Volskoe (Kukus)
- Note scrap (German) with reference to Welt Post and Omaha Taeglichan Tribune newspapers
- Handwritten letter (German) from Pastor Johannes Erbes, Kukkus, with notations to printer for publication (page 1 & 2 of 6)
- Handwritten letter (German) from Pastor Johannes Erbes, Kukkus, with notations to printer for publication (page 3 & 4 of 6)
- Handwritten letter (German) from Pastor Johannes Erbes, Kukkus, with notations to printer for publication (page 5 & 6 of 6)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (1 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (2 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (3 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (4 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (5 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (6 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (7 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (8 of 9)
- Typed (but damaged) Versammlung (assembly or congregation) reports from Kukus (German) (9 of 9)
- To Phillip Reifschneider from AVRS, 9 May 1924, acknowledging \$50 with receipts from Kukus people in Lincoln to be distributed to orphans (\$45) in village Kukus and to Pastor Erbus (\$5) (page 1 & 2)
- To Friedrich Reigschneider from ARA, 16 Feb 1922, acknowledging \$30 Russian Food Remittance for Alexander Jak. Schengel (wife born Reifschneider) in Wolskaja (Kukus)
- To Phillip and Friedrich Reifschneider from ARA, three postcards acknowledging food packages distributed to Russia (page 1 & 2)
- Verteigungsliste from Kukus, 3 Oct 1922, with house numbers and names of families (page 1 of 7)
- Verteigungsliste from Kukus, 3 Oct 1922, with house numbers and names of families (page 2 of 7)
- Verteigungsliste from Kukus, 3 Oct 1922, with house numbers and names of families (page 3 of 7)
- Verteigungsliste from Kukus, 3 Oct 1922, with house numbers and names of families (page 4 of 7)



Verteigungsliste from Kukus, 3 Oct 1922, with house numbers and names of families  
(page 5 of 7)

Verteigungsliste from Kukus, 3 Oct 1922, with house numbers and names of families  
(page 6 of 7)

Verteigungsliste from Kukus, 3 Oct 1922, with house numbers and names of families  
(page 7 of 7)

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Box 11, Folder 3, Includes receipt lists signed by individuals who received the items.  
Bauer and Jost villages identified, other villages not identified.

Receipt list from village ? signed by individuals who received the items. No date  
(German) (page 1 & 2 of 3)

Receipt list from village ? signed by individuals who received the items. (German)  
(page 3 of 3)

Delivery order list from warehouse, 5 May 1923 (English and Russian)

Receipt list from village Bauer, signed by individuals who received the items with  
house number. 23 May 1923 (German)

Receipt list from village Bauer, signed by individuals who received the items with  
house number. 1 Nov 1923 (German)

Scrap note (German) 22 May 1923

Note (German) to Dear Brother Volz, 23 May 1923 (almost illegible)

Receipt list from village ?, signed by individuals who received the items. No date  
(German) (almost illegible)

Notes (German, by Jacob Volz) about items distributed to individuals in several  
villages (page 1 of 9)

Notes (German, by Jacob Volz) about items distributed to individuals in several  
villages (page 2 & 3 of 9)

Notes (German, by Jacob Volz) about items distributed to individuals in several  
villages (page 4 & 5 of 9)

Notes (German, by Jacob Volz) about items distributed to individuals in several  
villages (page 6 & 7 of 9)

Notes (German, by Jacob Volz) about items distributed to individuals in several  
villages (page 8 & 9 of 9)

Receipt list from village Jost, signed by individuals who received the items. August  
1923 (German) (page 1 of 5)

Receipt list from village Jost, signed by individuals who received the items. August  
1923 (German) (page 2 & 3 of 5)

Receipt list from village Jost, signed by individuals who received the items. August  
1923 (German) (page 4 & 5 of 5)

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AHSGR vault.**

Box 11, Folder 4, Receipts mailed from Russia by Jacob Volz

Envelope used by Jacob Volz to mail receipts to AVRS, 126 South 11<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Lincoln Nebraska, USA

Receipt, 14 May 1923 (Russian)

Receipt, 20 May 1923 (German), signed by Pastor Ed Eichhorn, dorf ? Salicha

Receipt (Russian)

Receipt (Russian), 21 May (?) 1923

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Box 11, Folder 5, Letters (German) to and from Pastor Kuchne

Typed letter (German) to Pastor Kuchne, 22 Dec 1923, from Dr. Straube (page 1 & 2 of 4)

Typed letter (German) to Pastor Kuchne, 22 Dec 1923, from Dr. Straube (page 3 of 4)

Typed letter (German) to Pastor Kuchne, 22 Dec 1923, from Dr. Straube (page 4 of 4)

Typed letter (German) to Pastor Richard Kuchne, 22 Dec 1923, from ?

Typed letter (German) to ?, 26 Dec 1923, from Pastor R. Kuchne

**Collection 1; Series XVII**

**Record Book of American Volga Relief Society (original book in AHSGR Vault, box marked "Volga Relief Society")**

Box 12, Folder 1: Records of Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Lincoln Nebraska 3-5 Nov 1922

Typed (German) minutes (page 1 & 2 of 14)

Typed (German) minutes (page 3 & 4 of 14)

Typed (German) minutes (page 5 & 6 of 14)

Typed (German) minutes (page 7 & 8 of 14)

Typed (German) minutes (page 9 & 10 of 14)

Typed (German) minutes (page 11 & 12 of 14)

Typed (German) minutes (page 12 & 14 of 14)

**Collection 1; Series XVII**

**Record Book of American Volga Relief Society (original book in AHSGR Vault, box marked "Volga Relief Society")**

Box 12, Folder 2: Constitution of the American Volga Relief Society

Typed (German) (page 1 & 2 of 6)

Typed (German) (page 3 & 4 of 6)

Typed (German) (page 5 & 6 of 6)

**Collection 1; Series XVII**

**Record Book of American Volga Relief Society (original book in AHSGR Vault, box marked "Volga Relief Society")**

Box 12, Folder 3: Minutes of AVRS Executive Council, 8 Nov 1922 – 3 Sept 1923

Typed (German) (page 1 & 2 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 3 & 4 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 5 & 6 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 7 & 8 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 9 & 10 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 11 & 12 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 13 & 14 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 15 & 16 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 17 & 18 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 19 & 20 of 42)

Typed (German) (page 21 & 22 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 23 & 24 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 25 & 26 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 27 & 28 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 29 & 30 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 31 & 32 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 33 & 34 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 35 & 36 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 37 & 38 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 39 & 40 of 42)  
Typed (German) (page 41 & 42 of 42)

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**Record Book of American Volga Relief Society (original book in AHSGR Vault, box marked "Volga Relief Society")**

Box 12, Folder 4: Records of Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Greeley Colorado, 22 – 23 August 1923

Typed (German) (page 1 & 2 of 16)  
Typed (German) (page 3 & 4 of 16)  
Typed (German) (page 5 & 6 of 16)  
Typed (German) (page 7 & 8 of 16)  
Typed (German) (page 9 & 10 of 16)  
Typed (German) (page 11 & 12 of 16)  
Typed (German) (page 13 & 14 of 16)  
Typed (German) (page 15 & 16 of 16)

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**Record Book of American Volga Relief Society (original book in AHSGR Vault, box marked "Volga Relief Society")**

Box 12, Folder 5: Minutes of AVRS Executive Council, 19 Sept 1923 – 13 May 1924

Typed (German) (page 1 & 2 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 3 & 4 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 5 & 6 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 7 & 8 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 9 & 10 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 11 & 12 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 13 & 14 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 15 & 16 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 17 & 18 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 19 & 20 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 21 & 22 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 23 & 24 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 25 & 26 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 27 & 28 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 29 & 30 of 32)  
Typed (German) (page 31 & 32 of 32)

Box 12, Folder 6: Records of Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Portland Oregon, 11-15 June 1924

Typed (German) (page 1 & 2 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 3 & 4 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 5 & 6 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 7 & 8 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 9 & 10 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 11 & 12 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 13 & 14 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 15 & 16 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 17 & 18 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 19 & 20 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 21 & 22 of 24)  
Typed (German) (page 23 & 24 of 24)

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**Record Book of American Volga Relief Society (original book in AHSGR Vault, box marked "Volga Relief Society")**

Box 12, Folder 7: Convention pennants for Delegate and Committee, Deutschen National-Versammlung (conference), Lincoln Nebraska, 23-27 June 1926

**Collection 1; Series XVIII , 1924 bank draft records drawn on State Bank. Record contains: B.U.S. number, date (all 1924), City (normally Saratov), Order of (name of person), amount, Sold to (if available, appears to be the person who obtained or paid for the funds – not necessarily the 'Order to' person)**

Box 13

BUS 174701, 26 May 1924, Order of George Baum, \$25 and BUS 174702, 27 May 1924, Order of Margreta Trippil, \$10  
BUS 174703, 27 May 1924, Order of Katrina Trippel, \$10 and BUS 174704, 23 June 1924, Order of George Maul \$21.80  
BUS 174705, 3 July 1924, Order of Nicklaus Brumm, \$30, Sold to P. Brumm and  
BUS 174706, 12 July 1924, Order of Jacob Rusch, \$10, Sold to Jns Walter  
BUS 174707, 14 July 1924, Order of Peter Senner, \$10, Sold to John Senner and  
BUS 174708, 16 July 1924, Order of David Schriber, \$10, Sold to D Schriber  
BUS 174711, 18 July 1924, Order of Heinrich Kalben, \$5, Sold to Mrs. Mohr and  
BUS 174712, 18 July 1924, Order of A.A. Luft, \$10, Sold to Mrs. Mohr  
BUS 174713, 21 July 1924, Order of Johannes Fraselister(?), \$25, Sold to B.F. and  
BUS 174714, 24 July 1924, City Tachkent, Order of France B. Schmidt, \$20  
BUS 174715, 29 July 1924, Order of Conrad Harris, \$20, Sold to Peter Harris, 305 H  
and BUS 174716, 230 July 1924, Order of Louisa Steaben, \$25, Sold to Mrs.  
Mohr  
BUS 174717, 30 July 1924, Order of Jacob Lorie, \$?, sole to Go Schnegelbuger (draft  
cancelled and forwarded to money order 26 Dec 1924) and BUS 174718, 31 July  
1924, Order of Alexander Schmidt, \$10  
BUS 174719, 31 July 1924, Order of Katharina Gettman, \$15, Sold to HJ Amen and  
BUS 174720, 31 July 1924, Order of Hennje(?) Juthe Wacker, \$10, Sold to HJ  
Amen  
BUS 174721, 1 Aug 1924, Order of Heinrich Hoff, \$20, Sold to Geo Bauer and BUS  
174722, 31 July 1924, Order of Katherena Gettman, \$10, Sold to HJ Amen

BUS 174723, 6 Aug 1924, Order of Heinrich Bauer, \$10, sold to HJ Ameb and BUS 174724, 6 Aug 1924, Order of Heinrejetta Wacker, \$5, Sold to HJ Amen

BUS 174725, 6 Aug 1924, Order of Peter Bropp, \$5 and BUS 174726, 6 Aug 1924, Order of Baldaser Becker \$25, Sold to Jacob Schwabauer, 244 F

BUS 174727, 6 Aug 1924, Order of Peter Becker, \$10 and BUS 174728, 7 Aug 1924, Order of Peter Roh \$10, Sold to M Roh

BUS 174729, 7 Aug 1924, Order of David Geier, \$10 and BUS 174730, 12 Aug 1924, Order of George F. Damm \$5, Sold to H Lorensen(?)

BUS 174731, 13 Aug 1924, Order of Johan Peter Harris, \$25, Sold to Bruze and BUS 174732, 15 Aug 1924, Order of George Groth \$15

BUS 174733, 15 Aug 1924, Order of Peter C. Schmidt, \$20, Sold to Henry Schmidt and BUS 174734, 15 Aug 1924, Order of Peter C. Schmidt \$20, Sold to H. Schmidt

BUS 174735, 16 Aug 1924, Order of Adam Schweber, \$30, Sold to D. Schweber and BUS 174736, 16 Aug 1924, Order of Johan Peer Greir \$30, Sold to D. Schweber

BUS 174737, 16 Aug 1924, Order of Jacob Kaufman, \$30 and BUS 174738, 16 Aug 1924, Order of George Burbag \$40, Sold to H. Burbag

BUS 174739, 16 Aug 1924, Order of Johannes Burbag, \$20, Sold to H. Burbag and BUS 174740, 18 Aug 1924, Order of Mareak Grenwaldt \$10, Sold to Bal Grenwaldt

BUS 174741, 19 Aug 1924, Order of Adam Schweber, \$25, Sold to John Schweber and BUS 174742, 19 Aug 1924, Order of Susana M. Deitrich \$10, Sold to Dstihn(?)

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BUS 174745, 20 Aug 1924, Order of Maria Maul, \$10, Sold to Jacob Walter and BUS 174746, 23 Aug 1924, Order of Elesa Margrato Jacob \$40, Sold to Conrad (?) Jacobs(?)

BUS 174747, 25 Aug 1924, Order of Alexander Rehm, \$15, Sold to Alex Kohler and BUS 174748, 28 Aug 1924, Order of Katrena Humburg \$15, Sold to C. Snebell(?)

BUS 174749, 29 Aug 1924, Order of Conrad Becker, \$15, Sold to Mrs. Shordem(?) and BUS 174750, 29 Aug 1924, Order of HenriiJellie(?)Wacker \$25, Sold to H. Wacker, Fort Collins

BUS 174751, 29 Aug 1924, Order of Jacob Grisick, \$20, Sold to A. Beck and BUS 174752, 1 Sept 1924, Order of George Maul \$20, Sold to Jacob Maul

BUS 174753, 2 Sept 1924, Order of Conrad Damer, \$25, Sold to Bal Damer, Madred Nebr and BUS 174754, 2 Sept 1924, Order of Maria M. Laub \$25, Sold to Bal Damer, Motred(?) Nebr

BUS 174755, 8 Sept 1924, Order of Johan. Grs. Georg, \$25, Sold to Bal Wertz Sr. and BUS 174756, 8 Sept 1924, Order of Elisabeth Schmidt \$10

BUS 174757, 10 Sept 1924, Order of Johan Miller, \$15, Sold to c. Miller and BUS 174758, 12 Sept 1924, Order of Emanuel Schlaiger \$10, Sold to C Miller

BUS 174759, 15 Sept 1924, Order of Marea K. Grenewaldt, \$30, Sold to B. Brenewaldt and BUS 174760, 15 Sept 1924, Order of Katrena Hevenetter \$10, Sold to J Fisher

BUS 174761, 15 Sept 1924, Order of Susana Weibert, \$20, Sold to J Fisher and BUS 174762, 15 Sept 1924, Order of Johan Ruby \$15, Sold to Peter Ruby

BUS 174763, 18 Sept 1924, Order of Katrina Grab, \$20, Sold to J Rohrig and BUS 174764, 18 Sept 1924, Order of Jacob Hergert \$10, Sold to G Borgant

BUS 174765, 21 Sept 1924, Order of Katreia Gettman \$10, Sold to W Schrainger (?)  
 and BUS 174726, 23 Sept 1924, Order of Karl Uhrich \$15m Sold to JJ Uhrich  
 BUS 174767, 23 Sept 1924, Order of Phillip Uhrich, \$15, Sold to JJ Uhrich and BUS  
 174768, 24 Sept 1924, Order of Conrad Hahn \$20, Sold to H Bauer, 700 N  
 BUS 174769, 25 Sept 1924, Order of Conrad Reis, \$10, Sold to M. Jacob Jr. and BUS  
 174770, 25 Sept 1924, Order of Marea Reis %5, Sold to M. Jacob Jr.  
 BUS 174771, 1 Oct 1924, Order of Johannes Kriser, \$40, Sold to Joh Kriser and BUS  
 174772, 7 Oct 1924, Order of Conrad Beck \$40 (?), Sold to AB  
 BUS 174773, 7 Oct 1924, Order of George Beck, \$15, Sold to AB and BUS 174774,  
 10 Oct 1924, Order of Maria Bender \$20, Sold to Jacob Schwebauer  
 BUS 174775, 10 Oct 1924, Order of Johannes Benner, \$5, Sold to Hergern and BUS  
 174776, 13 Oct 1924, City Tachkent, Order of France B. Schmidt \$30, Sold to H  
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 BUS 174777, 22 Oct 1924, Order of Johan Phillip Wertz, \$15, Sold to Geo Bhenn(?)  
 and BUS 174778, 22 Oct 1924, Order of Margrata Walter \$10, Sold to PP Mauter  
 BUS 174779, 22 Oct 1924, Order of Wilhelm Rohrich, \$20 and BUS 174780, 25 Oct  
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 BUS 174781, 25 Oct 1924, Order of Amalia Frank, \$10 and BUS 174782, 28 Oct  
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 BUS 174783, 28 Oct 1924, Order of Amalia Lauck, \$20, Sold to Geo Gakell and  
 BUS 174784, 30 Oct 1924, Order of Anna Rohrich \$10, Sold to John Kriser  
 BUS 174785, 30 Oct 1924, Order of KAmalia Weber, \$10, Sold to John Keiser and  
 BUS 174786, 30 Oct 1924, Order of Anna M. Radiel(?) \$10, Sold to Joh Kriser  
 BUS 174787, 31 Oct 1924, Order of Alexander Schwabauer, \$20, Sold to JS and  
 BUS 174788, 3 Nov 1924, Order of Martin Schilling \$5  
 BUS 174789, 4 Nov 1924, Order of Maria K. Grenewalt, \$20 and BUS 174790, 10  
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 BUS 174791, 15 Nov 1924, Order of Mrs. Phillip Heimbuch, \$5, Sold to Conrad  
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 BUS 174793, 15 Nov 1924, Order of Katrina George Bott \$45, Sold to Peter Spomer  
 and BUS 174794, 15 Nov 1924, Order of Katrina G. Meier \$5, Sold to P Spomer  
 BUS 174795, 17 Nov 1924, Order of Jacob Rehm, \$15, Sold to ? Kohler and BUS  
 174796, 18 Nov 1924, Order of Elizamargrata Jacob, house 341 \$30, Sold to  
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 BUS 174797, 18 Nov 1924, Order of Jacob Geier, \$20, Sold to Peter M. Jacob and  
 BUS 174798, 18 Nov 1924, Order of Baldaser Becker \$20, Sold to Jacob  
 Schwebauer  
 BUS 174799, 20 Nov 1924, Order of Margrata Vogel, \$10 and BUS 174800, 20 Nov  
 1924, Order of Benjamin Denger \$10  
 BUS 174801, 20 Nov 1924, Order of Karl K. Stumpf, \$20 and BUS 174802, 22 Nov  
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 BUS 174803, 22 Nov 1924, Order of Peter K. Schmidt, \$10, Sold to HPS and BUS  
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 BUS 174805, 25 Nov 1924, Order of John H. Beck \$30, Sold to Hergerrt and BUS  
 174806, 25 Nov 1924, Order of Jacob Beck \$10, Sold to Hergert  
 BUS 174807, 25 Nov 1924, Order of Jacob H. Dell, \$20 and BUS 174808, 26 Nov  
 1924, Order of David Hartman \$10, Sold to J Kriser  
 BUS 174809, 26 Nov 1924, Order of Jacob Rohrigh, \$5, Sold to J. Keiser and BUS  
 174810, 27 Nov 1924, Order of Conrad G. Meier(?) \$10, Sold to Peter Harris, 305  
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BUS 174811, 27 Nov 1924, Order of Katrina Gettman, \$15, Sold to John Amen, Hastings and BUS 174812, 228Nov 1924, Order of Peter Bropp \$10, Sold to J Harmann

BUS 174813, 28 Nov 1924, Order of August Luft, \$10, Sold to Peter Kaufman Jr. and BUS 174814, 28 Nov 1924, Order of Alexander Luft \$10, Sold to Peter Damm (Dann?)

BUS 174815, 29 Nov 1924, Order of Johannes Helzer, \$70, Sold to Adam Baker and BUS 174816, 29 Nov 1924, Order of Nicklaus Brum \$20, Sold to A Brum

BUS 174817, 29 Nov 1924, Order of Jacob Roh, \$10, Sold to Adam Brum and BUS 174818, 29 Nov 1924, Order of Johann Graff \$10, Sold to George Groff

BUS 174819, 29 Nov 1924, Order of KJohannes Schriner(?), \$10, Sold to PP Mauter and BUS 174820, 29 Nov 1924, Order of Johan Graff \$20, Sold to G Graff

BUS 174821, 2 Dec 1924, Order of Fredrich Broth, \$30, Sold to H Broth and BUS 174822, 2 Dec 1924, Order of Conrad Schmall \$20, Sold to JH Schmall

BUS 174823, 2 Dec 1924, Order of John Yakel, \$30, Sold to Mrs. Mohn and BUS 174824, 2 Dec 1924, Order of Jredrich Steuben (?) \$20, Sold to Mrs. Mohr

BUS 174825, 2 Dec 1924, Order of John Peter Harris, \$20, Sold to M Harris and BUS 174826, 2 Dec 1924, Order of Elesabet Kletter \$10, Sold to M Harris

BUS 174827, 2 Dec 1924, Order of Johannes Blum, \$10 and BUS 174828, 3 Dec 1924, Order of ? C. Hergert \$20

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BUS 174833, 6 Dec 1924, Order of Baldaser Gorg, \$20, Sold to J Gerpng(?) and BUS 174834, 6 Dec 1924, Order of Johan Miller \$10, Sold to C. Miller

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Subseries A: Copies from Herbert Hoover Institute, boxes 315 & 347**

Box 14

Cover sheet for group "Central States Volga Relief Society"

Copy Control Slip: Collection ARA RD, box 315, folder 8, dated July 1996

Copy Control Slip: Collection ARA RD, box 347, folder 1; dated July 1996

Cablegram, 9 January 1922, from Repp to ARA: feeding 15,685 children, in two weeks will feed 30,000. Suffering indescribable

Cablegram, 28 January 1922, relay for Repp message from Saratov: feeding adults in Golgi Karamuisch Uyezd

Cablegram, 13 April 1922, from Repp "transmit Miller Mennonites Cable sisters conditions, make her comfortable" (?)

Cablegram, 7 July 1922. Repp has Cholera

Cablegram, 8 July 1922. Repp made ill by Cholera inoculation but now recovered.

Cablegram, 13 July 1922. Moscow advises Repp had slight illness some weeks ago. They have no advice about further illness. Oregon asks for personal assurance.

Cablegram, 19 July 1922, from Repp "enjoying good health. Leaving for states July 17"

Cablegram, 12 September 1922, for Quinn and Lehrs. Repp bringing children to America on Baltic American Line.

ARA letter, 14 September 1922. Frank Page/ARA to Wm. C. Mullendors, Dept. of Commerce, Washington DC. Praise for work of George Repp, representative of Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon.

Cablegram, 25 September 1922, asking for clarification of "Repp bringing children..." Reference to two widows and seven children who left for Riga 3 August.

ARA letter, 29 September 1922, Frank C. Page/ARA to CA Harter, Dept of Commerce, Washington DC inquiring if "Chief" has signed letter of commendation for George Repp.

Reply, Christian A. Harter, Assistant to Mr. Hoover, to Frank Page, 2 October, Letter signed by Chief and mailed to Oregon

Partial translation of article in Dakota Frie Presse, 24 October 1922. George Rupp defends work of food distribution in Volga region and says what Robert Reuss is writing is totally incorrect and 'ridiculous'. No food at the distribution sites was fed to pigs; no one was asked to pay for the food distributed and the only person in the Volga Valley not suffering from the famine are people like Robert Reuss.

Cross Reference Sheet for Georg Repp material, from Herbert Hoover Institute

Cablegram, 1 September 1922 from ARA/London office to ARA: 'have lost Repp, left Moscow July 24. No news since. Repeating efforts to find'

Cablegram, 2 September 1922, from ARA/London office to ARA, discusses Repp travel plans and commends him for 'extremely valuable sympathetic and intelligent service'

### **Collection 1; Series XX: Record Collection from Eduard Gerck**

#### **Subseries B: German Red Cross and German Aid, Box 88**

##### Box 14

Herbert Hoover Institut Copy Control Slip, Collection ARA RD, Box 88, Folder 10  
 Newspaper article, no date; critical of Germany not supporting Germans in Russia during famine period.

News clipping, no date with amount details of German Red Cross support to Kazan City and the Tartar Republic

Izvestia (translated article), no date, about work being performed by the ARA, International Workman's Relief and the German Red Cross. ARA fed 303,967 people in the Tartar Republic in March.

Kazan Report, no date, about German Red Cross work in Kazan and cantons of Spassk, Tetuishi and Menzelinsk



News clipping, no date, about German Red Cross distributing medical supplies

News clipping, 10 September 1921 from correspondent in Berlin, Medical expedition being formed to assist epidemic problems in Russia but Germany unable to provide much in the way of financial help or gifts of food or clothing because of the state of the German economy.

News clipping, 26 November 1921, German Red Cross expedition arrived in Kazan with 40 carloads of medical supplies.

News clipping, 7 December 1921, International Relief Committee (Germany) formed August 1921. Funds come from German labour, most of the contributors are Communists. First shipment of food supplies expected about 10 November.

Industrial Labour Information clipping, 6 January 1922, about German Red Cross hospital work in Kazan with epidemics spreading rapidly in Volga district

Latwijas Sargs (translated) clipping, Riga Latvia, 8 January 1922, about German Red Cross (GRC) distributing medical supplies and surgical instruments in Republic of Tartar

Union Internationales de Secours aux Enfants clipping (French, not translated) 20-28 February 1922; conditions are “indescribable”

News clipping, about GRC headquarters in Sevastopol receiving four tractors. Much publicity but the price of fuel makes use of tractors difficult to maintain.

Industrial Labour information clipping, 28 April 1922, “Refugees from the German Volga colonies who have stopped in White Russia will not, at present, be allowed into Germany. They must either find work in White Russia or return to the Volga region where the principal work of the GRC is concentrated.”

Industrial Labour information clipping, 28 April 1922, about gifts from Luxemburg Red Cross Society and collections by the Bishop of Luxemburg.

Letter (?) to Mr. S. Martindale (two pages) in London from ARA/Paris, 1 May 1922, requesting assistance from German Government to allow rail cars to leave Germany at the Lithuanian-German border.

Handwritten note, 1 May 1922, “Feeding 7000 persons”

Handwritten note, 28 July 1922, Central Committee Independent Social Democratic Party collecting money from workers to take care of Russian children.

News clipping, 3 August 1922, German Relief for Russia, about GRC, bankers, members of the Reichstag and University leaders forming to consider “affording relief to Russia”

News clipping, August 1922, GRC dealing mainly with epidemics. Feeding had to be discontinued due to shortage of supplies.

Russian Information and Review, 1 October 1922, GRC providing medical stores and staff

Petrograd, Morskaya 40, 17 October 1922, Director of GRC arrives in Moscow. Central Relief Commission of the All-Russian Executive Committee orders all Soviet organizations to give him the necessary information and carry out the orders and requirements of the GRC with as little formality as possible

News clipping, 26 October 1922, list of German food products dispatched to Russia

News clipping, 10 November 1922, part of Report to Hoover by Brooks: Central Committee of the Independent Social Democratic Party of Bohemia and Germany collecting cash and supplies

Letter from \_\_\_?\_\_\_ Deutsche Bosschaft to Mowatt M. Mitchell, ARA/London, 29 October 1923, thanking ARA for their work for the suffering population of Europe and see the ARA is now withdrawing.

**Collection 1; Series XX: Record Collection from Eduard Gerk**  
**Subseries C: Copies from Herbert Hoover Institute, ARA cablegrams and memorandum, 20 September 1921-31 July 1923**

Box 14, Folder 1: 20 September 1921-8 July 1922

Hoover Institution Copy Control Slip, Collection ARA RO, Box 388, Folder 5  
Cross Reference Card: RR Central States Volga Relief Society, Refer to Wekesser  
Cross Reference Card: RR Volga Relief Society, Refer to Appeals 1923

Cross Reference Card: RR Volga Relief Society, Refer to Appeals 1923, 12/19/1922  
Cross Reference Card: RR Volga Relief Society, Refer to Letter from H.P. Wekesser to C.F. Peavis

Cross Reference Card: RR Volga Relief Society, Refer to RR Lorenz, 7/5/1922  
Cross Reference Card: RR Volga Relief Society, Refer to Appeals 1923, 12/19/1922  
Cross Reference Card: RR Volga Relief Society, Refer to Mr. Brown's memo, Liquidation Procedure-Program & Policy, 1/13/1923

Cross Reference Card: RR Volga Relief Society, Refer to Clothing Dafts, 1/29/1923  
No dates:

- 13 July (1921?) Cablegram: CVRS wants to know if Soviet will charge duty on gifts of new and used clothing packages
- 14 July (1922?) Cablegram: VRS payment of Repp expenses
- 18 July (1923?) Cablegram: Repp leaving for States, good health
- 19 July (1923?) Cablegram: for J.F. Miller/Portland, Repp leaving 17 July for States
- 27 July (?) Cablegram: request to advance George Repp \$1,000
- 1 August (?) Cablegram: Repp has been advanced \$1,058.14
- 8 August (?) Cablegram describing new retirement guidelines for officers

Cablegram, 20 September 1921: Volga Relief Society has raised over \$100,000. ARA decides other organizations will not be allowed to send representatives to Russia unless they also raise at least \$100,000.

Cablegram, 21 September 1921: George Repp sailed on Kroonland. He will be entirely under Haskell for his relief work. Repp considered "good man."

Cablegram, 23 September 1921: Repp receives no salary or expense money from ARA.

Cablegram, 27 September 1921: discussing preferred ports for transport of materials due to weather conditions and availability of ice breakers.

Cablegram, 7 October 1921: VRS has provided \$45,000. Request confirmation of when feeding will begin.

Cablegram, 8 October 1921: second copy of 'request confirmation of when feeding will begin'

Cablegram, 13 October 1921: Repp to Samara and Saratov. Feeding will commence Saratov at once.

Cablegram, 13 October 1921: Repp left for Samara and Saratov 9 October

Cablegram, 18 October 1921: Fund to be used for Food Remittances for German colonies on Volga

Cablegram, 20 October 1921: Repp in Saratoff (sic) going to German colonies

Cablegram, 20 October 1921: continue discussion of preferred port to use for transport

Cablegram, 21 October 1921: Asking if seed grain from America would be useful and when it would have to be in Russia

Cablegram, 2 November 1921: message that 'need ten American Mennonite workers'  
 Miller replies must re-emphasize 'need ten American workers'

Cablegram, 4 November 1921: inform VRS actual delivery of supplies to German colonies has been made

Cablegram, 12 December 1921: clothing for Ukraine and Volga may be shipped through ARA via Moscow to Mr. Miller.

Cablegram, 9 January 1922: Repp reports feeding 15,685 children; within two weeks will have 30,000 in kitchens. "Suffering indescribable"

Cablegram – copy of 9 January 1922 cablegram of children being fed

Cablegram – probably original used for 9 January 1922 cablegram about feeding of children

Cablegram, 10 January 1922: VRS general funds are for adults as well as children. Repp reports seem to indicate only feeding children.

Cablegram – deferred copy of 10 January 1922 cablegram

Cablegram, 12 January 1922: \$500 to Repp of Eurelon Sales for Colony Popowkia, Jablanowka district, Rowensky province from George Fuchs, Fresno California

Cablegram, two pages, 14 January 1922: Concern in United States remains adults are not being fed even though funds were for everyone. VRS believes adults are not getting food. Sufficient food is not yet available to feed everyone. Emergency ARA funds being used to provide food to adults in order to keep them alive until the distribution problems can be corrected.

Cablegram, 16 January 1922: Five sailing 17 January on George Washington – Pate Harrington, Maitland, GF Beschorner, Luthgo, Jacob Wagner

Cablegram, 17 January 1922: assurances it is now understood VRS funds are to be used for adults as well as children and the policy has been changed.

Cablegram, 18 January 1922: Again, Repp funds to be used for adults and children. Need definite statement adults and German colonists are receiving food.

Cablegram, 18 January 1922: Repp operating under terms of Riga agreement for feeding children and sick. ARA will handle adults through corn program.

Cablegram, 20(?) January 1922: Adults now being fed in Golei Karamisch Wyszd

Cablegram, 24 January 1922: VRS funds to be used entirely for adult feeding program. Supplement from general Volga Society funds as needed. All previous child feeding programs to be charged to ARA.

Cablegram, 24 January 1922: Matter now understood and Repp has been informed. Repp made definite statement adults now being fed.

Cablegram, 24 January 1922: Information and Action copies to Brown, Mitchell and Sherman about change of VRS funds for adult feeding.

Cablegram 28 January 1922: Repp wires from Saratov adults being fed in Goloi Karamnisch Uyezd. Adult program expanding rapidly as possible.

Cablegram 1 February 1922: requesting clarification of revised program and association with other workers and relief groups.

Cablegram 23 February 1922: Repp sent wire to feed adults as well as children in German colonies and send definite statement when that occurs.

Cablegram, 4 March 1922: Haskell has received telegram from Repp he is feeding adults

Cablegram, 4 March 1922: to WL Brown – repeat of message Haskell has been informed by Repp that adults are being fed

Cablegram, 20 March 1922: Repp to S. Martindale, Jr. – all VRS funds will be used to feed adults. ARA takes care of child feeding.

Cablegram, 21 March 1922: asking for confirmation of Repp statement VRS has credit for \$100,000 additional sales

Cablegram, 21 March 1922: for JW Miller/Portland from Repp that all VRS funds will be used for adult feeding as soon as possible and ARA takes care of child feeding

Cablegram, 19 April 1922: from Brown to Rickard – unable to speed relief supplies to Volga colonies because are using all available Russian transport facilities and have all programmed to the limit. Using additional ports will not improve delivery before the harvest because internal junction points are the problem. Every practical avenue of supply is being utilized and all rolling stock and water transportation fully utilized

Memorandum (?) 27 April 1922: Frank C. Page to ARA/London-asking Repp to get Portland Committee to agree with how \$100,448 of VRS funds have been utilized because it appears a mistake was made in allocation of VRS general funds.

Memorandum (?) 2 May 1922: Mitchell/London ARA to New York ARA – difficult to segregate German colonists in Russia other than Saratov. Difficult to give them individual and specific attention. Safe to assume colonists, with general population, will be cared for in the Adult Corn Program

Cablegram, 22 June 1922: Moscow advises all Eurelcon deliveries for Volga relief will be completed this week

Memorandum, 6 July 1922, two pages: Frank C. Page to Mr. Galpin – very critical memo about Dr. Henry P. Wekessee of CSVRS, Lincoln Nebraska. Wekessee undermining work of Portland VRS group and pressing to send individual clothing drafts and packages to individuals in colonies, despite multiple replies from Page such can only be for colonies because ARA has repeatedly told the Mennonites, Jews and Lutherans the same thing. Rev. Wagner to be replaced by Volz who is also a Revivalist preacher so that problem remains a concern. If Volz will not work under the regular ARA provisions he will not be accepted. We expect a visit from Wekessee to apply pressure to the Chief (Secretary Hoover).

Memorandum, 7 July 1922: Page to Wm. C Mullendore - sends copy of memorandum about Wekessee to Mullendore for information.

Cablegram, 7 July 1922: VRS Wagner to return to States and be replaced by Volz. Many complaints about Wagner doing religious proselytizing. Also state again individual clothing packages are not to be delivered because Lutherans, Jews and Mennonites have previously asked and have been told that will not be supported.

Cablegram, 8 July 1922: from London – getting data from Moscow. Your assumption correct, we have refused any such deliveries

Cablegram, 8 July 1922: CVRS wants to know if Soviet will charge duty on gifts of new or used clothing packages for individuals although we have told them we will not aid that and they expect Volz to handle. We have told VRS Volz must go only for feeding or general relief only if under ARA are Wagner replacement. Ask if CVRS should be told to make own agreement with Soviet.

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**Subseries C: Copies from Herbert Hoover Institute, ARA cablegrams and memorandum, 20 September 1921-31 July 1923**  
Box 14, Folder 2: 12 July 1922-31 July 1923

Memorandum, 12 July 1922: Quinn to ARA/London – refers to 9 May letter (?) and Repp's attitude on allocation of VRS sales.

Cablegram, 13 July 1922: refers to 8 July cablegram and CVRS making separate agreement – advise hold off for now.

Memorandum, 13 July 1922: CVRS preparing to ship individual clothing packages through Quakers to Moscow. They hope for delivery assistance to Saratov but have been told we refuse our aid. Answer quickly as possible.

Memorandum, 15 July 1922: copy of invoice for numerous Eurelcon Sales, Quinn to ARA/London

Memorandum, 15 July 1922: copy of invoice for numerous Eurelcon Sales, Quinn to ARA/London

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Cablegram, 15 July 1922: advise Oregon Repp had slight illness several weeks ago but now OK

Cablegram, 18 July 1922: agree ARA to pay transportation New York to Russia and return. No large sum involved.

Memorandum, 19 July 1922: Perrin C. Galpin/ARA Secretary/New York to ARA London – sending copies of large amount of correspondence with Dr. Henry P. Wekesser of CSVRS about clothing they plan to send to Russia through the Friends Service Committee for distribution to individuals in the Saratov district. Passages about acceptance of Mr Jacob Volz by the ARA and statements that the CSVRS is trying to make it clear the ARA is not responsible in any way for this shipment. Moscow office must deal with this situation s they see best.

Cablegram, 20 July 1922: Moscow consulting government, will advise

Cablegram, 21 July 1922: Government advises all freight sent addressed foreign relief organizations to be distributed without payment is exempt from customs

Memorandum, 25 July 1922: WJ Wyers/London ARA to ARA New York – it appears Mr. Repp is satisfied with the manner in which distribution has occurred for the sales discussed in the April and June correspondence.

Memorandum 26 July 1922: WJ Wyers/London ARA to ARA New York – must adjust Eurelcon sale for \$15,500 in letter 696 of 13 December 1921 by adding \$10

Memorandum, 28 July 1922, two pages: details of allocation of a list of sales between the Lutheran representative and Mr. George, Repp of the VRS.

Memorandum, 31 July 1922: Quinn to ARA/London sending copy of letter covering the activities of Mr. Watner and all that can be learned about his intended departure.

Memorandum, 3 August 1922: informing Russian unit CVRS clothing shipment will be invoiced to ARA/Russian unit by steamer as Quaker clothing for VRS.

Memorandum, 5 August 1922: asking for clarification of converting Eurelcon sales for Lutheran and VRS representatives

Memorandum, 7 August 1922: JW Kreuger/ARA to ARA London – CVRS as represented by vice-president Stroh and Mr. Volz have agreed the used clothing being collected by CVRS for distribution to individuals in colonies will instead be hydraulically baled and shipped to Moscow where it will be distributed among the German colonists by Mr. Volz as needed and not addressed to individuals.. ARA will pay the ocean transport costs and other charges from New York to Russia.

Memorandum, 21 August 1922: letters of thanks for bulk sales sent to Russia. Letters to be sent to Rev. Paul Juelling, Treasurer VRS of Colorado District, Windsor Colorado

Cablegram, 23 August 1922: Request to reserve rooms for Jacob Volz and Rverend William Schedin of Luthco (Lutheran Council) who sail on President Adams today.

Draft letter, 2 September 1922: to Mr. FA Lorenz, Secretary CSVRS Lincoln Nebraska explaining ARA does not care to undertake developing a Clothing Draft

Plan for relief in the Volga Valley. Suggests Mr. Volz see the Soviet authorities and under your supervision arrange with them to inaugurate such a Clothing Draft Plan.

Cablegram, 15 September 1922: transmit to Dr. Wekesser Lincoln Nebraska “arrived safely, on way Saratov Volz”

Memorandum, 12 October 1922: Haskell to ARA/London – sending final statements of accounts for G.Repp, J.L. McElroy, H.F. Blandy and C.G. Bowden

Memorandum, 16 October 1922: Haskell to ARA/London – sending final statements of personnel leaving Russia today: Dr. OO Beck, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. HL Buckley, Mr. JG Jones, Mr. JW Foley, Mr. Wagner

Cablegram, 17 October 1922: Russian News Letter states Volz organizer of Volga Relief. Not true, organized by John Miller and George Repp of Portland Oregon

Cablegram, 17 October 1922: Following personnel relieved from ARA and leaving Russia today: Beck, Fitzgerald, Buckley, JG Jones, Foley, Wagner

Memorandum, 18 October 1922: Letters of Thanks submitted to be sent to several VRS chapters; David Klein, Heil SD; Mrs. JJ Kehler, Brush Colorado; Philipp Reifschneider, Lincoln Nebraska; Adam Pauey, Scottsbluff Nebraska; Georg Huck, Lincoln Nebraska; Peter Lanz, Park iey, Montana; Peter Georg, McCrackes Kansas; German Baptist Church, Marion Kansas

Memorandum, 18 October 1922: refers to telegram #436 (?) from New York. “do whatever you think necessary to see that no false impression as that mentioned is spread among the German colonists....”

Memorandum, 21 October 1922: courier package containing 10,000 hand needles and five pounds black thread in skeins being sent to Mr. Volz Monday

Cablegram, 24 October 1922: transmit to Dr. Wekesser, Orpheum Theatre, Lincoln Nebraska “clothing arrived, Volz”

Memorandum, 27 October 1922: Mr. Jacob Wagner has been released from our service in Russia and left on 16 October, Mitchell to ARA/New York

Cablegram, 27 October 1922: sailing tomorrow Mauretania, New York Friday. Paid for in cash by Mr. Vagner

Memorandum, 27 October 1922: sending statement of account for Mr. Jacob Wagner showing a credit of \$2336.32. Wagner sails for America tomorrow.

Memorandum – Confidential (two pages), 10 November 1922: John P. Gregg, District Supervisor to Director/Moscow – very critical of Jacob Wagner; details complaints of preaching (had been told not to), that he gave misleading and absolutely groundless reports when he complained about Mr. Repp, that he did not distribute supplies fairly or evenly, and that he attacked the morals of Mr. Beschorner (representative of the National Lutheran Council)

Confidential letter, 15 November 1922: Haskell/ARA Russia to ARA New York; forwarding confidential memorandum about Jacob Wagner from John Gregg

Cablegram, 22 November 1922: make available Volz VRS food \$2,000 this bulk sale

Cablegram, 29 January 1923: delivery by Volz of special clothing parcels to individuals is very embarrassing to ARA because of position taken with Mennonites, Lutherans and Jews. Request tell Volz to stop that distribution and confirm it is stopped. ARA/New York to ARA/London

Cablegram, 6 February 1923: your understanding wrong. Volz distributing clothing on basis of needs.

Memorandum, 29 March 1923: Quinn/ARA Russia to John P Gregg – sending copy of memorandum given by Mr. Scheduling today and would be grateful if you would send your reaction.

Cablegram 14 April 1923: credit provided not quite adequate to cover present indebtedness. Volz advises future credits to VRS account

Cablegram 20 April 1923: Received \$2,000 today for Volga Relief, ½ of Volz personal account balance for foodstuffs distributed, Volz discretion. Volz allowed \$200 monthly. If more needed will be provided for.

Cablegram, 19 May 1923: transmit to Volga Society “all clothing arrived today, Volz”

Cablegram, 31 May 1923: place disposal Volz \$1,000. This special gift to be used for relief, his discretion and covering his return expenses home.

Cablegram, 4 June 1923: place disposal Volz \$1,000 for equal distribution east and west sides Volga among German colonists. Charge VRS

Cablegram, 12 June 1923: Preliminary warning to Soviet government ARA will soon be withdrawing. Organizations remaining will be on their own after 30 June. Save Children Fund announced withdrawal 15 July. Hansen (?) will cease all but fraction of work 15 August.

Cablegram, 31 July 1923: Monday Volz Karl sailed Albania third

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Box 14, Folder 1: Assorted Correspondence, 21 September 1921-18 April 1924

Copy Control Slip, Hoover Institution, Collection Title ARA RO, Box 92, Folder 11

Cross Reference Sheet, Volga Relieve (Misc), see “NY to L-920-12-9-21”

Mailing list for Volga Relief Society (no date) page 1

Mailing list for Volga Relief Society (no date) page 2

Mailing list for Volga Relief Society (no date) page 3

Mailing list for Volga Relief Society (no date) page 4

Cablegram, ARA to London, 21 September 1921, Repp sailed on Kroonland as representative for VRS

George Repp/ARA agreement-terms of engagement, 30 September 1921, pages 1&2 of 3

George Repp/ARA agreement-terms of engagement, 30 September 1921, page 3 of 3

Cablegram, 1 October 1921, VRS has raised over \$100,000

Memorandum, 6 October 1921, Frank Page to Walter L. Brown/ARA Director in Europe, , explaining role of George Repp and association with Portland Volga Relief Society (two pages)

Memorandum, 28 October 1921, Page to Brown, informing Brown \$15,500 has been received from Central States Volga Relief Society for relief in the German colonies on the Volga per the attached list (not available in file)

Memorandum, 29 October 1921, Wm. H. Haskell to Brown, stating Repp instructed he would feed all children in any German Colony without respect to race, religion or politics (two pages)

Cablegram, 4 November 1921, Repp requests VRS be informed delivery of supplies to German communes has been made

Inter Office Correspondence, 9 November 1921, lists contributions and expenses for Volga Relief Societies of Portland, Chicago, Colorado, Nebraska: Total balance \$71,208

Memorandum, 16 November 1921, explains how money from Volga Relief Societies is to be handled and distributed for two kinds of relief – general relief and relief by localities. Portland funds are for group relief among the German Russians (and Repp trip abroad expense), Chicago funds are for Germans on the west side of the

Volga, and the \$15,500 Nebraska funds are to be distributed \$4890 for general fund and the balance to 36 specific villages as defined in the included list (two pages)

Inter Office Correspondence, 26 November 1921, Page to Lee about \$660 received from VRS for individual food remittances.

Memorandum, 30 December 1921, S. Martindale Jr/ARA London to ARA/New York. Reference letter 971. Unaware of any difficulty regarding use of VRS money

Letter, 16 January 1922, Page to Haskell, Letter of Introduction for Rev. Jacob Wagner including restatement VRS funds were to go to adults as well as children in the form of Eurelcon sales. (two pages)

Memorandum, 16 January 1922, Page to ARA/London, speaks of cooperation being given by the VRS and the considerable money they are providing

Cablegram, 3 February 1922, Repp advised VRS funds to be used only for adult feeding and child feeding will now be charged to ARA

Cablegram, 16 February 1922, ARA/Moscow to ARA Saratov, Repp instructed to cable Miller and tell him adults are now being fed by VRS funds and send another message to New York confirming Miller has been informed

Memorandum, 16 February 1922, Haskell to ARA/London, still waiting for cable report from Repp about adult feeding in German communes to re-assure Miller. "This whole matter seems to have come up over the impossibility of the German Volga Society to stick under the Riga Agreement under which they came into Russia."

Memorandum, (after 16 February 1922, Walter Lynn Brown, ARA/Director for Europe to Edgar Rickard, Director/New York, issue about feeding of adults has been resolved

Memorandum, (after 24 February 1922), quoting from letter written by Rev. Jacob Wagner/CSVRS from Balzer – dated 24 February 1922. Letter addresses six points for people in America to understand and abide by: the question of immigration, concerning the sending of money, the sending of packages, the sending of food supplies, the clothing question and how to designate your contribution. (pages one and two of three)

Page three of three of Rev. Wagner letter

Inter Office Correspondence, Page to Lee, 2 March 1922, asking for complete list of VRS Eurelcon sales

Handwritten note, Lee to Page, 31 March 1922, asking for return of summary of Volga Relief sales 'we made up last week'

List of Eurelcon sales made to VRS up to 28 February 1922 with amounts by societies, total \$161,029

List of Bulk sales made to VRS up to 28 February 1922 with amounts by societies, total \$2,270

Cablegram, 16 March 1922, Moscow to London, asking about additional \$100,000 amount credit for VRS – in addition to \$149,579 previously credited

Inter Office Correspondence, Page to Lee, 21 March 1922, again asking for complete report for VRS

Memorandum, 5 April 1922, Page to Herter/Department of Commerce/Washington DC, regarding Mr. Scheidt, editor of the California Post in Fresno, systematic and villainous attack on Mr. Miller and the VRS. Condition as we understand it has been explained to Scheidt and Miller but Scheidt attacks the VRS which hurts the cause of the German people in Fresno. Attacks seem to be plan to discredit Miller and Repp.



Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 13 May 1922 (in German), pages 1&2 of 4

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 13 May 1922 (in German), pages 3&4 of 4, last page includes short note from Irving C. Lee of ARA

Letter (?), Page to Mauser & Froh, Printers and Publishers, Eureka SD, 7 June 1922, refers to 'very interesting' cable (not available in this collection)

Confidential Memorandum, John P. Gregg to CJC Quinn, 22 July 1922, concerning complaint from Mr. Beschorner (Lutheran Council) about preaching by Rev. Wagner followed by a similar complaint from Soviet government. Wagner is 'useless to the ARA and we will be glad to see him leave' (two pages)

Memorandum, Fleming, 27 July 1922, describing origin and work of VRS

Memorandum, Quinn to ARA/London, 31 July 1922, concerning activities of Mr. Wagner

Inter Office Correspondence, Page to Rickard, 16 September 1922, discussing "...they expect to withdraw from Saratov entirely." and recommending a cable be sent to Brown and Haskell to investigate the conditions in the German colonies and take special cognizance of their needs

Memorandum, Rickard to Page, 16 September 1922, suggesting a letter be sent to Repp telling him the new plan does not include the city of Saratov but only largely in the urban districts (the British have been feeding in the city).Rickard hesitates to cable until Page gets some reflection from Repp.

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 3 October 1922 (in English and German) pages 1&2 of 8

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 3 October 1922 (in English and German) pages 3&4 of 8

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 3 October 1922 (in English and German) pages 5&6 of 8

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 3 October 1922 (in English and German) pages 7&8 of 8

Memorandum, EL Daley/Moscow/Executive Assistant to District Supervisor/ARA/Saratov, 9 October 1922, reference to confidential letter dated 4 October about 'representatives of VRS', Haskell directs: if Volz attempts to preach in the district notify us. Do not order him in without instructions from Moscow; Bulk Sales need not be on basis of need; Feeding of Eurelcon products must be on basis of need. Religion must not enter into this distribution.

Cover description of history of organization of VRS and introduction of presentation by George Repp of experiences and work of the ARA along the Volga in letter attached to this cover, 1 November 1922

George Repp letter, pages 1&2 of 4, dated 30 September 1922

George Repp letter, pages 3&4 of 4, dated 30 September 1922

Handwritten note on McCook Branch/VRS letter head, Conrad J. Scheideman/VRS McCook Branch to ARA, 11 November 1922, future ARA reports should be sent to new officers of American Volga Relief Society in Lincoln Nebraska and not sent to me

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 12 December 1922 (in German), pages 1&2 of 8

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 12 December 1922 (in German), pages 3&4 of 8

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 12 December 1922 (in German), pages 5&6 of 8

Report from Volga Relief Society, Portland Oregon, 12 December 1922 (in German), pages 7&8 of 8

Memorandum, CJG Quinn/ARA Acting Director in Russia to ARA/New York, 24 January 1923, concerning attack on George Repp in the California Post/Fresno about unfair distribution of aid to mountain side of Volga and lack of aid to meadow side. Article goes on to recommend aid be sent to German Red Cross and not to the VRS. Copy of letter from District Supervisor of Saratov District enclosed and statement from Mr Ellingston who is in charge of distribution in Saratov District referred to but not in this collection.

Letter from Wm. H Haskell, Director in Russia, subject "Extract from a letter of Rev. Hopp, written 28 January 1923" to Dr. Larsen, defends work of Mr. Volz as documented in several clippings from the "Welt Post"

Letter, John P. Gregg to Cyril JC Quinn/ARA Moscow, 3 April 1923, discussing Volz work to distribute clothing. Gregg believes Volz has done a pretty good job and has been fair but that he "talks too much." No complaints have been received from the government or peasants about him or his work. We have handled distribution of Luthco clothing better than their own man (Beschoner) did even though it is costing us money to do so. (two pages)

Memorandum, Edgar Rickard to Baker, 14 December 1923, commending VRS for magnificent work done to support ARA and provide assistance to the German colony relief effort

Letter, RH Sawtelle, Assistant Treasurer to Conrad J. Scheidemann, AVRS/McCook Nebraska, 18 April 1924, acknowledge letter of 12 April 1924 about Food Remittance forwarded to us by George Brantigam for delivery to Friedrich Brantigam in Russia. In order to trace this item we need the number of the receipt. Because the Food Remittance Department of the ARA is virtually liquidated, we need this information as soon as possible.

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Box 14, Folder 2: ARA file, correspondence with and about Dr. H. Wekesser and VRS

Cover note at beginning of file "Correspondence with Dr. Henry P. Wekesser.."

Memorandum, 19 July 1922, Perrin C. Galpin to ARA/London #787, note explaining the shipment of "large amount of correspondence with Dr. Henry P. Wekesser..." about the shipment of clothing CSVRS expects to send to Russia.

Letter, Wekesser to Frank C. Page/ARA, 15 May 1922, describing CSVRS plans for clothing shipments (two pages)

Memorandum, Page to CJ Schmidt, VRS/Lincoln, 19 May 1922, sending copy of cable #270 from Mr. Volz (cable not part of this group)

Letter, Page to Wekesser, 22 May 1922, explaining why ARA will not assist with establishing a clothing remittance program for the German colonies (two pages)

Letter, Wekesser to Page, 3 June 1922, discussing plans to replace Rev. Wagner and using help from the Quaker organization to get clothing to Moscow (two pages)

Letter, Page to Wekesser, 6 June 1922, agreement to plan to replace Wagner and again discussing why clothing remittance plan won't be implemented

Letter, Wekesser to Page, 15 June 1922, explaining CSVRS plans to ship clothing and how it will be transported plus identifying Jacob Volz as replacement for Wagner and explaining that Wekesser wishes to visit Russia (two pages)

Newspaper article (copy) from Omaha Nebraska Herald, 18 June 1922, "will ship clothing to Russian Sufferers", explaining clothing will be shipped and distributed

through the ARA and can be shipped directly to relatives in Russia (ARA has not agreed to this and has repeatedly said ARA would not be involved with distribution directly to individuals!)

Newspaper article from Omaha Nebraska Herald, 18 June 1922

Cablegram, ARA/New York to Wekesser, 28 June 1922, "Death from famine on the Volga is over." Does not mean need still does not exist. Jacob Volz accepted subject to general ARA rules

Letter, Page to Wekesser, 3 July 1922, ARA channels to get aid to German colonies may end after the harvest; Volz is acceptable if Wagner is leaving, explains a Wekesser trip is not encouraged or supported because "Soviet Government definitely does not want them (*visitors*)" and there is nothing Wekesser can do there

Telegram, ARA/New York to Wekesser, 6 July 1922, referring to Omaha Herald article (18 June 1922), again stating ARA cannot and will not aid in distribution of clothing to individuals in any way. Volz, as a working for ARA, is in Russian for feeding purposes only

Letter, Wekesser/CSVRS to Page, 6 July 1922, provides update to plans for clothing shipment and asks if Soviet Government will charge duty on new clothing

Letter, Wekesser to Page, 6 July 1922, explains the Omaha Herald article and another article in the Welt Post were published without CSVRS knowledge or consent

Letter, Wekesser to John Miller/Portland Oregon, 6 July 1922, discusses replacement of Wagner with Volz and explains how Portland group may send clothing with the CSVRS shipment with the aid of the Quakers, refers to attacks on Wekesser in the California Post and Wekesser response (two pages)

Letter, Wekesser to Rev. John Roth/Fresno California, 6 July 1922, discusses the attack in the California Post and states the statements of the writer are incorrect. CSVRS has two objects in view: 1) send relief to our friends and relatives through the safest channels possible and 2) put our people firmly under the American flag and attempt to keep them there

Letter, Wekesser to Hon. Herbert Hoover, Department of Commerce, 11 July 1922, describing clothing shipment to individuals in the Saratov district and asking if Hoover would (unofficially) request the Soviet Government to help us get the shipment to its destination

Letter, Wekesser to Page, 12 July 1922, details of preparing the more than 30,000 pounds of clothing for shipment (worth about \$50,000) and stating it is understood the ARA is not responsible in any way for the shipment

Letter, Perrin C. Galpin/ARA Secretary to Wekesser, 12 July 1922, again explaining ARA will not assist in any clothing shipments for individuals but does and will assist for the transportation of used clothing from many cooperating relief organization when the clothing is for general relief without distinction other than the relative need because of the present agreements with Soviet authorities. No new information about possible custom duties for shipments into that country but the ARA overseas office has been asked to inquire about the matter (two pages)

Letter, PC Galpin/ARA to Wekesser, 18 July 1922, Hoover referred Wekesser letter dated 11 July to this office, Hoover is extremely busy at this time and asked that the ARA/Moscow office be informed of the clothing shipment, no additional information about custom duties has been received

Cablegram, ARA/London to ARA/New York, 21 July 1922, government advises freight to be distributed among population without payment is exempt from customs

Letter, Galpin to Wekesser, 21 July 1922, ARA/Moscow querying Soviet government about duty on the gift clothing packages your organization is planning to ship

Letter, ARA to Wekesser, 22 July 1922, confirming Soviet government imposes no custom duties on freight shipped to foreign relief organizations for distribution to population without payment

Memorandum, JW Krueger/ARA to ARA/London, 7 August 1922, although CSVRS clothing packages are addressed to individuals Volz is to distribute them among the German colonists according to the greatest need – and CSVRS has agreed to this

Letter, JW Krueger/ARA to JJ Stroh, CSVRS Vice President, 7 August 1922, explaining how clothing shipment should be marked and addressed and again emphasizing that the distribution is to be don according to the greatest need among German colonists in the districts of Saratov and Samara (two pages)

Letter, JW Krueger to Mr. Cadwallader/American Friends Service Committee, 10 August 1922, concerning shipment of used clothing for Volga Relief

Letter, Wekesser to Edgar Rickard/ARA Director/New York, 12 August 1922, thanking ARA for shipment of clothing from New York to Saratov without charges

Small note in ARA file from ?? to Page, “are not these people trusted (or ‘twisted’)?”

Telegram, ARA to Wekesser, 12 August 1922, clothing will be sent only if it is for general distribution and not addressed for individuals, will categorically refuse to accept any clothing whatsoever which carries any individual addresses

Newspaper article signed by Wekesser, 12 August 1922 (in German)

Newspaper article signed by Wekesser, 14 August 1922 (in German)

Telegram, American Friends Service Committee to Col. JW Krueger, 14 August 1922, discussing preparation of clothing bales with straps

Minutes of the CSVRS Director Meeting, 14 August 1922, discussions included sending money for future clothing relief instead of bales of clothing (two pages)

Inter Office Correspondence, Mr. Doe to Mr. Brown, 14 August 1922, concerning poor packing of bales of clothing received and the problem must be corrected

Letter, JW Krueger/ARA to Cadwallader/American Friends Service Committee, 15 August 1922, discussing bales of clothing that must be restrapped because of the poor condition of the shipment

Minutes of the CSVRS Director Meeting, 21 August 1922, discussed the 64,000 pounds of clothing and merchandise forwarded for relief in the Volga villages. Read letters from Rev. Wagner with the following sentence: “carloads of clothing which you send will be of help butr we require whole trainloads full.” (two pages)

California Post article, 31 August 1922 (German)

California Post article, 31 August 1922 (English translation)

California Post article, 31 August 1922 (German – two pages)

California Post article, 31 August 1922, (English translation, two pages)

Cablegram, Volz for Wekesser, 3 October 1922, “collect clothing for general distribution”

Attacks of the California Post on the VRS answered by Wekesser, 9 November 1922 (two pages)

California Post article, 16 November 1922 (English translation), another attack on the VRS (two pages)

Letter, Wekesser to Page, 22 November 1922, asking about reductions for clothing remittances for general distribution

Letter, Page to Wekesser, 4 December 1922, ARA cannot make a reduction now for clothing remittances. Possibly can do that in the future if the program goes well but this is for general relief only and not for individual clothing packages.

Telegram, FA Lorenz/ Welt Post Editor to Page/ARA, 6 February 1923, asking how much time exists to send clothing in carload lots to Volz in Volga district (hand written note "last shipment must reach New York by 5 March")

Telegram, ARA to FA Lorenz/Welt Post, 7 February 1923, last clothing shipment must reach New York by 5 March

Letter, W. Gordon Brown/ARA to CJ Schmidt/AVRS, 9 February 1923, discussing two carloads of clothing shipped from Lincoln on 5 February and how to expedite the shipment

Letter, GJ Schmidt/AVRS to Page ARA, 9 February 1923, asking if another shipment can be made latter part of March

Telegram, ARA to CJ Schmidt, 13 February 1923, last possible shipment for clothing must be in New York 5 March

Telegram, JJ Stroh/AVRS Treasurer to Frank Page/ARA, 14 February 1923, John Rohrig in Chicago getting clothing together for shipment to New York. Rohrig in New York 20 March and hopes for honor to meet you at your office

Memorandum, RL Bland to Sawtelle, 21 February 1923, discussing \$7.11 payment for express charges on 15 bales of used clothing, delivered to Pier #65, North River for the SS Allaguash

Letter, W Gordon Brown/ARA to CJ Schmidt/AVRA, sending instructions for marking of baled clothing for express shipment

Letter, W Gordon Brown/ARA to Rev. Kleiber/AVRS/Chicago Illinois, 27 February 1923, 20 bales of clothing can be shipped to Moscow if arrived in New York prior to 15 March

Telegram, Brown to Kleiber, repeat of information about date for shipment of 20 bales of clothing to Moscow

Memorandum, Wright/ARA to Mr. Sawtelle, 2 March 1923, payment of \$1.72 for delivery charges of one bale of clothing from Lincoln Nebraska to SS Rockaway Park, Pier #22, Brooklyn

Memorandum, confirming telephone conversation about delivery of bale of clothing to Pier #22, Brooklyn, check for \$1.72 to be mailed

Letter, RC Wright/ARA to American Railway Express Company, 3 March, sending \$1.72 check as agreed to

Letter, RA Patterson/ARA to VRS, Windsor Colorado, 3 March 1923, sending \$1.72 invoice for delivery of one bale of clothng delivered to the SS Rockaway Park

Letter, RC Wright/ARA to American Railway Express Company, 5 March 1923, instructions to deliver 11 bales of clothing to Pier #22, Brooklyn for SS Rockaway Park

Letter, RC Wright/ARA to Mr. Martins/American Railway Express Company, 5 March 1923, deliver 60 bales of clothing to Pier #22, Brooklyn for SS Rockaway Park

Memorandum, W Gordon Brown/ARA to ARA/Moscow, 5 March 1923, sending bills of lading for cargo shipped on Allaguasm which sailed 28 February New York to Riga

Memorandum, W Gordon Brown/ARA to ARA/Moscow, 10 March 1923, sending bills of lading for cargo shipped on Rockaway Park which sailed 6 March New York to Riga

Letter, RC Wright/ARA to Mr. Martins/American Railway Express Company, 10 March 1923, deliver 5 bales of clothing to Pier #22, Brooklyn for SS Eastern Coast

Memorandum, W Gordon Brown/ARA to ARA/Moscow, 17 March 1923, sending bills of lading for cargo shipped on Eastern Coast which sailed 14 March New York to Riga (two pages)

Cablegram from Volz, 18 May 1923 “all clothing arrives”

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Box 14, Folder 3: ARA file, correspondence with Department of Commerce, 6 July 1922-17 July 1922

Note at beginning of file, “Correspondence with Washington (Dept. of Commerce)”  
Memorandum, Frank O. Page to Mr. Galpin, 6 July 1922, discussing Dr. Henry P.

Wekesser who “...has been as you know a continual source of trouble.” related to Wekesser organizing clothing shipments for individuals despite repeated notices ARA will have nothing to do with shipments to individuals (two pages)

Cablegram, ARA/NY to ARA/London, 7 July 1922, confirming London will not accept clothing shipments to individuals for CSVRS

Cablegram, ARA/London to ARA/NY, 8 July 1922, confirming London has refused all clothing deliveries to individuals

Letter, Henry P. Wekesser to Hon. Herbert Hoover – Department of Commerce, 11 July 1922, discussing planned shipment of clothing from Lincoln to Saratov Russia and asking for an unofficial request from Hoover to Soviet Government to help get the shipment to its destination

Letter, Perrin C. Galpin to Wekesser, 12 July 1922, stating ARA will not be responsible for or participate in clothing shipments to individuals for relief in the Volga region (two pages)

Letter, Perrin C. Galpin to William C. Mullendore – Office of the Secretary – Department of Commerce, 13 July 1922, submitting copy of letter sent to Wekesser (12 July) for reference in case Wekesser contacts Congressman Reavis or others in Washington

Letter, WC Mullendore to Perrin C. Galpin, 14 July 1922, discussing letter from Wekesser to Hoover dated 11 July

Letter, Kathryn S. Axtman – Office of the Secretary – Department of Commerce to Perrin C. Galpin/ARA, 17 July 1922, the Chief (*Hoover*) asked me to send you the 11 July letter from Wekesser to Hoover and wishes the New York office to reply to it, “...to the effect that they will advise our Moscow office to do what they can in the matter.”

Letter, Perrin C. Galpin/ARA to William C. Mullendore, 17 July 1922, “We certainly will be glad to know what answer the Chief makes.”, also sending copy of letter dated 12 July Wekesser to Page

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- Pamphlet – The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC): Public Information Division (page 1 of 3)
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Box 15, Folder 2: Correspondence with International Committee of the Red Cross, Comité International de la Croix-Rouge, and Russisches Rotes Kreuz

- Letter, Eduard Gerk to International Committee of the Red Cross, 8 October 1999, inquiring about archive material for the topic of famine along the Volga river area in Russia in the 1920s and 1930s
- Letter/Fabrizio Bensi – ICRC to Eduard Gerk, 29 October 1999, provided some copies of printed material (André Durand’s book and off print of *Review of the Red Cross* (next in this index) and Archives magazine (not in this collection)
- André Durand *History of the International Committee of the Red Cross* (sheet 1 of 9)

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 Pamphlet *New access rules open the archives of the International Committee of the Red Cross to historical research and to the general public*, 13 pages  
 Letter, Anouk Bellaud – ICRC to Eduard Gerck, 2 November 1999, discusses the  
 (about) 100 photographs owned by the ICRC concerning famine in Russia along  
 the Volga River in Ukraine in the 1920s. Paper prints are available on loan or sale  
 (French) Société Russe de la Croix-Rouge, Bulletin de la Croix-Russe on Suisse, 25  
 August 1921, Appel de la Société Russe de la Croix-Rouge (discusses terrible  
 calamity in the Volga region), 9 pages  
 (French) Société Russe de la Croix-Rouge, Bulletin de la Croix-Russe on Suisse, 12  
 September 1921, Le secours de Pétranger aux affamés du Volga, 8 pages  
 (French) Société Russe de la Croix-Rouge, Bulletin, 22 January 1922, 6 pages  
 (French) Société Russe de la Croix-Rouge, Bulletin de la Croix-Russe, 1 December  
 1922, Le Secours médical aux affamees de la région du Volga, 7 pages  
 (French) Société Russe de la Croix-Rouge, Bulletin Officiel (Edition Mensuelle), 28  
 December 1922, 4 pages  
 (German) Russisches Rotes Kreuz Bulletin, 10 December 1922, Die russische  
 Hungersnot und ihre Folgen vom dedizinischen und sanitären Standpunkte, page  
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 (German) Russisches Rotes Kreuz Bulletin, 10 December 1922, Die russische  
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 Hungersnot und ihre Folgen vom dedizinischen und sanitären Standpunkte, page  
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 (German) Russisches Rotes Kreuz Bulletin, 10 December 1922, Die russische  
 Hungersnot und ihre Folgen vom dedizinischen und sanitären Standpunkte, page  
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 (German) Russisches Rotes Kreuz Bulletin, 10 December 1922, Die russische  
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 (German) Russisches Rotes Kreuz Bulletin, 10 December 1922, Die russische  
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Box 15, Folder 3: Correspondence with Deutches Rootes Kreuz

Letter, Dr. Elke Strang-Deutches Rotes Kreuz to Eduard Gerk, 24 June 1996,  
(German) , refers to six additional Société Russe de la Croix-Rouge Bulletins  
ERKA Berlin 1921, Die Hilssakation des Deutschen Roten Kreuzes für Russland  
(pages 1&2 of 4)  
ERKA Berlin 1921, Die Hilssakation des Deutschen Roten Kreuzes für Russland  
(pages 3&4 of 4)  
Amtliches Rachrichtenblat vom Roten Kreuz, (German) 1 November 1921, 2 pages  
Amtliches Rachrichtenblat vom Roten Kreuz, (German) 1 February 1922, 2 pages  
Amtliches Rachrichtenblat vom Roten Kreuz, (German) April 1922, 2 pages  
Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1923-31 March 1924, 2  
pages  
Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1924-31 March 1925, 2  
pages  
Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1926-31 March 1927, 2  
pages  
Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
page 1 of 9  
Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
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Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
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Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
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Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
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Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
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Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
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Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
page 8 of 9  
Jahresbericht des Deutchen Roten Kreuzes, (German) 1 April 1929-31 March 1930,  
page 9 of 9  
Letter, Sachse-Deutches Rotes Kreuz to Eduard Gerk, 9 February 2000, (German)  
with additional references

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Box 15, Folder 4: Correspondence with Lutheran Relief

Letter, Eduard Gerk to Dr. Walter Jensen/The Lutheran Center, 1 August 1996,  
inquiring about inventory of records for National Lutheran Council work in the  
famine alone the Volga River in Russia during the 1920s  
Letter, Walter Jensen to Eduard Gerk, 6 August 1996, refers Gerk to the Archives of  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)

Letter, Eduard Gerk to Archives-ELCA, 1 August 1996, inquiring about material and inventory of National Lutheran Council work in the famine along the Volga River in Russia during the 1920s

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 1 of 15

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 2&3 of 15

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 4&5 of 15

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 6&7 of 15

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 8&9 of 15

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 10&11 of 15

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 12&13 of 15

Letter, Kimberly Jacobsen Butler/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 20 September 1996, sends a description of materials in the early part of the collection 1918-1922 that describe the famine in Russia, page 14&5 of 15

e-mail message, Virginia Less to Eduard Gerk, 29 July 1996, discusses material found in ELCA archives in Chicago

e-mail message, Sherrie Stahl to Eduard Gerk, 30 July 1996, recommends Lutheran archive in Chicago, use web crawler and search for Lutheran Archives

e-mail message, David F. Schmidt to Eduard Gerk, 31 July 1996, describes material he found in the ELCA archives, a list of the materials he found was sent to AHSGR headquarters

e-mail message, Terri Speirs to Eduard Gerk, 1 August 1996, provides name and address information for contacts at Lutheran Film Associates and the ELCA Archives

e-mail message, Kimberly Jacobsen Buller/Assistant Archivist/ELCA to Eduard Gerk, 7 February 1997, discusses the three different collections in the archives – of these the files of the National Lutheran Council Executive Secretaries are the most helpful: they begin in 1921 and include news clippings, reports, telegrams and correspondence (two pages)

Introduction to the ELCA Archives, content and Reference Services (two pages)

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Subseries E: Correspondence with International Red Cross agencies

Box 15, Folder 5: Correspondence with Quaker Relief

- Letter, Eduard Gerk to Library of the Religious Society of Friends/Friends House/London England, 6 June 1996, inquiring about material the archives might have about relief work done by their organization in the 1920s during the famine in the Saratov region of the Volga River in Russia
- Letter, Josef Keit/deputy Librarian/Friends House, 14 June 1996, explains they do not copy archive material, copies of some indexes can be provided (for a fee), have a microfilm of papers held in private hands of a doctor (not a Friend) who worked for the committee, also includes a list of reference libraries where research can be performed, page 1 of 5
- Letter, Josef Keit/deputy Librarian/Friends House, 14 June 1996, explains they do not copy archive material, copies of some indexes can be provided (for a fee), have a microfilm of papers held in private hands of a doctor (not a Friend) who worked for the committee, also includes a list of reference libraries where research can be performed, page 2&3 of 5
- Letter, Josef Keit/deputy Librarian/Friends House, 14 June 1996, explains they do not copy archive material, copies of some indexes can be provided (for a fee), have a microfilm of papers held in private hands of a doctor (not a Friend) who worked for the committee, also includes a list of reference libraries where research can be performed, page 4&5 of 5
- e-mail message, Alan Crosman to Eduard Gerk, 6 June 1996, recommends American Friends Service Committee archive in Philadelphia and the Friends Historical Library at Swarthmore College
- Quaker-Roots Discussion Group of RootsWeb descriptive material, two pages

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Box 15, Folder 6: Correspondence with Canada Aid and Contact sheet for Argentine Red Cross

- Letter, Ghislain Malette/Reference Officer/National Archives of Canada to Eduard Gerk, 30 September 1996, no HJ Mackie papers in the archive, sending a group of related material and mentions a microfilm available for inter-library loan
- Materials sent with Malette letter: Canadian Directory of Parliament, page 1 of 2
- Materials sent with Malette letter: Canadian Directory of Parliament, page 2 of 2
- Materials sent with Malette letter: listing of materials associated with Mackie, Russia and famine in Russia, page 1 of 5
- Materials sent with Malette letter: listing of materials associated with Mackie, Russia and famine in Russia, page 2 of 5
- Materials sent with Malette letter: listing of materials associated with Mackie, Russia and famine in Russia, page 3 of 5
- Materials sent with Malette letter: listing of materials associated with Mackie, Russia and famine in Russia, page 4 of 5
- Materials sent with Malette letter: listing of materials associated with Mackie, Russia and famine in Russia, page 5 of 5
- Materials sent with Malette letter: MG 30 E428 for Joseph Whiteside Boyle
- Materials sent with Malette letter: MG 30 E44 for Loring Cheney Christie

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note unknown to Edward Grigg, 12 January 1922, page 1 of 3

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note unknown to Edward Grigg, 12 January 1922, page 2 of 3

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note unknown to Edward Grigg, 12 January 1922, page 3 of 3

Materials sent with Malette letter: search results for keyword Mackie

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 1 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 2 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 3 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 4 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 5 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 6 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 7 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 8 of 9

Materials sent with Malette letter: handwritten note on House of Commons letterhead, Hughes to Major Lecusox, 27 February 1901, discusses role of Captain Mackie in Warren's Scouts, page 9 of 9

Contact information sheet for Argentina: Argentine Red Cross, 17 June 1996

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**Subseries E: Correspondence with International Red Cross agencies**  
Box 15, Folder 7: Reference Materials German-Catholic Aid

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1923, pages 1&2 of 3

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1925, page 3 of 3

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1925, two pages

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1926, page 1&2 of 3

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1926, page 3 of 3

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1927, two pages

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1928, page 1&2 of 3

Kirchliches Handbuch fur das Catholische Deutschland, 1928, page 3 of 3

Das Deutschtum im Ausland, 1900-1923, page 1&2 of 12

Das Deutschtum im Ausland, 1900-1923, page 3&4 of 12

Das Deutschtum im Ausland, 1900-1923, page 5&6 of 12

Das Deutschtum im Ausland, 1900-1923, page 7&8 of 12  
Das Deutschtum im Ausland, 1900-1923, page 9&10 of 12  
Das Deutschtum im Ausland, 1900-1923, page 11&12 of 12  
Auslanddeutsche Quellenkunde von Dr. Richard Mai, 1924-1933, page 1&2 of 3  
Auslanddeutsche Quellenkunde von Dr. Richard Mai, 1924-1933, page 3 of 3  
Handbuch der deutscheprachigen Zeitungen im Ausland von Dr. Walther Heide, 1940,  
pages 1&2 of 9  
Handbuch der deutscheprachigen Zeitungen im Ausland von Dr. Walther Heide, 1940,  
pages 3&4 of 9  
Handbuch der deutscheprachigen Zeitungen im Ausland von Dr. Walther Heide, 1940,  
pages 5&6 of 9  
Handbuch der deutscheprachigen Zeitungen im Ausland von Dr. Walther Heide, 1940,  
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Handbuch der deutscheprachigen Zeitungen im Ausland von Dr. Walther Heide, 1940,  
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Box 15, Folder 8: Correspondence with Red Cross Aid

Contact sheet – The Canadian Red Cross Society, 1996  
Contact sheet – The Russian Red Cross Society, 1996  
Contact sheet – Federal Republic of Germany, German Red Cross Society, 1996  
Letter, Horney/Deutsches Rotes Kreuz/Dresden to Eduard Gerck (German), 16  
January 1986, two pages  
Letter, Fernandez/Deutsches Rotes Kreuz/Hamburg to Eduard Gerck (German), 17  
January 1990  
Letter, M. Ampferl/Deutsches Rotes Kreuz/München to Eduard Gerck (German), 21  
February 1992, two pages  
Letter, Eduard Gerck to Universitätsbibliothek Tübingen, 3 June 1996, asking how to  
obtain a photocopy of a publication called “Heimkehr” (1191.4) for November  
1920-1923  
Letter, Eduard Gerck to Deutsches Rotes Kreuz/Bonn, 3 June 1996, inquiring if any  
material is in archives regarding the famine along the Volga River in Russia  
during the 1920s including letters from that period and also from the 1930s, the  
work was assisted by a group called “Vereins der Wolgadeutschen” based in  
Berlin  
e-mail message, JoAnn Kuhr/AHSGR to Eduard Gerck, 3 June 1996, suggesting the  
German Red Cross/Munich for an inquiry about Stienen  
letter, Eduard Gerck to Argentine Red Cross/Buenos Aires, 28 November 2000,

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**Subseries E: Correspondence with International Red Cross agencies**  
Box 15, Folder 9: Correspondence with Verein der Wolgadeutschen

Letter, Jurgen Sprau/Landesrchiv Berlin to Eduard Gerk, (German) 26 June 1996,  
reply to earlier Gerk letter with information about records that are available  
Wolgadeutsche Monatscheste, August 1923 (German), pages 1&2 of 3  
Wolgadeutsche Monatscheste, August 1923 (German), page 3 of 3  
Letter, Eduard Gerk to Landesrchiv Berlin, 1 August 1996, asking for clarification  
about the kinds of material in the archive including any photographs of the  
villages in Russia

**Collection 1; Series XX: Record Collection from Eduard Gerk**  
**Subseries F: Correspondence with Hoover Institute about Volga Famine**  
Box 15

Letter, Keith A. Jantzen/Hoover Institution to Edward Roy Gerk, 25 August 1982,  
response to request for information about colonies Josefstal, Marienfeld and  
Semenovka during the 1921 famine; sending photocopies of relevant entries in the  
register; suggest use of local research assistant (program description included)  
two pages  
Letter, Keith A. Jantzen to Edward Gerk, 23 September 1982, sending photocopies of  
appendices to ARA Russian Operations as requested; recommends new local  
research assistant; Guide to the Hoover Institution Archives can be purchased for  
\$50, brochure included  
Guide to the Hoover Institution Archives brochure, two pages  
Letter, Joseph D. Dwyer/Deputy Curator/Soviet & East European Collection to  
Edward Gerk, 16 July 1984, thanking Gerk for copy of report on village Josefstal  
on the Volga and it is now in archive collection; Gerk letter passed to the  
Institution Archives for ARA record collection  
Letter, Carol A. Leadenham/Archival Specialist to Edward Gerk, 23 July 1984,  
complimentary copies of register that mentions Saratov and Tsaritsin districts, no  
reference to Kamyschin area found; box 10 contains information on the 1921  
famine (by districts), and boxes 39 and 40 have information on food remittance  
deliveries (by district); can purchase entire ARA Russian Operation Register;  
another copy of research assistant program provided  
Letter, Ronald M. Bulatoff/Archival Specialist to Edward Gerk, 18 July 1985, no  
documentation on villages Josefstal or Skripalovo found; copy of entire ARA  
Russian Operations register would cost \$13.04  
Letter, Ronald M. Bulatoff to Edward Gerk, 19 September 1985, sending sample  
copies of letters in the ARA Russian Operation files; another copy of research  
assistant program provided  
Sample ARA letter #56 sent by Bulatoff, 11 December 1921, request for battery and  
lights for car used in the field (amusing comment about traffic and pedestrians in  
Moscow)  
Sample ARA letter #99 sent by Bulatoff, 12 December 1921, requesting authorization  
to obtain clothing suitable for the cold weather, now borrowing items from local  
sources  
Sample ARA letter #118, 25 December 1921, detailing problems of shortages (thefts)  
of materials shipped on the rail system

Sample ARA letter #123, 31 December 1921, Monthly Medical and Sanitary Report, pages 1&2 of 4

Sample ARA letter #123, 31 December 1921, Monthly Medical and Sanitary Report, pages 3&4 of 4

Letter, Ronald M. Buatoff to Edward Gerk, 30 October 1985, sending sample photocopies of photographs from ARA Russian Operations files depicting scenes in the Saratov Province (*photos are from in and around Saratov*), price list included in letter (two pages)

Sample photographs, page 1 of 6

Sample photographs, page 2 of 6

Sample photographs, page 3 of 6

Sample photographs, page 4 of 6

Sample photographs, page 5 of 6

Sample photographs, page 6 of 6

Letter, Agnes F. Peterson/Curator/Central and Western European Collections to Edward Gerk, 16 January 1986, sending list of German language newspapers in the archive, also including guide to the Ernst Reuter papers in archive; refers to Arthur Flegel as a very active researcher in the archive

Catalog information for Saratov newspaper and Ernst Reuter papers

Copy of card catalog entries (page 1 of 2)

Copy of card catalog entries (page 2 of 2)

Index to microfilm papers of Ernst Reuter, two pages

e-mail message, Carol A. Leadenham/Hoover Institution Archives to Edward Gerk, 9 April 1996, provides prices for copies of pages from ARA files (132 pages for \$18.14)

e-mail message, Carol Leadenham to Edward Gerk, 9 April 1996, discusses microfilming of the ARA Russian Unit

e-mail message, Carol Leadenham to Edward Gerk, 15 April 1996, ARA Russian Unit microfilming has not started, normal charge/reel is \$45 plus postage

Web page printouts of portion of Hoover Institution catalog, 29 May 1996, 1 of 3

Web page printouts of portion of Hoover Institution catalog, 29 May 1996, 2 of 3

Web page printouts of portion of Hoover Institution catalog, 29 May 1996, 3 of 3

e-mail message, Edward Gerk to Ronald Bulatoff, 8 July 1996, ordering 100 pages and asks about size of files in three additional boxes

e-mail message, Ronald Bulatoff to Edward Gerk, 8 July 1996, describes amount of material in the three boxes asked about; these records will exceed the yearly allowed copy limit but an exception to the copy limit can be requested and that form will be sent.

e-mail message, Ronald Bulatoff to Edward Gerk, 9 July 1996, exception form has been sent; the 100 page limit/year is for the academic year September 1995 to August 1996

Letter, Ronald M. Bulatoff to Edward Gerk, 16 July 1996, sending payment receipt and copies of material ordered; not able to find any reference to Heimkehrlager in the European or Russian Operations of the ARA records

e-mail message, Ronald Bulatoff to Edward Gerk, 2 August 1996, asking for confirmation the 16 July letter and copies of material previously ordered were received

e-mail message, Ronald Bulatoff to Edward Gerk, cost for the 170 pages in folders 6-10 of Box 109 of the ARA Russian Operations would be \$55.10 but authorization for the copy limit exception must be obtained first; sends thank you for information on records of the Lutheran Council (two pages)

Order list for Box number, Folder number and title of contents  
Envelope from Hoover Institution Archives, post marked 9 August 1996  
Request for Permission to Order Extra Photocopies  
Web page printout of Save the Children Home Page and associated material (page 1&2 of 8)  
Web page printout of Save the Children Home Page and associated material (page 3&4 of 8)  
Web page printout of Save the Children Home Page and associated material (page 5&6 of 8)  
Web page printout of Save the Children Home Page and associated material (page 7&8 of 8)

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**Subseries G: Additional Records from ARA Russian Operations (RO) Files of Hoover Institution Archive**

Box 15, Folder 1:

Copy Control Slip, Collection title: ARA RO, Box number 388, Folder ID 4  
Letter, 59, 13 September 1921, Monwatt M. Mitchell, ARA/European Children's Fund to ARA/Russian Unit: sending copies of letters of engagement for Messers. Goodrich, Dodge and Repp leaving London today to join you  
Cablegram, 20 September 1921, Frank Page/ARA to ARA/London: George Repp sailed on Kroonland as VRS representative with understanding he is entirely under Haskell. Believe him to be a good man  
Cablegram, 121, 1 October 1921, ARA/New York to ARA/London: VRS has raised over \$100,000. Other organizations wanting to work in Russia will be asked to contribute \$100,000 – do you approve?  
Cablegram, 110 with reference to 1211, page 1 of 3, 3 October 1921, ARA to WL Brown: expresses concern of \$100,000 contribution requirement, discusses options of working with Quakers, Mennonites and Lutherans without violating existing agreements  
Cablegram, 110 with reference to 1211, page 2 of 3, 3 October 1921, ARA to WL Brown: expresses concern of \$100,000 contribution requirement, discusses options of working with Quakers, Mennonites and Lutherans without violating existing agreements  
Cablegram, 110 with reference to 1211, page 3 of 3, 3 October 1921, ARA to WL Brown: expresses concern of \$100,000 contribution requirement, discusses options of working with Quakers, Mennonites and Lutherans without violating existing agreements  
Letter, 539, 6 October 1921, Frank C Page/Assistant Secretary to Walter K Brown/Director/ARA/London: discussing agreement with VRS (John W. Miller, President), have received utmost cooperation from the Volga society, they are 'substantial people' and we anticipate no trouble of any kind, whether we received the money from VRS or not we should be feeding the children in the German colonies on the Volga  
Cablegram, 151, 7 October 1921, F Page/ARA to ARA/London: VRS has given \$45,000. Have Repp acknowledge this information immediately. Necessary we keep these people informed  
Cablegram, 151, 8 October 1921, ARA to ARA/London: VRS has given \$45,000. Have Repp acknowledge this information immediately. Necessary we keep these



people informed (duplicate of 151 above but with handwritten note referencing letters 59, 559 and cablegram 94)

Telegram, black 94, ARA to Mrs. Lutyene/ARA: repeat of information in cablegram 151

Cablegram, black 139, 17 October 1921, Childfund to ARA/London: request to transmit message to JW Miller "Leave today Samara Saratov October 14 food there perfect health Repp"

Letter, 103, 18 October 1921, Walter Lyman Brown/ARA/Director for Europe to Colonel William N. Haskell/ARA/Russian Unit/Moscow: sending copy of New York to London letter 539, contents self-explanatory, so you understand agreement with VRS and your relations with Repp

Cablegram, black 161, 18 October 1921, Moscow to London: inform New York that Repp advised VRS has given \$45,000. Repp acknowledges funds and requests VRS be informed "...now in Saratov preceeding Erman Colonies."

Cablegram, 192, 19 October 1921, New York to London: our 151 this fund to be used for food remittance for German colonies on Volga

Cablegram, 211, 20 October 1921, London to Page/New York: acknowledge 151 that Repp advised and asked VRS be informed now in Saratoff proceeding German colonies

Cablegram, 211, 20 October 1921, Mitchell/London to Page/New York: acknowledge 151 that Repp advised and asked VRS be informed now in Saratoff proceeding German colonies

Letter, 663, 28 October 1921, Frank C Page/ARA to WL Brown/ARA/London: \$15,500 received from CSVRS. \$4,890 to be put into general Volga Relief Fund and balance distributed among German Americans on the Volga as per attached list. Haskell asked to acknowledge this and Repp asked to obtain acknowledges from each village as relief is given to them

Hand written note – "letter, Moscow to London No. 83, 29 October 1921"

Letter, 83, Haskell/ARA/Moscow to Brown/ARA/Director/London, page 1 of 2: clarifies instruction to Repp that he would feed all children in any German Colony without respect to race, creed or politics.

Letter, 83, Haskell/ARA/Moscow to Brown/ARA/Director/London, page 2 of 2: clarifies instruction to Repp that he would feed all children in any German Colony without respect to race, creed or politics.

Cablegram, 317, 4 November 1921, from Repp/Saratov: actual delivery supplies to German communes has ben made. Approximate 15,000 rations for six weeks left Saratov yesterday, to be delivered Shilring and 10,000 for six weeks to be delivered Beune

Cablegram, 4 November 1921, ARA to ARA/London: relay of information in 4 November Repp message

Cablegram, 200, 9 November 1921, Eva Lutyers/ARA/London to ARA European children's Fund/Russian Unit, Attention Col. Haskell: New York informed us of \$15,500 received from the CSVRS. \$4890 of this money is for the general Volga Relief Fund and balance to be distributed among German-Americans on the Volga as per attached list. New York asks Mr. Repp to obtain proper acknowledgments from each of these towns as relief is given to them.

Letter, 229, 15 November 1921, Walter Lyman Brown/Director for Europe/ARA to Col. Wm. N. Haskell/ARA/Russian Unit, subject-German Colonists in the Volga: Your letter arrived without the copy of Hutchinson's letter giving report of conditions in those colonies. Believe VRS going after big money in America and they need all the information they can get to help. Kinne report is an excellent

example of what we want. We need everything possible of this kind as rapidly as you can push it through.

Cablegram, black 288, 1 December 1921, ARA to MM Mitchell/Childfund/Warsaw: want cabled and written report from Repp

Letter, 9 December 1921, Frank Page/ARA to W. Lyman Brown/ARA/Russian Unit: sending copies of financial statement of the VRS, total \$88,24.84, as of 1 December, page 1 of 3)

Letter, 9 December 1921, Frank Page/ARA to W. Lyman Brown/ARA/Russian Unit: sending copies of financial statement of the VRS, total \$88,24.84, as of 1 December, page 2 of 3)

Letter, 9 December 1921, Frank Page/ARA to W. Lyman Brown/ARA/Russian Unit: sending copies of financial statement of the VRS, total \$88,24.84, as of 1 December, page 3 of 3)

Letter, 920, 9 December 1921, Frank Page/ARA to W. Lyman Brown/ARA/Russian Unit: sending copies of financial statement of the VRS, as of 1 December

Letter, 971, 15 December 1921, Frank Page/ARA to WL Brown/ARA/Director/London:

Cablegram, black 439, 17 December 1921, Childfund to ARA/London: reference your 288 – have wired Repp as directed

Cablegram, 26 December 1921, from Miller for Repp-“cable detail regardless expense progress work both sides river no word since last October people clamoring information sent ARA over 100,000 are you now feeding adults on this many food drafts send wife well greetings”

Cablegram, black 437, 27 December 1921, ARA to Eva Lutyens: for Repp from Miller-“cable detail regardless expense progress work both sides river no word since last October people clamoring information sent ARA over 100,000 are you now feeding adults on this many food drafts send wife well greetings”

Cablegram, 459, 30 December 1921, S. Martindale Jr. ARA/London to ARA/Russian Unit: letter 971 from New York states there is some question regarding use of VRS money. All money is to be used as “Eurelcon” Food Remittance rather than just child feeding work and so it is possible for him to take care of adults as well as children. – we are unaware of any difference between yourselves and Mr. Repp and presume this matter has long since been agreed. Please advise us if our presumption is incorrect

Letter, 1 January 1922, John W. Miller to VRS: financial report of VRS (page 1 of 3)

Letter, 1 January 1922, John W. Miller to VRS: financial report of VRS (page 2 of 3)

Letter, 1 January 1922, John W. Miller to VRS: financial report of VRS (page 3 of 3)

Letter, 576, 5 January 1922,, Eva Lutyens/ARA to ARA/Russian Unit and Children’s Fund: sending copy of VRS financial report

Cablegram, black 619, 7 January 1922, Childfund to ARA/London: transmit to VRS “Actually feeding 15,685 children. Within two weeks will have 30,000 eating in kitchens. Everything satisfactory. Push food draft system hard. Every food draft means life. Suffering indescribable. Repp”

Cablegram, 618, 7 January 1922, Murphy/Moscow to Baker/London: Bimblisk on 31 December feeding 170,972. Repp wires for his committee –“Actually feeding 15,685 children. Within two weeks will have 30,000 eating in kitchens. Everything satisfactory. Push food draft system hard. Every food draft means life. Suffering indescribable.”

Cablegram, 838, 9 January 1922, ARA to ARA/New York: note and transmit to Miller/Portland “Actually feeding 15,685 children. Within two weeks will have

30,000 eating in kitchens. Everything satisfactory. Push food draft system hard. Every food draft means life. Suffering indescribable. Repp “

Cablegram, 639, 10 January 1922, ARA/New York to ARA/London: VRS General Funds for adults as well as children. From Repp’s reports seems he only feeding children. Volga people here worried adults not receiving assistance

Cablegram, 551, 11 January 1922, ARA to Eva Lutyens: VRS general funds adults as well as children from Repp reports seems he only feeding children. Volga people worried adults not receiving assistance.

Cablegram, 629, 11 January 1922: VRS general funds adults as well as children from Repp reports seems he only feeding children. Volga people worried adults not receiving assistance

Cablegram, 571, 13 January 1922, ARA to S Martindale Jr./ARA: deliver Repp \$500 Eurelcon Sale. \$120 for colony Popowkins Jablanowka District Rowensky Province from George Fuchs Fresno California

Cablegram, 656, 13 January 1922, ARA to ARA/London: deliver Repp \$500 Eurelcon Sale. \$120 for colony Popowkins Jablanowka District Rowensky Province from George Fuchs Fresno California

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Telegram, 943, 17 January 1922, Rickard from Brown: your 673 – see your letter 539 of 6 October stating “...that this fund will be used for food and clothing for children...”. Passed to Haskell who advised 29 October he and Repp understanding the same and was “...feeding of all children in Volga German colonies...” Your telegram 192 did not mention adults. Subsequent information from you has made clear meant for adults as well as children – that transmitted to

Russia and believe now in effect. These policy changes take time and takes longer still their reflection back to America through private channels. Moscow asked to procure necessary assurances for Miller.

Letter, 171, 16 January 1922, Page/ARA to ARA/London: sending statement VRS has sent to all their branches. Since being sent, considerable money has been received. Perhaps Russia will be interested in seeing it

Letter, 174, 16 January 1922, Frank Page/ARA to W. Lyman Brown/Director/ARA/London: letter of introduction for Rev. Jacob Volz (Volz has copy) and also explains payment of salary and expenses

Telegram, black 598, 17 January 1922, ARA to WL Brown/Childfund/Warsaw: discussion of concern in VRS adults not being fed. Believe adults already being fed using Eurelcon sales. Please get us definite statement from Repp for Miller

Cablegram, black 686, 17 January 1922, Childfund to ARA/London: your 551 our understanding concurred in by Repp that he operate under terms Riga agreement feeding children and sick. WE can handle adults now through corn program. If you agree will advise Repp accordingly

Letter, 179, 17 January 1922, HH Saawtelle/Assistant Treasurer/ARA/New York to ARA/London: previously informed you Messrs. Maitland, Beschorner and Wagner sailed on the SS George Washington 17 January. JI Maitland is an ARA administration man and is to go on your payroll at salary of \$200 per month plus subsistence allowance. GP Beschorner will associate himself with Mr. Morehead of National Lutheran Council and he is paying all of his expense. Same applies to Jacob Wagner who will join Mr. Repp as VRS representative

Cablegram, 689, 17 January 1922, ARA to ARA/London: five persons sailing George Washington 17 January – Maitland, Pate, Harrington, GF Beschorner and Jacob Wagner. Make reservations Rubens

Cablegram, black 622, 18 January 1922, ARA to MM Mitchell/Childfund/Moscow: Your black 686. please see our black 598 and understand from it position has radically changed since our letter 103 and your 83 of 29 October. We repeat, Repp funds to be used for adults as well as children and we must have immediate positive assurance this being done for Miller to avoid embarrassing position. Rush definite statement adults in German colonies participating in distribution of food

Letter, 18 January 1922, Walter Lyman Brown to Colonel William N.Haskell: with reference to our telegram 598 I am attaching copy of telegram 673 from New York and 943 to New York. Both are self explanatory and for guidance in your future work. If not already done, rush a telegram from Repp to Miller to satisfy him and New York on this score

Cablegram, 23 January 1922, from ARA/Moscow, Repp has been wired to feed adults as well as children in German colonies at once

Cablegram, 24 January 1922, all VRS Eurolcon sales to be used entirely for adult feeding in German colonies. Supplement as needed from VRS general funds for most needy colonies, Charge all previous child feeding to ARA. Have Moscow confirm when first adult feeding is started with these funds

Cablegram, 24 January 1922, confirmation from Moscow Repp is feeding adults

Cablegram, 24 January 1922, FC Page/ARA/New York to ARA/London, message about feeding adults in German colonies

Letter, 25 January 1922, AJR Bridges/Accountant to George Repp/ARA/Moscow, sending two copies of account to date. Return one with OK to this office

Cablegram, 25 January 1922, ARA to WM Mitchell/Moscow/Childfund, informing Mitchell about new plan that VRS to feed adults and child feeding is done by ARA, asks confirmation if this is clear and asks when first adult feeding starts

Letter, 26 January 1922, S. Martindale Jr/ARA to ARA/Russian Unit, Eurelcon sales order # 120 received from VRS/George Fuchs/Fresno Calif to be delivered to Colony Popowkina, Jablanowka District, Revensky Province

Cablegram, 27 January 1922, "Repp wired from Saratov that is is already feeding adults in Golei Karamnisch Wyead...."

Cablegram, 28 January 1922, to MM Mitchell/ARA/New York, repeat of message Repp already feeding adults...

Letter, 28 January 1922, AJR Bridges/Accountant/London to ARA/Russian Unit, Rev Jacob Wagner can be advanced sums up to \$500 as he requests

Letter, 30 January 1922, Eva Lutyees/ARA/London to Moscow, forwarding statement from the VRS sent to all of their branches

Cablegram, 30 January 1922, inform Moscow that Rev. Joseph Wagner, assistant to Repp, and Gustave Beschorner/Luthco representative arrive Riga Thursday morning for Moscow

Cablegram, 2 February 1922, S Martindale Jr/ARA to ARA/Russian Unit, just informed by New York distribution of Eurelcon Sale #120 is to be made by Mr. Repp and not by ARA

Cablegram, 11 February 1922, for Repp from Miller "you father-in-law died result automobile accident"

Cablegram, 13 February 1922, relay of message about Repp father-in-law death

Letter, 15 February 1922, Herbert Owen/Office Manager/ARA to Mrs. JH Wagner, 935 Charleston Street, Lincoln Nebr USA, husband Jacob Wagner requested policy No. 58286N for £1200 on his life be sent to her

Letter, 552, 16 February 1922, WN Haskell/ARA to ARA/London, page 1 of 2: refers to letter 648 and telegram 673 from New York. Haskell says adults are being fed and Repp has been asked to send a telegraph report. It takes some time to contact Saratov and often three more weeks to contact Repp. Whole matter seems to have come up over the impossibility of the VRS to stick under the Riga agreement under which they came to Russia. Haskell thinks whole matter is now lined up in accordance with New York wishes and now must get a telegram from Repp to re-assure Miller, page 1 of 2

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Letter, 27 February 1922, Bridges/Accountant/ARA/London to George Repp, sending two copies of your account to date

Cablegram, 3 March 1922, Haskell to Brown, Repp states he is feeding adults

Cablegram, 4 March 1922, Haskell advises has received telegram from Repp that he is feeding adults

Letter, 7 March 1922, Walter Lyman Brown/Director for Europe/ARA to Edgar Rickard/Director/ARA/New York, refers to Rickard telegram 673 of 15 January and letter 552 of 16 February from Haskell; sympathy with Haskell's viewpoint but issue has now been cleared up hopefully to satisfaction of VRS

Telegram(?), 13 March 1922, SARMOS 137, Repp to Haskell, VRS now has credit of \$100,000 to distribute food

Three messages: SARMOS 138, 13 March 1922, Repp to JW Miller/Portland Oregon, All VRS funds will be used for feeding adults, ARA takes care of child feeding; SARMOS 168, 22 March 1922, no childfeeding stocks on hand, kitchens closing every day, given instructions use corn for child feeding, cannot something be done quickly? Gaskill; SERMOS 173, 23 March 1922, to Rticheve, reports 43 corn trains there and at Balashoff, has gone to expedite, Corn is not arriving Saratov cannot these trains be hurried? Gaskell

Cablegram, 17 March 1922, forward to JW Miller/Portland Oregon "All VRS funds will be used for adult feeding as subscribed and designated soonest possible. ARA takes care child feeding. Repp

Cablegram, 19 March 1922, Repp advises "VRS has credit \$100,000." Their total credit to date \$148,579 of which \$148,329 ordered. Do they have additional \$100,000 credit?

Telegram(?), 20 March 1922, ARA to JW Miller, relay Repp message VRS funds will be used for adult feeding

Cablegram(?), 21 March 1922, ARA to S. Martindale/ARA/New York, asking for confirmation of Repp statement additional \$100,000 credit exists

Cablegram, 21 March 1922, asking Page for confirmation VRS has additional \$100,000 credit available

**Collection 1; Series XX: Record Collection from Eduard Gerke**  
**Subseries G: Additional Records from ARA Russian Operations (RO) Files of Hoover Institution Archive**

Box 15, Folder 2:

Letter(?), 5 April 1922, RH Sawtelle, Assistant Treasurer/ARA/New York to ARA/London, discussing agreement with VRS about how to pay expenses incurred by George Repp with a suggestion how to cover past expenses

Letter, 5 April 1922, AJG Bridges/Accountant/ARA to George Repp, send copies of account statement to 1 March

Cablegram, 6 April 1922, Rev. Wagner to be sent to Dr. HF Wekesser, received your three letters, no need for funds for tractors or statistical questionnaires under present conditions, report mailed

Cablegram, 6 April 1922, send to Dr. HF Wekesser – relay of 6 April cablegram about receipt of three letters, etc.

Letter, 7 April 1922, Frank C. Page/ARA/Assistant Secretary to ARA/London, sending list of bulk sales for the VRS and accounting up to 22 March for total VRS sales with amounts for general funds and special use identified. Hopefully this will "...clear up the matter in Moscow and let them know where they stand."

Letter, 17 April 1922, Frank Page/ARA to Walter Lyman Brown/ARA/London: two appeals from Ufa, one from German colonists in villages of Alexievka, Rosovka and Novo-Varvarovkoe, and the other from citizens of German extraction in village Urtakoolovka. We (ARA/New York) think the VRS general fund should provide the aid if it can be arranged because the fund is for all the German colonists

Letter, 27 April 1922, Frank Page/ARA to ARA/London, mistake has been made in allocation of funds for general relief from VRS, a group of sales total \$100,448 and letter enclosed from Mr. Miller/VRS President explains how the allocation was to be made. If allocation did not comply with the letter, discuss the issue with Mr. Repp because "...I am certain that he can get the Portland Committee to do as he thinks best."

Cablegram, 8 May 1922, ARA to S. Martindale Jr., Eurelcons 146 and 196 are for VRS. Eurelcon 14A plus 14B = 14. Eurelcon 17A plus 17B = 17

Telegram, 9 May 1922, S. Martindale Jr./ARA/London to ARA/Russian Unit, refers to Page letter 27 April and asks what the position and the attitude is of Mr. Repp.

Letter, 15 May 1922, #208, Frank Page/ARA/Assistant Secretary to ARA/London: including copy of a letter from Nebraska. Rev. Wagner and Rev. Bescherner are representatives of factions tha cannot find any common ground. Wagner has been warned before he left here he is not to take part in religious propoganda and if the above is true, he should be checked up.

(referenced letter from Nebraska), 11 May 1922, Rev. L. Hopp to Page/ARA/New York: refers to article in Die Welt Post with letter from Pastor Kluck, colony Frank dated 6 March 1922. Kluck letter states Rev. Wagner, a Congregational minister is holding religious meetings in the Frank Lutheran Church. He is using his office to carry on religious propoganda among the Lutheran people in the famine district. I (L. Hopp) energetically protest agains such practice and trust you will take necessary steps to set this gentleman aright.

Letter, 18 May 1922, AJG Bridges/Accountant to Geo. Repp, sending account statement to 1 April

Letter, 24 May 1922, HH Haskell and CJC Quinn/ARA/Moscow to ARA/London, sending letters of thanks to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Treasurer, Windsor Colorado for General Relief Packages covered by Bulk Sale # 62, 67, 68 and 71

Letter 231, 29 May 1922, Mowatt M. Mitchell/ARA/European Children's Fund to ARA/London Unit, sending copies of New York letter 208 to London, 15 May 1922, with copy of its enclosure for such tactful action as your good judgment will dictate

Telegram, black 197, 1 June 1922, ARA to MM Mitchell/Moscow, New York asking urgent response for reason nondelivery of Eurelcon sales 123, 146, 169, 196, 223, and 230 – all for German communes. First three distributions by Repp Saratov, last three ARA Samara. Advise urgently

Letter, 2 June 1922, WH Haskell and CJC Quinn to ARA/London: sending letters of thanks to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Treasurer, Windsor Colorado for General Relief Packages covered by Bulk Sale #63

Letter, #18, 3 June 1922, AJH Bridges/Accountant/ARA to Dr. HP Wekesser: acknowledging receipt of draft for \$700, the amount has been credited to Rev. Jacob Wagner as you requested

Letter, # 1604, 6 June 1922, GE Garden/ARA/Chief Supply Division to ARA/London: sending copies of invoices for 11 Eurelcon Delivery Receipts for Saratov

Letter, #38, 6 Jun 1922, AJR Bridges/Accountant/ARA to Jacob Wagner/ARA/Saratov, acknowledging receipt of his letter with check for \$85. Check is being processed and his account has been credited

Letter, SARMOS 366, 8 June 1922, CS Gaskill/ARA to CJC Quinn/ARA/Moscow: Your letter 240 of 23 May has been discussed with Mr. Repp. He has made distribution in a manner that approximately complies with the instructions in your letter. After one more trip down the river for deliveries, his total will be \$154,000 and he wishes to go home. After his second inoculation he was very sick and unable to get out of bed for 10 days. He does not understand why this letter was written because the subject has been fully covered in his reports and telegrams.

Letter, 1646, 9 June 1922, WN Haskell/Director in Russia to ARA/London: Subject-Religious Propoganda. Refers to letter 231 of 29 May. Haskell reports he discussed the matter with Wagner as soon as it was reported to him and as far as

he knows, Wagner has stopped doing the practice. Wagner now thoroughly understands what is expected of him in this reward (sic). The Nebraska letter is perhaps a rebound from the original incident having been reported in America

Letter, 1646, distribution copy

Letter, 1671, 12 June 1922, W Haskell and GL Garden to ARA/London: send copies of final VRS invoice with Eurelcon Delivery Receipt for sale #80. Also returning copy of accomplished Eurelcon Orders showing total quantities delivered

Letter, 164, 13 June 1922, WJ Myers/ARA to ARA/New York: asking that enclosed letter of thanks #138 be forwarded to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Treasurer, Windsor Colorado for General Relief Packages covered by Bulk Sale #58 (refers to Moscow to London letter 1552 dated 2 June)

Cablegram, 614, 13 June 1922 to WJ Myers: for Page – Eurelcon 123 and 139 delivered.

Cablegram, 15 June 1922, to be forwarded to Dr. Wekesser, Lincoln Nebraska: “In Saratov district fields look nice. Starvation so far under control. Wish clothing could arrive faster. Thanks to all donors. Rev Wagner”

Cablegram, 15 June 1922, distribution copy of Wagner to Wekesser message

Letter, 1752, 15 June 1922, Wm. N. Haskell to ARA/London: enclosing copy of letter from George Repp concerning payment of his transportation expenses. Please settle this matter and inform us of the result. Understanding is ARA is to pay transportation from New York City to his station in the field

Letter, 1730, 15 June 1922, Haskell/ARA/Russian Unit to ARA/London: refers to inquiry in letter 583 about funds to cover expenses of Mr. Repp. Mr. Repp has enough money on hand to get along so it is not necessary to hold any Bulk or Eurelcon Sales to cover his expenses

Letter 1805, 20 June 1922, Haskell and Quinn/ARA/Moscow to ARA/London: sending letters of thanks to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Treasurer, Windsor Colorado for General Relief Packages covered by Bulk Sale #77

Cablegram, black 905, 21 June 1922, Saratov advises all Eurelcon deliveries Volga relief will be completed this week

Cablegram, 689, 22 June 1922, to WJ Myers: Eurelcon 614 and 233 delivered. Moscow advises all Eurelcon deliveries will be completed this week

Letter, 357, 23 June 1922, WJ Myers/ARA to ARA/New York, attention RH Saetelle: relay of Haskell response that Repp has adequate funds to get by with.

Cablegram, black 464, 28 June 1922, ARA to MM Mitchell/ARA/Moscow: do not understand your letter 1757 because have always considered ourselves obligate to Repp repatriation

Cablegram, black 358, 7 July 1922, ARA to Eva Lutynes: informed from Portland Repp has Cholera. Provide daily reports

Letter, 682, 7 July 1922, Frank Page/Assistant Secretary to ARA/London: enclosing copy of memo sent to Mr. Galpin regarding Rev. Wagner and CSVRS which should explain our cable of today. We cannot undertake handling of individual clothing packages

Cablegram, 955, 7 July 1922, ARA to ARA/London: Repp has Cholera

Cablegram, 964, 7 July 1922, ARA to ARA/London: VRS informs ARA Wagner returning to States and they wish to replace him with Volz. Have definite complaints Wagner did religious proselytizing and tried to arrange delivery of clothing packages to individuals through ARA. We have refused other agencies to do the same. Inform us when Wagner intends leaving Russia

Cablegram, black 572, 8 July 1922, ARA to MM Mitchell/Childfund/Moscow: New York informed us Wagner, assistant to Repp, planning to leave Russia. Cable his



intended departure date. Write us fully all complaints regarding proselytizing and if he has attempted to engage us in delivery of individual clothing packages

Cablegram, 844, 8 July 1922, ARA to MM Mitchell/ARA: Repp made ill by Cholera inoculation but now recovered.

Letter, 312, 10 July 1922, AJR Bridges/Accountant to Jacob Wagner: refers to letter 38 of 6 July, we return cheques amounting total of \$35 for reason stated thereon. Protest charges of \$3.75 will be debited from your account

Cablegram, black 201, 13 July 1922, Childfund to ARA/London: Repp had slight illness some weeks ago. No other illness known about. Have asked him to send personal telegram of assurance to Oregon

Copy of commercial wire, 8 August 1922, asking when Repp sails for America

Cablegram, 9 August 1922, no information about Repp sailing

Cablegram, 9 August 1922, asking when Wagner leaving Russia because he has no authority to preach; referred issue to Saratov; discussing requisition of 4215000 (forty two fifteen thousand) Besheoka vaccines

Cablegram, 12 August 1922, Wagner sailed yesterday

Cablegram, 14 August 1922, requesting help to resolve distribution of remaining Eurelcon sales; Moscow, Lutheran and Repp to decide; bulksale 95 delivery confirmed for remitter Ehrlich

Copy of wire, 14 August 1922, discussing delivery of several Eurelcon sales

Cablegram, 22 August 1922, from New York, entirely justified dismissing Wagner if he fails to meet Riga Agreement requirements

Wire, 22 August 1922, New York agrees entirely justified dismissing Wagner if he fails to meet Riga Agreement requirements

Letter (?), GI Gay to ARA/Russian Unit and Moscow, 22 August 1922, discusses New York and VRS plans for preparing used clothing for Volga relief

Cablegram, 24 August 1922, Jacob Volz/VRS sails today on President Adams; Reverend William Scheduling/Lutheran sailed 22 August on Resolute; requests rooms for them; action by Mitchell & Owen

Cablegram, 31 August 1922, multiple topics; asks for details of Repp movements; asks about "what equipment owned by them in White Russia and Ukraine"

Cablegram (?) to MM Mitchell, 31 August 1922, "have you seen George Repp/VRS?"

Cablegram, 31 August 1922, when did you last see Repp and what did you know of his plans then?

Cablegram, 31 August 1922, have lost Repp; left Moscow July 24, no news since; repeating efforts to find

Cablegram, 31 August 1922, have never heard from Repp since his departure; what do you know of his plans?

Cablegram 1 September 1922, George Repp to Mrs. Repp-386 Beech Street, Portland Oregon, "arriving New York Acquitania eighth, meet me

Cablegram, 1 September 1922, commending George Repp for outstanding service during Russia operations. Miller and heads of VRS should be informed about his valuable contributions.

Cablegram, 1 September 1922, Repp left Riga for Berlin 2 August

Cablegram, 2 September 1922, Repp sails on Aquitania tomorrow; repeat of comments of 1 September cable commending Repp for his service and work

Memorandum, Herbert Owen/ARA/London to Jacob Volz, transportation to Riga and instructions/passport/visas for travel through all countries, including Russia, and also transportation to Berlin. Mr. McCoy/ARA courier is contact in the Riga coach

Cablegram, 6 September 1922, "Repp taking no children"

Cablegram, 6 September 1922, discussion letters of thanks to be sent to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Treasurer, Windsor Colorado, for Bulk Sales 59 & 78

Cablegram, 6 September 1922, for Dr. Wekesser/Lincoln Nebraska, "arrived safely, on way to Moscow, Volz"

Cablegram, 6 September 1922, asking if Repp is bringing any children with him; for Brown: looking for letter for Golder from Goodrich mailed at Winchester Indiana – if found return to Page/New York unopened; if it has passed London notify Moscow to return it; Goodrich writing Haskell

Cablegram, 7 September 1922, nothing known about plans of Repp

Cablegram, 7 September 1922 from Warsaw, have not seen Repp

Letter, 7 September 1922, Hewatt M. Mitchell/ARA to ARA/NewYork: George Repp has been released from our service in Russia and left on 24 July 1922; please cancel the insurance policy covering Mr. Repp; refer to our letter to New York #662 of 11 March

Letter, 12 September 1922, Wm. Haskell/ARA Director in Russia to ARA/London; sending letter of thanks to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Treasurer, Windsor Colorado for Bulk Sale # 54 and letter of thanks to Mr. John Ehrlich, Marion Kansas, through JG Evert, Hillsboro Kansas for Bulk Sale # 95; also sending letters of thanks from Professors of the Kiev University for ten food parcels from Dr. Vern Dunshakoff, New York City

Cablegram, 13 September 1922, asking whereabouts of children Repp bringing to American; Baltic American Line has arranged passage for them; rush report status of children and expedite their journey

Cablegram, 13 September 1922, discussing plans and arrangements for children Repp is bringing to America with help from Baltic American Lines Cablegram (?), 14 September 1922, Jacob Volz provided \$1400 of which \$251.95 expenditures have been made. Balance available as a credit for Mr. Volz to draw on as required

Cablegram, 14 September 1922 from Moscow, for Dr. Wekesser/Lincoln Nebraska "arrived safely, on way to Saratov, Volz"

Cablegram, 15 September 1922, for Doctor Wekesser/Lincoln Nebraska "arrived safely, on way to Saratov. Volz"

Letter, 15 September 1922, Wm Haskell to ARA/London, submitting final invoices to VRS for Eurelcon sale # 14B

Cablegram, 16 September 1922, Riga reports Voltz (sic) family sailed for America on White Star liner Cedric 26 August

Cablegram, 16 September 1922, relay of information about Volz travel plans

Letter, 16 September 1922, Haskell to ARA/London, sending letters of thanks to be forwarded to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Colorado District Treasurer for bulk sale #76 (?)

Letter, 16 September 1922, Haskell to ARA/London, sending copies of invoices to VRS for multiple Eurolcon sales

Letter, 16 September 1922, Haskell to ARA/London, sending copies of invoices to VRS for multiple Eurolcon sales

Letter, 16 September 1922, Haskell to ARA/London, sending letters of thanks to be forwarded to Rev. Paul Jueling, VRS Colorado District Treasurer for bulk sale #61

Cablegram, 19 September 1922, "please transmit to Mrs. Wagner, 915 Charleston Street, Lincoln Nebraska "Home end October, Wagner""

Cablegram, 19 September 1922, requesting confirmation of \$1400 claim by Jacob Volz/CSVRS of credit from London ARA

Cablegram, 20 September 1922, confirmation of \$1400 credit for Volz  
 Letter, 21 September 1922, AJR Bridges/Accountant/London to ARA/New York, ask that payments be made to: Mr. Evan Renshaw, 730 Esplanade Avenue, New Orleans Louisiana, \$211.91; Mr. Geo. Repp, 385 Beech Street, Portland Oregon, \$289.25; Dr. CH Johnson, The Capital, Albany New York, \$908.33  
 Cablegram, 22 September 1922, to be forwarded to Doctor Wekesser "Saratov September 15. Volz arrived safely, signed Wagner"  
 Cablegram, 22 September 1922, relay of Wagner message about Volz arrival, sent by S. Martingale  
 Letter, handwritten 25 September 1922, Jacob Volz to Haskell: arrived Saratov 15 September. 18 September Rev. Wagner and I traveled through Goloy Karamisch and 19 other villages. Clothing is universal and greatest need  
 Cablegram, 25 September 1922, from Lehrs/Childfund, visas and journey in Latvian diplomatic car arranged for two widows and their four children traveling with Repp; left Riga 3 August  
 Cablegram, 25 September 1922, relay of Lehrs/Childfund information from ARA to Eva Luyyens/ARA/New York  
 Letter, 28 September 1922, Mowatt M. Mitchell/ARA/London to ARA/New York, sending personal history sheets and photographs of personnel in Russia for EB Callahan, Wm. L. Schuckman and Jacob Volz  
 Letter, 29 September 1922, Haskell to ARA/London, sending original invoices acknowledged by VRS representative for three sales  
 Cablegram, 2 October 1922, for Dr. Wekesser "collect clothing for general distribution, urgent, Volz"  
 Cablegram(?), 3 October 1922, relay to Dr. Wekesser of Volz urgent clothing request  
 Letter, 9 October 1922, Haskell/ARA to ARA/London, discusses new plan to not cancel remittances raised by VRS due to inability to locate the beneficiary within the expiration limit. Asks for confirmation of agreement

**Collection 1; Series XXI: Two Bulletins from American Friends Service Committee**  
 Box 16

Copy, Bulletin 44, *Do you know the Reality of the Russian Famine?*, page 1 of 2  
 Copy, Bulletin 44, *Do you know the Reality of the Russian Famine?*, page 2 of 2  
 Copy, Bulletin 47, *15,000,000 Starving – What will you give?*, page 1 of 6  
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**Collection 1; Series XXII: Report by Pastor Arthur Kluck, village Frank, 1918-1922 (German)**

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Report by Pastor Arthur Kluck, village Frank, 1918-1922 (handwritten German), on National Lutheran Council letterhead, contains information about Frank, Hussenbach, Kolb, Walter, Walter-Chutor and Frank-Chutor, page 1 of 35  
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**Collection 1; Series XXIII: Records of JJ Stroh, Lincoln Nebraska**

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- Telegram from ??, 27 April 1903: details for tickets of Peter Debas family plus Phillip Baum, Johannes Gettman, Andreas Dettenber and Phillip Krum leaving Halifax for Lincoln. Tickets paid for by Johannes Mackeer
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 11 Oct 1903. 'prepaid 23675 Ditrich arriving on Champlain due at Quebec Friday night'
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 30 Nov 1903. 'prepad 23812 Catrina Walter arrived St John Saturday. Will leave on first connecting train for destination.'
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 16 Feb 1904. Discussing prepaid 14297 Nolte. Refund was sent to Stroh for prepaid 23811 Conrad Hardung.
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 26 March 1904. About prepaids 23543 Jacob Koch and 23514 Philip Thiel expected at port Sunday.
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 18 April 1904. Passenger Jacob Klein arrived on SS Lake Manitoba at West St. John, N.B. this morning.
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 30 April 1904. Passengers 19385 Johannes Boehn and 19388 Johannes Worster expected at Montreal between now and Monday. Will probably reach Lincoln Nebraska about Thursday or Friday of next week. Same information for passenger 11062.
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 11 Jun 1904. Family Bastrom left Quebec Saturday and Hopp family requires \$25. Passengers were on the Dominion Line and were booked by Mr. Swartz of Hastings Nebraska
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 3 Jul 1904. Jacob Kersh left New York July 1<sup>st</sup> on C&W Wabash & UP Railways.
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 23 Jul 1904. Passenger 11067 Zeiler arrived in Quebec yesterday afternoon on Lake Erie
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 9 Nov 1904. Passengers on prepaid 4536, Elizabeth George and infant, on incoming Mt. Temple expected to arrive in Quebec in a day or two
- Telegram from CF Weaver – Beaver Line, 10 Apr 1905. Lake Ontario arrived this noon at St. John and following prepaid passengers were on her: (your numbers) 14002 Blum – two adults and one half; 14036 Lenhart – two adults; 14038 Rotte – three adults and one half; 14082 Rotte – three adults and two children; 14083 Weizel – four adults and four children; 14084 Gesik – five adults and two children; 14089 Gesick – two adults and four children; 14121 Lebsack – one adult and one child; 14126 Lebsack – two adults and three children; 14123 Mahr – two adults and five children
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 19 Jun 1905. SS Montreal arrived today with your following passengers: 11917 Weirbauer, 11892 Miller, 11916 Fonkel, 11819 Hofferber and 11919 Urich
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 15 Jul 1905. Lake Michigan arrived in Quebec today with your following passengers: 11904 P. Geyer, 11896 M. Riehl, 11902 J. Reider
- Telegram from Canadian Pacific Railway Company, 8 Dec 1905. SS Mount Temple due to arrive at St. John about 12 Dec with your following passengers: 33420 J. Schmidt, 11909 W.Koch and 33425 P. Koch
- Telegram from ??, 14 Dec 1905. Your passenger on SS Mount Temple will arrive Lincoln Saturday evening via Chicago
- Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co., 22 Dec 1905. About Mrs. Frank who arrived Baltimore 30 August 1904. One child detained and returned to

Europe because of Trachoa. Child died and Mrs. Frank also contracted disease.  
 Other details about remainder of family in letter. (page 1 and page 2)

Letter from Holland-America Line, 27 Feb 1906. Prepaid 877813 Amen leaves New York tomorrow via Erie Railroad.

Letter from Francis C Brown, Agent, 27 Feb 1906. Passengers holding Dominion Line prepaids 114738, 114739, 114740, 117036 arrived at Portland Sunday on steamer Southwark. Passengers left Montreal this morning on Grand Trunk Railroad. Passenger on prepaid 114737 detained because of measles.

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co, 19 Oct 1906. Payment received for rail tickets for Jacob Heinrich who took passage from Bremen on 4<sup>th</sup> Oct via SS Koeln. Heinrich family will leave Galveston for Lincoln Nebraska.

Letter from Russian-American Line, 4 Dec 1906. Prepaid passengers 7021 and 7022 arrived in New York yesterday on SS Estonia.

Letter from Holland-American Line, 16 Jan 1907. Cabin prepaid 19466 Wilman arrived on SS Ryndam yesterday and left New York last night via Erie Railway

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co., 5 Jan 1907. Received \$58.50 funds to pay for two immigrant railroad tickets from New York to Lincoln Nebr. For Jacob Schissler who arrived on SS Main.

Letter from ??, 11 Jan 1907. Concerning prepaids 31408, 21587 and 22133, Johannes & Conrad Kaiser. Johannes Kaiser has crippled foot but was admitted by Immigration Authorities. Conrad Kaiser is certified to have Trachoma and will be returned by SS Kronprinz Wilhelm on 22 Jan. (page one and page 2)

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co., 15 Jan 1907 about Johannes & Conrad Kaiser. Lloyds' agents cannot be blamed for Conrad Kaiser's return because they attempted to have him admitted to a hospital. No appeals are granted by Immigration Authorities. (page one and page 2)

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co, 21 Jan 1907. Received \$64.55 for railroad transportation from Baltimore MD to Lincoln Nebraska for Helfrich Schisler and family coming from Bremen on SS Brandenburg

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co., 3 Jun 1907. Following passengers arriving per SS Chemnitz on or about 9 June 1907: 3891/677/5032 Alexander Flath; 4126/801/5038 Elisabeth Fuks and children; 4196/801/5038 Family Schleiger; 4224/813/5039 Family Frank; 4158/786/5035 Family Niederhaus

Letter from Russian Volunteer Fleet, 11 Jun 1907. Prepaid passengers 5225-26-27 arrived in New York per Steamer Arconia and left last night for destination.

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co., 7 Mar 1908. Andr. E. Reiter on prepaid 30275/44406 to be held upon arrival at Bremen on SS Rhein from New York. He will be treated there at JJ Stroh expense so he may again be forwarded to Baltimore.

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co., 7 May 1908. Details about Oswald Hain and family traveling on prepaid tickets 41626, 24407, 39407 and 39264 who arrived in New York by SS Breslau 31 Oct 1907. Son Anton was in hospital because of eye trouble. Family released 16 Nov 1907 and forwarded to destination.

Letter from Hamburg-American Line, 31 July 1908. Prepaid 15038 passenger Jacob Scaff who arrived on SS Sieglinde must be provided with correct address of his relatives so he may proceed to the destination.

Letter from North German Lloyd Steamship Co., 15 Oct 1908. Discussion of required payment \$27.95 for railroad fare for Alexander Schultz who arrived on SS Caledonian.

Copies (many faint) of 45 pages of JJ Stroh ledger book with up to 44 name and data entries per page. Ledger spans period from 1903 to 1914

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Box 16, Folder 1: ARA Association Review, March 1925

Pamphlet cover sheet

The ARA Association Review: text explaining the association

America in European Restoration, Herbert Hoover, page 3

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America in European Restoration, Herbert Hoover, page 5

The Character of the ARA Association, Albert A Schaal, page 6

The Character of the ARA Association, Albert A Schaal, page 7

First Meetings of the Association, Alvin C. Blomquist, page 8

The First Annual Reunion, Harry L. Gilchriese, page 9

The First Annual Reunion, Harry L. Gilchriese, page 10

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From Prominent Members: Frank C. Page, George Barr Baker, John P. Grogg, page 12

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MsSweeney, Messages, page 14

Leadership in Modern Civilization, Julius H. Barnes, page 15

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The Spirit of the ARA, Arthur Ruhl, page 17

The Spirit of the ARA, Arthur Ruhl, page 18 & 19

Les Embusqués, HH Fisher, page 19

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The District Guy (a poem), Harry L. Gilchriese, page 21

A Fable of a Sort, John Ellingston, page 22

The American Relief Administration in Europe, Sidney Brooks, page 23

The American Relief Administration in Europe, Sidney Brooks, page 24

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Constitution and Bylaws of the ARA Association, adopted 21 March 1923, page 26

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Officers of the Association, Elected 21 March 1923, page 28

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“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, original

“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, page 3

“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 4&5

“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 6&7

“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 8&9



“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 10&11  
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“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 14&15  
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“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 20&21  
“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 22&23  
“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 24&25  
“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 26&27  
“Russia Relief”: pamphlet from Committee on Foreign Affairs, House or Representatives, statements and information, 13 December 1921, pages 28&29  
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Meeting minutes 15 April, and 7 May; Amen, Roehrig, Bender, Schmidt, (German)  
Meeting minutes 13 May; Amen, Roehrig, Bender, Schmidt, (German)  
Handwritten notes (German), no date, Bank Balances; Amen, Roehrig, Bender  
Handwritten note: Wm Blouder, Great Northern Depot Tick Office, Spokane Wash  
List of Delegates present at the 1924 Portland convention: page 1  
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 Large advertisement for the Fresno Convention 30 Sept to 4 Oct 1925. Includes photos of major officers of Society (original folded)  
 Large advertisement for the Fresno Convention 30 Sept to 4 Oct 1925. Includes photos of major officers of Society, sheet 1  
 Large advertisement for the Fresno Convention 30 Sept to 4 Oct 1925. Includes photos of major officers of Society, sheet 2  
 Large advertisement for the Fresno Convention 30 Sept to 4 Oct 1925. Includes photos of major officers of Society, sheet 3  
 Form letter, H.J. Amen to "Dear Sir" announcing Fifth National Convention of the American Volga Relief Society in Lincoln Nebraska 23-27 June 1926  
 Letter to Hon. James P. Goodrich, Indianapolis Indiana, from HJ Amen acknowledging Goodrich plans to speak at Convention, 8 June 1926  
 Letter to H.J.Amen from ? Gier, Secretary stating officers of the Fresno organization will be unable to attend Convention because of problems and lack of interest within the Fresno group, page 1 of 2  
 Letter to H.J.Amen from ? Gier, Secretary stating officers of the Fresno organization will be unable to attend Convention because of problems and lack of interest within the Fresno group, page 2 of 2  
 Receipt to H.J.Amen, signed by John Rohrig for \$100, 18 October 1926  
 Letter to H.J.Amen from LL Nissen, Idaho Falls, Idaho returning materials to Amen previously borrowed, 22 April 1955, two pages with envelope

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Box 16, Folder 2 – Material from H.J. Amen Collection

Program of the General Conference of Volga Relief Societies, held at Zion Church, Lincoln Nebraska (no year on program) 3-5 November, 2 pages (front & back)  
Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, 11-15 June 1924, Portland Oregon (German); page 1 of 4  
Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, 11-15 June 1924, Portland Oregon (German); page 2 of 4  
Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, 11-15 June 1924, Portland Oregon (German); page 3 of 4  
Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, 11-15 June 1924, Portland Oregon (German); page 4 of 4  
Program (three copies) of American Volga Relief Society Convention, 11-15 June 1924, Portland Oregon (German); originally AHSGR library item GR268, Loan Collection  
Presentation by G. Schmidt for 11-15 June 1925 Portland Oregon Volga Relief Society Convention, page 1 of 8  
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Presentation by G. Schmidt for 11-15 June 1925 Portland Oregon Volga Relief Society Convention (six copies)  
Pledge Card (with envelope, two pages) to Volga-German Agency, Inc., 5120 Lawrence Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

**Series XXVI: Report of Donors and Recipients of Food Drafts to German Settlements in Russia, Sept 1922 to March 1923 (Primarily in the Odessa Region); by Gust Mauser through the National Lutheran Council, Archives of ELCA [cover sheet and 55 handwritten pages (two sided, pages 1-110)]**

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**Collection 1; Series XXVII: Multiple Copies of Cablegrams, Telegrams, Letters and Other Material Associated with Catholic Aid Activities**

Box 16

Copy Control Slip

Uncertain dates:

Telegram, from Wohn. Burke: Edmund Walsh authorized to act as National Catholic Welfare Council representative on ARA relief for three months  
Letter, E. Walsh to Wm. Haskell; Walsh leaving with Mr. Kohl for Simpheropol to discuss where can be most help. Reference to Soviet Ration of 1270 calories.

Note: Papal Mission is feeding 35,000 children in the Crimea

Note attached to message: page 1 of 2

Message excerpts: ARA now feeding 70,000 children and adults...Catholic Mission will spend \$50,000 on medical relief...Mission now feeding 30,000 children in northern part of the Caucasus, 2,000 children and adults at Roster-on-the-Don and about 1,000 children and adults in orphanages, hospitals and open kitchens in Moscow....program will reach nearly 100,000 at midwinter, 2 of 2

Catholic Mission report for Djankey district

Note: Catholic mission now feeds 90,000 consumers. Has \$4,000,000 fund with plan to open bone-tuberculosis sanatorium in Crimea for children

Note: Catholic Mission feeding 8,597 students in Moscow...total children and adults being fed in Moscow, Krasnodar, Rostov Grenburg and Crimea is 135,000

Catholic Mission report for Crimea, Drasnodar, Moscow, Oranburg and Rostov

Letter, E. Walsh to Mrs. Haskell: asking Mrs. Haskell to discuss with her husband how to get Catholic representation and support for the Volga Relief work, page 1 of 2

Letter, E. Walsh to Mrs. Haskell, page 2 of 2

Message, E. Walsh to Martindale, 3 April 1922, Ughi San Gievanni Decollate No. 2,

Roma, Italia urging money (many thousands of dollars) be transferred to ARA  
Cablegram, 1 May 1922, Childfund to ?, Dr. Edmund Walsh enroute to Moscow, funding provided for his use

Letter, 4 May 1922, James Hogeson/Supervisor/Rostov/Don to

Director/ARA/Moscow, committee formed among the Catholics in Rostov/Don: Stanislav Kardasievitch (Father of RC Church), Jan Shitz, Ludvig Koslovsky

Letter, Eugenia Kolupasv to Major Mohler, 21 May 1922, discussing risk to her family and problems encountered when attempting to bring USD to the area.

Working with ARA is appealing, page 1 of 2

Letter, Eugenia Kolupasv to Major Mohler, 21 May 1922, continues discussion of not being able to believe Russian persons who say they can help, page 2 of 2

Letter, Bruce Mohler/Director/Bureau of Immigration to Col. Wm. Haskell/ARA, 22 May 1922; requesting ARA assistance to help the family of Mrs. Kolupsev get from Kiev to the US, page 1 of 2

Letter, Bruce Mohler/Director/...Immigration to .. Wm. Haskell...page 2 of 2

Cablegram, AMREFA/New York to AMRELIEFA/London, 9 June 1922;

discussing Walsh discussions in London with plan Catholic Welfare will take over a separate area. \$100,000 planned now with additional \$200,000 later

Cablegram, Amreliefa to MM Mitchell, CHILDFUND/Moscow, 12 Jun 1922 repeating 9 Jun 1922 discussion of Walsh in London

Letter, Haskell/Director in Russia to Bruce Mohler/Bureau of Immigration, 17 June 1922; advising ARA cannot assist Kolupaev family to leave Russia because of

agreements with Soviets of limits of ARA role. Recommends Kolupaev family request permission from Russian authorities to leave Russia, page 1 of 2

Letter, Haskell to Mohler, 17 June 1922, states ARA is prohibited from extending to Russian people the means of safe exit from Russia, page 2 of 2

Letter, Haskell to ARA/London, 27 Jun 1922; explaining support for Edmund Walsh, National Catholic Welfare Council, to deliver food packages as requested

Cablegram, information for Haskell, 29 June 1922 from Edmund Walsh; arranged for feeding in Rostov and Kkaseridag districts

Memo, Frank Page/ARA to Mr. Gelpin, 7 July 1922; National Catholic Welfare Council (NCWC) have \$200,000 available for Father Walsh when he calls for it. Novorossisk support being investigated, Walsh to work with Vatican for permission of NCWC to appeal to all US Catholic Churches with special appeal from the Pope for them to take over the Novorossisk Rosto District.

Telegram, AMRELIEFA to CHLDFUND/Moscow, 10 July 1922; \$10, 068 received for Edmund Walsh

Letter, CJC Quinn/ARA/Russia to NCWC, 19 July 1922; refers to 'attached' telegram and Quinn expects Walsh to explain when he arrives

Extract from Riga Press Summary, 27 July 1922; Pope Pius XI makes another appeal for the Relief of Russia and orders all Bishops to collect alms.

Telegram, MM Mitchel/ARA to ARA/Russian Unit, 28 July 1922; can furnish no information and matter will be cleared up upon arrival of Mr. Walsh

Letter, NCWC/Walsh to Cyril Quinn/ARA, 28 July 1922; explaining discussion with Hoover and role and plan of NCWC to work as Catholic representatives on the ARA and work with the ARA as they have with Quakers, Mennonites, Lutherans and other organizations, page 1 or 3

Letter, NCWC/Walsh to Cyril Quinn/ARA, 28 July 1922, page 2 of 3

Letter, NCWC/Walsh to Cyril Quinn/ARA, 28 July 1922, page 3 of 3

Copy of Walsh/Quinn letter, 28 July 1922 with distribution list, page 1 of 2

Copy of walsh/Quinn letter, 28 July 1922 with distribution list, page 2 of 2

Message history, 27 July to 27 Sept 1922, discussing funding transfers, page 1 of 2

Message history, 27 July to 27 Sept 1922, page 2 of 2

Letter, CJC Quinn/ARA to Philip Tracy Mohl/ARA Crimea, 1 August 1922; sending copy of letter given to Edmund Walsh and asking that "...you facilitate to the utmost..." the work Walsh is undertaking. (poor copy)

Letter, Quinn/ARA to Edmund Walsh/NCWC describing Walsh role in Crimea, 1 Aug 1922 (this is letter referred to in Quinn/Mohl correspondence., page 1 of 2

Letter, Quinn/ARA to Edmund Wals/NCWC, 1 Aug 1922, page 2 of 2

Letter, Quinn/ARA to ARA/London, 2 Aug 1922; reminding them of future activities of Edmund Walsh in Crimea.

Letter, Quinn/ARA to ARA/Rostov/Don/Russia, 2 Aug 1922; asking ARA/Rostov to facilitate work Walsh is undertaking

Message, K.Lander/ARA/rSFSR to EA Walsh/NCWC, 2 Aug 1922; confirming understanding Walsh work for Pontifical Relief Mission in Crimea

Cover note for copy of Quinn to ARA/London letter, 3 Aug 1922

Letter, Quinn/ARA to ARA/London, 4 Aug 1922; sending copy of Lander to Walsh letter confirming agreement of supervision of Pontifical Relief Mission in addition to his other duties as member of ARA staff

Cablegram, Amrefa to ARA/London, 5 Aug 1922; \$100,000 to be made available to Father Walsh - \$60,000 has been received and \$40,000 balance to follow

Cablegram, AMRELIEFA to Myers/CHILDFUND MOSCOW, 5 Aug 1922; asking if Walsh \$100,000 to be handled as bulk sale or standing credit

Cablegram, AMRELIEFA and Myers/CHILDFUND MOSCOW, 8 Aug 1922; Walsh \$100,000 will be Eurelcon sale twofourthree

Message history, 10 Aug thru 21 Aug 1922; discussing funds transfers, distribution of food in Crimea, and arrangements for workers, page 1 of 4

Message history, 10 Aug thru 21 Aug 1922; discussing funds transfers, distribution of food in Crimea, and arrangements for workers, page 2 of 4

Message history, 10 Aug thru 21 Aug 1922; discussing funds transfers, distribution of food in Crimea, and arrangements for workers, page 3 of 4

Message history, 10 Aug thru 21 Aug 1922; discussing funds transfers, distribution of food in Crimea, and arrangements for workers, page 4 of 4

Cablegram, Childfund to ARA/London, from Walsh to Hoover and Haskel, 11 Aug 1922; Soviet authorities asked plans be changed to concentrate all Catholic feeding in Crimea where conditions are acute. After discussing with Quinn, that is what will happen unless reason is provided why should not work in Crimea and begin with 35,000 to 40,000 children

Cablegram, Amrefa for Walsh, 15 Aug 1922; no reason against Crimea, decision left entirely to you and Quinn

Cablegram, Amreliefa to Childfund/Moscow, 16 Aug 1922; no reason against beginning in Crimea

Letter, Marsh (assumed) to Quinn/ARA, 16 Aug 1922; beginning work in Eupatoria and Djankoy districts, about 36,000 children. Plan to work with ARA personnel in kitchens for about two weeks to gain experience then will operation on our own. (page 2 is missing)

Cablegram, Childfund to ARA/London, 21 Aug 1922; Walsh requests \$100,000 credit

Cablegram, AMRELIEFA to WJ Myers/New York, 22 Aug 1922; Reference you letter - Walsh requests \$100,000. "Suggest you hold as standing credit until we advise what portion Eurelcon bulk sale and cash." Confirm your agreement this arrangement

Letter, Walter Lyman Brown/ARA/Director for Europe to ARA/New York, 26 Aug 1922; sending copy of letter Lander to Walsh confirming his agreement to Walsh supervision of the Pontifical Relief Mission is addition to his other duties as member of staff of the ARA

Letter, Quinn/ARA to Walsh/NCWC, 29 Aug 1922; confirming Walsh plan is agreeable...while food program is being cut elsewhere, no change is planned for Crimea work

Extract from 31 Aug 1922 Progress Report (believed to be from Quinn); Walsh activity proceeding well....Crimean authorities asked him to take over the northern third of Crimea which includes the Uyezds of Evpateria and Dzhankey ...his headquarters will be in Evpatoria with 10 European personnel to help...ARA supplies in those two districts will be exhausted by September 15

Semi-monthly report from Rostov District from James Hodgson/ARA Supervisor/Rostov/Don, 1 Sept 1922; two members of Walsh organization have arrived. They will assist Dr. Walsh to distribute food packages in this section.

Letter, Walsh/NCWC to P.Tracy Koble/ARA/Theodosia, 9 Sept 1922; report of progress...spoiled milk in last shipment...use of rail transport should be avoided and boat shipments are preferred...transportation to villages for distribution is a significant problem...requests another substantial shipment

soon because supplies are low...working to find a suitable kitchen facility, page 1 of 2

Letter, Walsh/NCWC to P.Tracy Koble/ARA/Theodosia, 9 Sept 1922; page 2 of 2

Cablegram, sending message from John Bonzane Apostolic Delegate to ARA/London concerning Walsh request for cash, 12 Sept 1922; “not having been empowered by the Vatican to deflect from Relief purposes any portion of \$100,000 credit, I cannot grant it. If the Vatican should desire any change in use of its relief fund I shall notify you.”

Message, AMRELIEFA to WJ Myers/ARA/New York, 13 Sept 1922; ‘you previously informed us Eurelcon 243 for Father Walsh however assume this now busted. Have you issued Eurelcon 243 to whom and for what amount? Please confirm our 227’

Cablegram, Amrefs to ARA/London, 16 Sept 1922; ‘your 227 and 374 – still awaiting consent donors use \$5,000 cash. Meantime canceling Eurecon 343 and treating as food credit. Will advise.

Cablegram, AMRELIEFA to CHILDFUND/MOSCOW, 16 Sept 1922; ‘black 349 – your black 771 matter passed to New York who advise still waiting consent donors use \$5,000 cash. Meantime they treating Walsh \$100,000 as food credit. Will advise

Letter, F.Tracy Kohl/Supervisor/Crimea/Theodosia to Director/ARA/Moscow, 17 Sept 1922; submitting progress report (not attached)... Walsh having some problems getting started...as soon as Mr. Bulle left the Crimea there was a perceptible slackening of genuine cooperation

Cablegram, AMREFA to ARA/New York, 19 Sept 1922; sending content of 12 Sept 1922 cable with message from John Bonzane Apostolic Delegate

Message, AMRELIEFA to Bridges/CHILDFUND, 21 Sept 1922; black 408 – our 349 following receipt of John Boazano Apostolic Delegate message about Walsh request for cash (see 12 Sept 1922 Cablegram)

Cablegram, CHILDFUND to ARA/London, 25 Sept 1922; black 136 – please advise action taken on our black 771...Walsh desires \$20,000 for local bulk sales; \$5,000 for administrative purposes and balance for child feeding in Crimea as Eurelcon sale

Cablegram, AMRELIEFA to CHILDFUND/MOSCOW, 26 Sept 1922; black 455 – ref your 136/our 408 answers your 771 about impossibility of using any part of \$100,000 for administrative purposes. Walsh must make other arrangement for \$5,000. Will issue bulksale for \$20,000 and Eurelcons sale for \$80,000. Confirm your agreement and we will transmit sale numbers.

Cablegram, Childfund/Riga to ARA/London, 30 Sept 1922; your 408 communicated to Docto Walsh and arrangements satisfactory. New York apparently misunderstood purpose of the case credit and Walsh agrees entire \$100,000 be distributed as \$80,000 Eurelcon sale and \$20,000 bulk sale

Message, AMRELIEFA to Martindale, 30 Sept 1922; 508, your 306 Walsh requests \$80,000 Eurelcon and \$20,000 bulk instead of \$100,000 credit. Advise sale numbers

Message, childfund from/to ?, 3 Oct 1922; Mostov 335 – for Voltas Catholic Relief “am shipping 15 tons food in bulk to be distributed as before. Advise whether public kitchen should be started. Accept Italian proposal if they donate supplies outright to be distributed in Rostov as Catholic Relief. Employees has right according to agreement with Moscow to receive cas salary as well as food rations.” Walsh

Message, AMRELEFA to S.Martindale/CHILDFUND/MOSCOW, 3 Oct 1922; black 515, our 453 your 216, \$100,000 credit becomes Eurelcon sale 247 dollars \$80,000, bulk sale 504 dollars \$20,000

Message, A.J.R.Bridges/Accountant to ARA/Moscow, 6 Oct 1922; account statement for NCWC...your figures agree with ours....balance as of 30 Sept \$7,314.78

Message, S.Martindale/ARA to ARA/Moscow & London, 11 Oct 1922; to straighten out confusion of the \$100,000 food credit for Father Walsh...in order to avoid duplication, the original \$100,000 will be recorded as Eurelcon sale 247 for \$80,000 and Standing Credit for \$20,000. Bulk Sale 504 has been cancelled

Press Release, 24 Oct 1922; conditions in the Crimea are as bad as experienced in Volga region last winter...feeding 1,000 children in Eupatoria, will expand to 40,000 when houses are opened in Simferopol and other locations in the Crimea. Through ARA, food packages purchased by Catholic funds have been sent to all Catholic priests in Russia, except those in Siberia (ARA unable to guarantee delivery beyond Ufa). 120 priests reached so far, there are said to be 20 priests in Siberia. These figures do not include the Ukraine.

Message, SIFEROPOL/Childfund to ARA/Moscow, 28 Oct 1922; Walsh, wire your decision on Galagher letter proposing Catholic Mission taking over Eupatoria and Jankoi as of October first

Press Release, 8 Nov 1922; 860 tons of food stuffs have been shipped to the Crimea, sufficient to feed 40,000 children for two months...the 40,000 rations are in addition to the 50,000 already allocated by the ARA...in addition to work in Crimea, Walsh also established station at Rostov-on-the-Don to distribute food packages...stations are operated on non-sectarian lines...three additional relief workers from Catholic Mission expected to arrive in Moscow next week

Newspaper article, New York Post, 14 Nov 1922; "Relief Couriers had Perilous Job – had to work in blizzards and often sold underware for food...one out of every three stricken with typhus

Newspaper article, Brooklyn Eagle, 14 Nov 1922; Father Farrell to go soon to Russia on Pope Pius' Order – Head of Brooklyn College detached for Year's special mission abroad

Letter 16, New York to Moscow, George Barr Baker to Wm. N. Haskell, 16 Nov 1922; sending article from Brooklyn Eagle about Father Farrell

Message, Haskell/Childfund to ARA/London, 18 Nov 1922; Doctor Walsh requested Doctor Farrell as second NCWC representative to my staff under Eurelcon agreement. Recommendation has my approval

Cablegram, AMREFA to AMRELIEFA/London, 21 Nov 1922; no objection NCWC taking Farrell. Archbishop Bonzano has sailed for Europe. His letter forwarded. You stated he has no authority to pay overhead Walsh and others. If Walsh makes proper arrangements with Rome for pay and care of Farrell we willing. Notify us when Farrell goes off our payroll.

Message, from Riga to ARA/Moscow, 18 Nov 1922; for Haskell from Antwerpen "Joseph Ferrel and Frances Breen are authorized representatives NCWC ARA. Ill said vry soon signed Burke"

Cablegram, Amrefa to Amrelief/London, 29 Nov 1922; discussion Farrell and Francis Breen travel to Russia and their authorization...quotes message from Haskell that Francis to await further orders...also quotes message from Charge D'Affaires Apostolic Delegation to get in touch with Breen and recall him



when he disembarks...we have no authority in this matter..entirely in hands of Walsh and Rome but you should get more information before Breen proceeds  
Cablegram, Childfund to AMREFA/NYK and Moscow, 2 Dec 1922; Walsh requests the additional \$100,000 soon to be deposited by the Apostolic Delegate in Washington to his credit for Russian relief be held as cash credit subject to his order. Walsh will advise how credit is to be used.

Internal ARA cover/action note, 7 Dec 1922

Cablegram, R.H.Sawtelle/Amrefa to Amrelief/London, 7 Dec 1922; received from Apostolic Delegation \$4,990 – place disposal Walsh and notify him

Cablegram, Amrelief/London, 12 Dec 1922; Baker press Casparri Rome cabled Walsh Moscow – Pope has acceded request Soviet government for Catholic mission feed Orenburg. Walsh fixed orenburn program 20,000 starting soon as possible. This brings Catholic program to about 70,000. Operates through Eurelcon sales to Walsh total purchases now more than fifth (fifty?, five?) million dollars. Pope has made personal gift million Lira medical supplies

Press Release, 13 Dec 1922; Pope Pius has made a personal gift of one million lira for purchase of medical supplies and has acceded to request by Soviet government for a Catholic mission to feed more that 20,000 in Orenburg district, one of the hardest hit of the Russian famine sections

Press Release, 14 Dec 1922; Edmund Walsh notified today by Cardinal Gasparri, Papal secretary of state in Rome, that Pope Pius XI has acceded to request of Soviet Government for Catholic Mission to conduct feeding in Orenburg district...with 20,000 in Orenburg to be fed, this brings Catholic Mission support to 70,000...cable from Rome also stated the Pope made a personal gift of one million lira for medical supplies for cooperation with ARA medical assistance and inoculation againse the spread of epidemic diseases.

Newspaper article, Izvestia, 15 Dec 1922; discusses Catholic Mission to inspect and assist with feeding...expects to open kitchens in the districts for children and unemployed (under age) boys...Mission hopes to feed 6,500 children and supply institutions and hospitals with medicine and clothing

Newspaper article, Beduota, 17 Dec 1922; points out another relief organization under the name of Catholic Welfare Council...this is an Italian Mission ...aim is to extend relief to orphans and starving children.... Expect to support about 150,000 children in regions of Neaterinoslav, Moscow and Crimea...will feed about 40,000 children in Moscow city...already supporting about 12,000

Cablegram, Childfund to ARA/Moscow and New York, 20 Dec 1922; Walsh requests \$100,000 credit made available as \$95,000 Eurelcon sale, \$5,000 cash credit

Cablegram, R.H.Sawtelle/AMREFA to ARA/London, 22 Dec 1922; received from Apostolic Delegation additional \$51,000. New York treating as open credit. Notify and place disposal Reverand Edmund Walsh treat deliveries per Yorlonos 73

Message, Philip Mathews/ARA Executive Assistant to Dr. Edmund Walsh/Catholic Mission, 28 Dec 1922; Acting Director approved delivery to you of food supplies on hand in Kuban-Black Sea Republic as result of liquidation of ARA program in that area. Supplies valued approximately \$45,000. Contact Mr. McMahon of Supplie Department who, with Mr. Telford of Finance Division, are authorized to arrange terms for the sale.

Cablegram, AMREFA to ARA/Amrelief/London, 6 Jan 1923; received from Apostolic Delegation additional \$100,000. New York treating as open credit. (repeat of information in 22 Dec 1922 message Sawtelle to ARA/London)

Letter, Arthur T. Dailey/ARA/New York to C.J.C.Quinn/ARA/Moscow, 9 Jan 1923; discussing numerous issues from memoranda concerning cable 48

Press Release, 10 Jan 1923; NCWC in affiliation with ARA increased feeding program to 70,000 children and adults. Independent of ARA Catholic Mission will spend \$50,000 on medical supplies...Medical relief money is a personal gift from the Pope...Mission now feeding 30,000 children in Northern part of Crimea, 7,000 children and adults at Krasnodar in Caucasus, 2,000 children and adults at Rostov-on-the-Don and about 11,000 children and sick adults in orphanages, hospitals and open kitchens in Moscow...program will reach nearly 100,000 at midwinter

Letter, Frank C. Page/ARA to Chris. A. Herter/Department of Commerce, 15 Jan 1923; discussing possible plans for when ARA pulls out of Russia relief operation... "I have perfectly good line on all of the organization excepting the Catholics. The Charge d' Affaires of the Apostolic Delegation to date has written only a couple of letters, so that I do not feel that I have any real touch with him such as I had with Bonzano..." suggests Herter contacts Monsignor Cossio to discuss actions they will take when ARA withdraws from Russia

Letter, C.J.C.Quinn/ARA/Russia to Arthur. T. Dailey/ARA/New York, 1 Feb 1923; discusses AP cable about 'trade union squeak'...we are hopeful of getting out of the situation without being scorched.

Cablegram, Childfund to Childfund/Rostof, 12 Feb 1922; Mostov 449-for Kennedy..Haskell directs you go immediatel Krasnodar...be of any assistance possible..Pifimonte (?) Catholic Mission sick pneumonia. Also bring any medicines apparatus necessary. Walsh coming Kreasnodar immediately leaving Moscow probably Wednesday. Spare no expense for nurses and othr needs for account Catholic Mission

Newspaper article, Daily News \_\_\_?\_\_\_, 15 Feb 1922; Catholic Mission gave its warehouses 30 tons of supplies, 200 suits of clothes nd linen and \$25,000 worth of medical supplies to be distributed during Child Week. Mission now feeding 125,000 in 701 feeding points, kitchens, hospitals and orphanages in Moscow, Drassnodar, Rostov, Orenbur and the Crimea

Internal ARA cover and routing note

Page 2 of a memo from R.A., 12 March 1923; "as for the Catholic Mission and the French Red Cross the various scope of their aid shows that these organizations had some other aim in their work instead of real help to the dying population of the famishing Volga regions.

Confidential memorandum, C.J.C.Quinn/ARA/Russia to ??, 15 Mar 1923; C.P.Murray being released from ARA because....tempermentally unfit for further service in Russia...we feel his departure on Monday advisable, both in his own personal interest and in that of ARA

Cablegram, Amrelief/London, 17 Apr 1923, (difficult to read) asks that following statistics by transmitted to Burke: Crimea children 39,305, adults 6,853; Moscow children 2,447, adults 1,400; Krasnobar children 14,340, adults 6,545; Orenburg children 25,000, adults 1,000; Rostov children 6,000, adults 5,000...701 feeding points

Newsletter article, Krasnay Kruin (?), 1 May 1923; Catholic Mission fed 22,109 persons and 1,979 rations of this amount were issued as cooked meals in closed

children institutions and medical institutions...in December this Mission fed up to 26,968 persons...besides this the Mission issued 520 rations to adults.  
 Newsletter article, Moscow BMR, 1 May 1923; NCWC feeding about 10,000 rations in Moscow...Society of Friends are reopening their work among nursing mothers and infant feeding in this district..prices of food stuffs is rising a little each month with the exception of the chief article of diet – the brown bread, that is kept to about the same level, around two or three cents a pound  
 Newsletter article, Orenburg BMR, 1 May 1923 [this might be 1922?]; Mr. Gallagher of Catholic Relief Mission arrived in Orenburg January 29...Government has made arrangements for his reception...Mr. Gallagher is our guest  
 Letter, H.Haskell/ARA/Russia to Edmund Walsh/NCWC, 5 June 1923; documents advice given Walsh on 27 April that ARA is liquidating all operations in Russia and after 30 June no further assistance can be forthcoming from the ARA...if NCWC intends to remain working in Russia it must make agreements with the Soviet Government in its own behalf...after 30 June no further assistance or protection can be afforded to your organization., page 1 of 2  
 Letter, H.Haskell/ARA/Russia to Edmund Walsh/NCWC, 5 June 1923, page 2 of 2  
 Letter, ARA/Haskell to National Catholic Welfare Council/Walsh, 7 Jun 1923;  
 ARA garage and machine shop being turned over to office of Mr. Lander  
 State of Catholic Relief Mission, 16 June 1923, page 1 of 3  
 State of Catholic Relief Mission, 16 June 1923, page 2 of 3  
 State of Catholic Relief Mission, 16 June 1923, page 3 of 3  
 Cablegram, 16 Oct 1923, ARA requesting balance in Catholic Mission account  
 Cablegram, 24 Oct 1923, Catholic Mission requests \$6000 from \$46650 balance in ARA account

**Collection 1; Series XXVIII, Supporting Information**

Box 16, Miscellaneous Materials

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Seven newspaper clippings, (one in German) explaining the relief effort. Includes advertisement requesting funds because "Millions are Starving in Russia.. \$200 will save a family of eight from starving" (several advertisements are large), sheet 5-2

Letter from FA Lorenz, Schreiber and Rev Jacob Wagner, Finanz-Sekretär to 'Dear Brother!', (German) explaining relationship and purpose of the American Relief Association and the Central States Volga Relief Society, 12 September 1921

Letter to Dr. HP Wekesser from Henry Loeb sack explaining no one from Grand Island (Nebraska) will be able to attend the planned 6 November meeting, 7 Nov 1921

Program: Volga Relief Society Convention, (no date, possibly 1924) Program for American Volga Relief Society in the Ebenezer Kongregational Kirch, Portland Oregon, sheet 1

Program: Volga Relief Society Convention, (no date, possibly 1924) Program for American Volga Relief Society in the Ebenezer Kongregational Kirch, Portland Oregon, sheet 2

Program: Volga Relief Society Convention, 23-27 June 1926, Lincoln & Sutton Nebraska, sheet 1

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Photo, H.P. Stein, Jr., Volga Relief Society President, 1926

Volga Relief Society Membership cards (blank), original

Volga Relief Society Membership cards (blank), copy

Newspaper article, (no date): Many Friend People Attend Balzer Reunion

Letter to Mrs. Henry Stehr, Lincoln Nebraska from HJ Amen acknowledging contribution of 13 pounds of clothing, 18 Dec 1923

Letter to American Volga Relief from Tho Strobel, 2 June 1924 (German)

American Relief Administration Russian Food Remittance (copies of) receipts # 203593, 16086, 10427 including forms completed in Russia (Original in possession of Albert Mai of WaKeeney Kansas. Copy provided by Brent Alan Mai of Sharon Springs Kansas: page 1

American Relief Administration Russian Food Remittance (copy, page 2)

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Map (copy) of Russia as it was during the Volga Relief 1923 period. Sent to AHSGR by Mrs. Peter Roth (Bertha Deis)

Newspaper articles: Jacob Volz Returns from Russian Trip; Checks Up on Russian Relief Work (refers to Rev. R. Birk)-Sutton News; Carload of Goods for Volga Relief – State Journal; \$285 received from Lodi , California, for famine relief- Sutton News

Newspaper article: Die Welt-Post, 14 February 1946 “Planderei von Jacob Volz”

Complete financial statement of Volga Relief Society, 10 March 1922 (page 1 of 2)

Complete financial statement of Volga Relief Society, 10 March 1922 (page 1 of 2)

Letter from John W. Miller: 3 January 1922, with copies of letters from George Repp dated 21 and 25 November 1921 (page 1 of 4)

Letter from John W. Miller: 3 January 1922, with copies of letters from George Repp dated 21 and 25 November 1921 (page 2 of 4)

Letter from John W. Miller: 3 January 1922, with copies of letters from George Repp dated 21 and 25 November 1921 (page 3 of 4)

Letter from John W. Miller: 3 January 1922, with copies of letters from George Repp dated 21 and 25 November 1921 (page 4 of 4)

Membership form for American Volga Relief Society 1925, with photos of officers

Instruction form for providing food for persons in Russia: food to be delivered to Jegor Patrasvitsh (?) Roth in Karamish, Saratov.

Postcard receipt of the food received by Jedor Roth. Donated by Mrs. Bertha (Dies) Roth, Denver Colorado (papers were mailed by Peter Roth (her husband) to his brother George in 1922) [see front and back]

Newspaper article: Die Welt Post (1950?) Zu tode von Pater Jacob Volz, York Nebr, front side; back side (German) “Senate Accepts.....)

Newspaper article: Die Welt Post, Feb 1924, Jacob Volz Edte (German)

Form for Instructions for Providing Clothing for Persons in Russia (blank) (front and back)

Newspaper Article, Lincoln Sunday Star, 26 February 1922 “Workers in Central States Volga Relief Campaign in Lincoln”

Program of American Volga Relief Society Convention, 23-27 June 1926, Lincoln and Sutton Nebraska (five copies)

Program of American Volga Relief Society IV Convention, 30 Sept-4 Oct 1925 in Fresno California (copy belonged to Amalia Wekesser)

Program of American Volga Relief Society IV Convention, 30 Sept-4 Oct 1925 in Fresno California, sheet 1 of 15

Program of American Volga Relief Society IV Convention, 30 Sept-4 Oct 1925 in Fresno California, sheet 2 of 15

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Program of American Volga Relief Society IV Convention, 30 Sept-4 Oct 1925 in Fresno California, sheet 12 of 15

Program of American Volga Relief Society IV Convention, 30 Sept-4 Oct 1925 in Fresno California, sheet 13 of 15

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Program of American Volga Relief Society IV Convention, 30 Sept-4 Oct 1925 in Fresno California, sheet 15 of 15

## Collection 2 – Volga Relief Society Records

**Collection 2; Series I: Correspondence, from CVRS/AVRS. Series contains letters primarily from President Dr. HP Wekesser (1921 through December 1922 until his death 15 December 1922) to various correspondents, arranged chronologically. HJ. Amen assumed role of President in 1923.**

### **Subseries A: No Date**

Box 1, Folder 1, No date

1. From Dr. Henry P. Wekesser. Second page of letter regarding the possibility of the American Relief Administration terminating support for adults by September 15 (no year indicated). Dr. Wekesser is encouraging the recipient(s) of this letter to continue to send help to Russia before the A. R. A. [American Relief Administration] leaves the region. (First page is missing and addressee is not apparent). No date.
2. To “Reverend”, Omaha, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser, President of the Central States Volga Relief Society. (No name is used and may be a form letter). Letter explaining the endorsements the C. S. V. R. S. has received from various societies and groups to ensure that the organization is legitimate. The letter is requesting that the “enclosed letters” be read to the congregation and any announcements be made. The “enclosed letters” are not included. No date. (2 sheets, 1 is a draft of the letter).
3. Letter announcing the formation of the American Volga Relief Society and encouraging communities and groups to form branch societies. No date. (4 pages).
4. From H. P. Wekesser. Report regarding monies sent to the American Relief Administration and activities in Lincoln [Nebraska] for the relief effort. In addition a discussion regarding Mr. William T. Cope, representing the American Friends Service Committee (Quakers), and their efforts towards the famine relief. No date. (2 pages).
5. To Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Night letter announcing arrival of Adolph Lebsock in Scottsbluff, Nebraska and requesting that a meeting be set up. No date.
6. To “Gentlemen” from Henry P. Wekesser. Cover letter to newspaper(s) regarding an article that the C.S.V.R.S. would like the newspaper to run October 16 and 23 [no indication of year]. (The article for the newspaper is not included with this letter). No date.
7. Letter on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead with heading “for Kolonie” explaining that representatives of the Volga Relief Society have indicated the need for more help in the villages. It includes questions addressed to “Kolonie” regarding population, widows, orphans, livestock and greatest needs. Letter explains that relatives in America want to help. In addition, letter also explains that the A.R.A. has completed their work and representatives of the C.S.V.R.S. have all returned to America. No date.
8. Letter regarding the distribution of funds by the American Relief Society that were provided by the Volga Relief Society. Includes a handwritten notation referring to a letter by Mr. Page on March 20<sup>th</sup> explaining that the \$100,000 noted in his letter was sent to the A.R.A. and credited to the C.S.V.R.S. Letter does not include addressee or author. No date.
9. Blank form letter acknowledging receipt of funds on Central States Volga Relief Society letterhead. No date.

10. From Henry P. Wekesser. Second page of 2 page letter discussing fund raising efforts in Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter indicates that Rev. Wagner and Mr. Repp have reported indescribable conditions in Russia and that Rev. Wagner sent about 30 letters to be distributed. Letter includes report that a draft for \$10,000 was sent to the A.R.A. A note to Mr. Urbach is written on the bottom of letter. First page of letter is not included. No date.
11. To Mr. Frank C. Page, American Relief Administration, New York, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Letter introducing Mr. Jacob Volz of York, Nebraska as elected representative to Russia. No date.

**Collection 2: Series I**

**Sub-series A: January 1921 – December 1921**

Box 1, Folder 2

1. To Hon. C. F. Reavis, Congressman First District Nebraska, Washington D. C. from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that the Congressman make an appointment with Secretary Hoover for him and J. J. Stroh. 23 Aug. 1921.
2. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from C. F. Reavis, House of Representatives, Washington D. C. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser of arrangements for meeting with Mr. Hoover. 25 Aug. 1921.
3. To Mr. Lorenz from H. P. Wekesser, M. D. Letter giving suggestions and direction for wording and information about the business men's meeting to be included in the paper the following week. 27 August 1921.
4. To Mr. Don Enfield, c/o C. F. Reavis, House Office Building, Washington D. C. from H. P. Wekesser informing him of the results of meetings in Washington D. C. and about the organization of the Central States Volga Relief Society in Lincoln, NE. 7 Sept. 1921.
5. To Mr. Edgar Rickard, A.R.A., New York, NY from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Night Letter informing of organization of a permanent organization – Central States Volga Relief Society, funds received, and slate of officers. 11 Sept. 1921.
6. To Jacob J. Lebsock, Lincoln, Nebr from Adam Eckhardt, Scottsbluff, Nebr. Telegram informing of large meeting and invitation to speak to group. 14 Sept. 1921.
7. To H. P. Wekesser from John Heinz, Sutton, Nebraska. Handwritten letter informing Wekesser that several meetings had been held in the area, but an organization had not been formed. 14 Sept. 1921. (2 pages).
8. To Mr. Gottlieb Eberspascher, Milford, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser, President, Central States Volga Relief Society. Letter informing of the formation of Society of the Central States and indicates that he and Mr. Stroh have information regarding the best way to get supplies to Russia. 15 September, 1921.
9. To Adam Eckhardt, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Night letter informing of arrival of Mr. Lebsock and requesting that a mass meeting be arranged. 16 Sept. 1921.
10. To Henry Kisler, Weatherford, Oklahoma from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Night letter informing of arrival of Henry Amen and requesting that a mass meeting be arranged. 16 Sept. 1921.
11. To Mr. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser, President Central States Volga Relief Society. Letter thanking him for his interest in the work of the C.S.V.R.S., and encouraging him to set up an organizational meeting in York. Letter indicates that a report by Mr. Stroh and Wekesser on their visit back east is enclosed. (Report is not included). 16 September 1921.



12. To Reverend Jacob Wagner, c/o Henry Amen, Loveland, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Night letter informing of meeting in Scottsbluff and requesting that he go to Kimbal, Nebraska. 16 September, 1921.
13. To Mr. Peter George, McCracken, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser, President C.S.V.R.S. Letter encouraging the people in McCracken to have mass meeting to raise funds for relief efforts. The letter also explains the formation of the C.S.V.R.S. organization, and encourages the group to send representatives to the Society meetings. 17 Sept. 1921.
14. To Mr. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from [H. P. Wekesser], President Central States Volga Relief Society. Letter thanking him for the contribution and explaining that the organization (C.S.V.R.S.) is set up to include branches. He encourages Mr. Volz to organize a branch in his area (York, Nebraska). 21 September 1921.
15. To Mr. John Sauer, Weatherford, Oklahoma from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing thanks for their work and support. 21 Sept. 1921.
16. To Mr. Alex Metzger, St. Paul, Minn. from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing him of the information in the *Welt-Post* regarding the work of the Central States Volga Relief Society and encouraging him to get the word to others regarding the C.S.V.R.S. work. 23 Sept. 1921.
17. To Edgar Rickard, American Relief Administration, New York, NY from Henry P. Wekesser. Night letter requesting directions for selection of representative to work with the A.R.A. and informing of cash collected as well as number of individuals involved. 28 Sept. 1921.
18. To Edgar Rickard, American Relief Administration, New York, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Night letter expressing concerns that Portland (Oregon) was given permission to select representative and not the C.S.V.R.S. 29 Sept. 1921.
19. To Reverend O. K. Hensel, Sterling, Colorado from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the activities that led up to formation of the Central States Volga Relief Society and inviting the people in Sterling to get involved. 30 Sept. 1921. (2 pages).
20. To Dr. Henry Wekesser from Edgar Rickard. Press Telegram explaining decisions of the American Relief Administration and encouraging cooperation with those decisions. 1 Oct. 1921.
21. Correspondence between H. P. Wekesser and O. Hensel.  
**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from O. Hensel, Sterling, Colorado. Letter explaining activities of the group in Sterling and expressing concern regarding misunderstanding of the roles of the Central States Volga Relief Society and that of Portland. Letter lists officers of the Sterling Relief Society: Rev. F. Bunge – Chairman; Rev. O. K. Hensel, Sec’y; Geo. Jacob Fritzler, Treasurer. 3 Oct. 1921.  
**Letter 2:** Letter responding to Reverend O. K. Hensel, Sterling, Colorado from Dr. H. P. Wekesser explaining the activities of the organization and the need for harmony with other organized groups. Written in response to Hensel’s letter of 3 Oct 1921. 5 Oct. 1921.
22. Correspondence between H. P. Wekesser and Miss Amelia Schwartz.  
**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Miss Amelia Schwartz, Russell, Kansas. Handwritten note with donation of \$25.00 for village of Hussenbach. Oct. 1921  
**Letter 2:** Letter responding to Miss Amelia Schwartz, Russell, Kansas from Dr. H. P. Wekesser thanking Miss Schwartz for the donation from her father and asking that her father consider organizing a branch of the C.S.V.R.S. in the area. 4 Oct. 1921.

23. To Rev. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the various activities and procedures regarding collection and reporting of funds received from the various areas. 5 Oct. 1921. (2 pages).
24. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from C. F. Reavis, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. Letter informing of plans to visit Mr. Hoover regarding the comments and issues expressed by Dr. Wekesser. 7 Oct. 1921.
25. Correspondence between H. P. Wekesser, C. F. Reavis, and Christian A. Herter.  
**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from C. F. Reavis. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser about the decision of the American Relief Administration that the representative from Portland should represent both groups. 12 Oct. 1921.  
**Letter 2:** Letter from Christian A. Herter, Assist. Director of American Relief Administration to Hon. C. Frank Reavis, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. explaining the communications the A.R.A. has had with the various groups and stating their reasons for promoting the concept of one representative to work with Colonel Haskell in Russia. 10 Oct. 1921. (3 pages).
26. To Honorable C. F. Reavis, Washington, D. C. from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter addressing comments from Reavis regarding the meetings Wekesser and Stroh attended in Washington D.C. and explaining actions resulting from the meetings. 15 Oct 1921. (2 pages).
27. From Henry P. Wekesser. Letter discussing two (2) telegrams (not attached to letter) regarding the set up of warehouses in Samara and Saratov to receive donated items and encouraging [chapters] to speed up the collection of funds. 18 October 1921.
28. To Mrs. Al Reiman, Hillside, New Jersey from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mrs. Reiman (his niece) of his travel plans and possible arrangements for meetings. 19 Oct. 1921.
29. To Mr. B. Ostermiller, Newark, New Jersey from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Ostermiller of travel plans and his contact with his niece, Mr. Al Reiman. 19 Oct. 1921.
30. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from A. Lorenz. Western Union Telegram sent to Philadelphia, PA from Marion, Kansas. Request for letter of recommendation to Hoover or Rickard to facilitate receipt of railroad pass. 28 Oct. 1921.
31. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from *Lincoln Freie Presse*. Half page letter on *Lincoln Freie Presse* letterhead indicating that a check for \$5.00 sent by L. Stange, Meherrin, Va. is enclosed with note and requesting that a receipt be sent to Mr. Stange. 29 October, 1921.
32. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from F. A. Lorenz. Western Union Telegram informing of mass meeting at Strasburg and inquiring about Schleuning. 31 Oct. 1921.
33. From H. P. Wekesser to American Relief Administration, New York, N.Y. Night Letter informing that he has not received instructions concerning qualifications of representatives or blank food drafts. Informs of plans to send Reverend Schleuning. 2 Nov. 1921.
34. From H. P. Wekesser to American Relief Administration. Night Letter informing that letter was received and requesting 2,000 blank food drafts and applications. 3 Nov. 1921.
35. From Henry P. Wekesser. Letter announcing that the C.S.V.R.S. was granted permission from A.R.A. to send representative to the German Colonies and the specifics regarding expenses for representative and encouragement for branches of C.S.V.R.S. to send a representative to meeting to select the representative to the Colonies. 3 November 1921.

36. From H. P. Wekesser. Letter regarding selection of a representative to work in the states and in Russia on behalf of the C.S.V.R.S. 3 November 1921.
37. To H. P. Wekesser, M. D. from F. A. Lorenz, Marion, Kansas. Letter reporting on fund-raising activities in Kansas, and plans for visiting various communities. In addition, letter includes an inquiry regarding the status of selecting a man to serve as representative to Russia and endorsement of Mr. Jacob Volz. Handwritten note on back of paper that Volz is willing to go to Lincoln to visit with directors. 7 Nov. 1921. (2 pages).
38. To Mr. F. A. Lorenz, Marion, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Lorenz of the status of food drafts and an update on the clothing situation. Dr. Wekesser expresses concerns that the National Lutheran Council has indicated that monies from the Central States Volga Relief Society will be combined with their own. 7 November 1921. (2 pages).
39. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from F. A. Lorenz. Letter on *Die Welt Post* letterhead from Lehigh, Kansas giving names of officers from Marion, Lehigh, and Durham, Kansas. Names of officers include: Marion, Kansas – George Stenzel, President, John Ehrlich, Vice President, J. J. Propp, Treasurer, Claus Neve, Secretary; Lehigh, Kansas – Henry Haas, Pres., George Oblaender, Vice Pres., Gottfried Wasemiller, Treas., Gottfried Schulz, Sec.; Durham, Kansas – John Frick, Pres., Mr. Helmer, Vice Pres., Conrad Heinrich, Treas., Mr. Adam Yauk, Sec. Letter also states that societies will be formed in Tampa, Ramona, and Herington, Kansas, and requests that a letter be sent regarding the work of the society addressed to Conrad Reisig in Herington. 14 November 1921.
40. To Mr. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining that the selection committee had elected Rev. Ballensky as their representative to Russia. The letter also inquires about Mr. Volz's qualifications to be the representative and whether he would require reimbursement for his expenses since they have a representative. 15 November 1921.
41. To Mr. Edgar Rickard, Director American Relief Administration, New York, N. Y. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of enclosure of draft of \$7,000 and list of colonies to receive money. Also discusses the intent to work with the Portland group, and introduces Reverend J. J. Ballensky as representative. 15 Nov. 1921. (2 pages).
42. From H. P. Wekesser announcing the selection of Rev. J. J. Ballensky of Lincoln (Nebraska) as the representative to Russia. Letter includes an update on the activities of the C.S.V.R.S. and A.R.A. 19 November 1921.
43. To Mr. George Stenzel, Marion, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Letter welcoming Mr Stenzel and community of Marion to the relief efforts and enclosing bulletins [not included here] regarding the relief efforts. 21 November, 1921.
44. Article for Lincoln Newspapers explaining the position of the society in regard to other organizations and announcing that the society will pay expenses of their representative, Reverend Ballensky to represent them in Russia. 26 November 1921.
45. Correspondence between Jacob Volz, H. P. Wekesser, and J. J. Ballensky.  
**Letter 1:** To Mr. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that the representatives who selected Rev. Ballensky as the representative to Russia meet to reconsider their selection. 8 December 1921.  
**Letter 2:** From J. J. Ballensky. Handwritten note from J.J. Ballensky inquiring whether the officers of C.S.V.R.S. support the man (Ballensky) selected by the committee to represent the society in Russia and asking that the matter be considered. No date.

46. From H. P. Wekesser. Letter announcing the arrival of Mr. William Hill from Walter [Russia] and Mr. Frantz Horst from Kolb, [Russia] in Lincoln and encouraging that meetings of the C.S.V.R.S. chapters be held to hear the speakers. 20 December 1921.
47. To Mr. Edgar Rickard, Director of American Relief Administration answering letter from Frank S. Page, Assistant Secretary American Relief Administration, whose letter inquired about selection of a representative to go to Russia. Dr. Wekesser explains that the C.S.V.R.S. originally selected Rev. Ballensky and has now changed their decision and wish to send Rev. Jacob Wagner. 22 December 1921. (2 pages containing copy of letter from A.R.A. and letter from Dr. Wekesser).
48. To Mr. Edgar Rickard, American Relief Administration, New York, NY from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Telegram inquiring whether Reverend Wagner is acceptable. 30 Dec. 1921.
49. To Mr. Edgar Rickard, American Relief Administration, New York, NY. from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Telegram requesting response to notice regarding Reverend Wagner. 31 Dec. 1921.

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### **Subseries B: January – December 1922**

Box 1, Folder 1, January – February 1922

1. From President Central States Volga Relief Society. Report of Activities of Central States Volga Relief Society. 2 page typed report on various communities and individuals involved in relief efforts. Document has editorial corrections and is not signed and has no apparent date. No date. (2 pages).
2. To Honorable S. R. McKelvie, State House, Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter regarding the background of the Central States Volga Relief Society, the selection of Rev. Jacob Wagner as the representative to Russia, and concerns regarding details of Rev. Wagner's application and receipt of citizenship in America. 4 January 1922. (2 pages).
3. To "Sir" from Jacob Bender, Sutton, Nebraska. Postcard requesting that food drafts be sent. 11 January 1922. (Postcard – front and back).
4. To Honorable S. R. McKelvie, State House, Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of the acceptance of Rev. Wagner by the A.R.A. and expresses thanks for letter of support. 14 Jan. 1922.
5. To Rev. Jacob J. Wagner, New York City, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of plans to get decision from Rev. Wagner's congregation regarding his trip to Russia and encouraging him to continue on the trip. 14 January 1922.
6. To Central States Volga Relief Society from Robert Klein, Alexander Brown, Andreas Kaltenberger [sp], and C. L. Bauer. Letter requesting that a Junior Division be formed for youth to work with the C.S.V.R.S. in relief efforts. Outlines general idea of the structure of the Junior Division. 15 January 1922. (2 pages).
7. To Dr. Henry Wekesser from Cox, Ass't Cashier, American State Bank, York, Nebraska. Letter requesting information on food drafts. 16 January, 1922.
8. To Frank C. Page, American Relief Administration, New York City, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Night letter inquiring whether Rev. Wagner sailed and requesting information regarding food and clothing shipments. 18 January 1922.
9. Correspondence including 3 letters between Frank H. Woods, President Lincoln Telephone Co, Lincoln, Nebraska and H. P. Wekesser.

- Letter 1:** Request for donation of telephone services for Mrs. Wagner (wife of Jacob Wagner). 26 January 1922.
- Letter 2:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Frank Woods. Letter explaining that utility companies are not allowed by law to donate services and therefore unable to provide free services for Mrs. Wagner. Letter also indicates that he is giving a \$15.00 donation towards the telephone service for Mrs. Wagner. 27 January 1922.
- Letter 3:** To Frank Woods, President, Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of personal donation for phone services for Mrs. Wagner and explaining that the phone had been installed. 9 February 1922.
10. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, New York City, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting information on possibility of sending farming equipment for the famine area. Also requests that reports from colonies answering questionnaire from Mr. Stroh regarding number of deaths, illnesses, etc. be sent to the C.S.V.R.S. 26 January 1922. (2 pages).
  11. From H. P. Wekesser. Letter announcing the departure of Rev. Wagner for Russia on January 17, 1922 and expresses support for Rev. Wagner. It provides information regarding procedures for sending clothing, money, food drafts and parcels to Russia in conjunction with the American Relief Society (as outlined in letter to *Kirchenbote*). Letter also indicates that Rev. G. J. Schmidt has been elected as financial secretary. No apparent addressee. Correspondence indicates enclosures of copies of letters and telegrams, includes a brief biography of Rev. Wagner and letter to "*Kirchenbote*" and telegram from American Relief Administration. 26 January 1922. (3 pages typed copy and 3 page draft copy).
  12. To Rev. J. Schleuning, Sterling, Colo from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that Rev. Schleuning meet with the board of directors to report on work. 27 January 1922.
  13. To Rev. Felix Lorenz, Topeka, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Letter asking for leadership in organizing a campaign to raise funds and materials in Colorado and Kansas. 1 February 1922.
  14. From H. P. Wekesser. Letter on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead explaining the formation of the Central States Volga Relief Society and its activities. Dr. Wekesser addresses the statements made by President Harding suggesting that the famine in Russia may be propaganda and assures readers that relatives in Russia have reported adverse conditions. 2 February 1922. (3 pages - Original and draft on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead and 1 typewritten letter).
  15. To "Reverend" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of plans to hold a fund-raising drive in Lincoln and letter to be sent to other communities. Plans for articles in newspapers is discussed. 3 February 1922.
  16. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Felix A. Lorenz, Kansas Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, Topeka, Kansas. Letter thanking Dr. Wekesser for the confidence and request for help. Expresses personal interest in the relief work and regrets that he cannot devote the time required. 7 February 1922.
  17. Correspondence between Mr. Risser, H.P. Wekesser, and Gov. McKelvie.
 

**Letter 1:** To Mr. A. A. Risser, Wisner, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter referred by Gov. McKelvie in answer to Risser's letter dated Feb 6, 1922. Explains that corn and other food products are prepared and shipped via the American Friends Service Committee of Philadelphia. Encourages Risser and community to donate corn for the relief efforts. 9 Feb 1922.

- Letter 2:** To Gov. McKelvie, Lincoln, Nebraska from A. A. Risser, Wisner, Nebraska requesting information regarding reduced transportation rates for donated food products for relief efforts. 6 Feb. 1922.
- Letter 3:** To Honorable S. R. McKelvie, State House, Lincoln, Nebraska informing him that he (Dr. Wekesser) had sent a response to letter from A. A. Risner dated 6 Feb. 1922. 9 February 1922.
18. To J. C. Seacrest, State Journal, Lincoln, NE from H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing gratitude for full page article in Sunday issue of the "*State Journal*" and interest in the relief efforts. 9 Feb. 1922.
  19. To Herbert Gooch, President, Star Publishing Co., Lincoln, NE from H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing gratitude for full page article in Sunday issue of the "*Star*" and interest in the relief efforts. 9 Feb. 1922.
  20. Correspondence between M. E. Morrison and Wekesser.
 

**Letter 1:** To M. E. Morrison, Hotel Fontonelle, Omaha, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting a contribution for the relief efforts. 13 February 1922.

**Letter 2:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from M. E. Morrison, Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, Nebraska. Letter acknowledging request for donation and inquiry for suggested amount of donation. 15 February 1922.

**Letter 3:** To M. E. Morrison, Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser suggesting a contribution of \$50.00. 17 February 1922.

**Letter 4:** To M. E. Morrison, Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, Nebraska expressing gratitude for \$50.00 contribution. 22 February 1922.
  21. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, New York City, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of fund drives and other activities of the society. Explains plans to work with the Quakers to send grain and clothing. 14 February 1922. (2 pages).
  22. Correspondence between Reavis and Wekesser.
 

**Letter 1:** To Honorable C. F. Reavis, Washington D.C from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the impact the relief work of both the society and the American Relief Administration under the direction of Mr. Hoover has had on the famine victims in Russia and the positive relationship between the two organizations. 14 February 1922. (2 pages).

**Letter 2:** To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from C. F. Reavis, House of Representatives, Washington D. C. Letter responding to Wekesser's letter dated February 14, 1922 advising that he shares the confidence in Mr. Hoover. 20 Feb. 1922.
  23. To "Whom It May Concern" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter authorizing Mr. J. J. Spomer to solicit funds for the C.S.V.R.S. Page 2 (on back of letter) authorization for Mr. Conrad Pabst to solicit funds for the C.S.V.R.S. 17 February 1922. (2 pages).
  24. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from G. W. Norris, United States Senate, Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. Letter acknowledging receipt of letter dated 14 February 1922 and expressing concern about difficulties in regard to relief efforts. 18 February 1922.
  25. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from L. J. Willis [sp], Secretary, United States Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. Letter indicating receipt of letter regarding Mr. Hoover and the C.S.V.R.S. and forwarded to Senator Hitchcock. 18 February 1922.
  26. Correspondence between F. C. Lorenz, Adam Spahn, and H. P. Wekesser.
 

**Letter 1:** To F. C. Lorenz from Adam Spahn, Tampa, Kansas. Letter informing that money had been sent to John Miller, Portland, Oregon. 20 February 1922.

- Letter 2:** To Adam Spahn, Tampa, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Letter indicating that Gottfried Socolovsky in Tampa has information regarding the society activities and explaining that John Miller from Portland is not connected with the society. 23 February 1922.
27. To August Brauer, General Manager, *Lincoln Freie Press*, Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing thanks for the space dedicated to the work of the C.S.V.R.S. in the last issue. 22 Feb. 1922.
28. Correspondence between H. P. Wekesser and H. P. Lorenz.  
**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from H. P. Lorenz, Wakeeney, Kansas. Letter following up on phone call regarding activities of drives in the Topeka area. 22 February 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To H. P. Lorenz, Topeka, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Acknowledgment of letter sent by Lorenz dated February 22, 1922. Informs of drive by Hastings group. 28 Feb. 1922.
29. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, New York City, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that reports and communication be sent to Dr. Wekesser and not directly to the papers. Indicates that Rev. Wagner can send any correspondence from families in the famine area who wish to communicate with families in America and he will forward to them. 23 February 1922. (2 pages).
30. To Mr. August Bissemeier, Sterling, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of \$170.30 donation and explaining that it will be sent to the famine area. 24 February 1922.
31. Correspondence between K. K. Meier and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To K. K. Meier, Warrenton, Mo. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining that the society is working under the American Relief Administration and funds can only be accepted for general fund. Letter encourages formation of chapters to accomplish mission. (Response to letter from K. K. Meier dated February 21, 1922. 28 February 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To Central States Volga Relief Society from K. K. Meier, Warrenton, Mo. Letter handwritten in German. 21 February 1922. (2 pages).

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Box 1, Folder 2, March – April, 1922

32. To Mrs. H. J. Amen, President, Women's Auxilliary to C.S.V.R.S. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing gratitude to the ladies for their aid in relief work. 6 March 1922.
33. To M. C. Lefler, Sup't of Schools of Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing gratitude to Mr. Lefler and the teachers for fund-raising efforts on behalf of the relief effort. 8 March 1922.
34. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from H. P. Lorenz, Topeka, Kansas. Letter on Kansas Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, Topeka, Kansas letterhead stating that he will continue to raise funds for the relief effort. 8 March 1922.
35. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, London, England from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of receipt of letters from Rev. Wagner and 30 letters from villagers, and plans to send draft for \$10,000.00 to American Relief Administration. Addresses concerns regarding limitations of work to Saratov Province, and suggesting that Rev. Wagner write to his family and submit reports to C.S.V.R.S. and his congregation. Letter asks that people write to relatives in America that they have received food drafts. 14 March 1922. (2 pages).

36. To "Dear Friend" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter typed on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead entitled "Keep the Kitchens Open" discussing the need to continue relief efforts in conjunction with the American Relief Administration. Letter mentions enclosure from Rev. Wagner which is not included. 16 March 1922. (2 pages).
37. To Mr. H. J. Amen, Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Amen of his appointment as a member of the executive committee. 17 March 1922.
38. To John Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Rohrig of his appointment to serve on executive committee of C.S.V.R.S. 17 March 1922.
39. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter asking Dr. Wekesser to come to Denver to assist with putting on a clothing drive and opportunity to meet with influential men who could assist the relief efforts. Author of the letter informs that he has a new position and cannot be actively involved. 20 March 1922.
40. To Rev. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Letter informing of plans for H. J. Amen and Jacob Klein arrival in Scottsbluff and requesting that a meeting be held for them to explain the work of the Society. 23 March 1922.
41. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Amen, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Telegram informing of successful meetings in Alliance and Scottsbluff. 27 March 1922.
42. Correspondence between George Derr and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Mr. George Derr, Morrill, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter responding to Mr. Derr's letter dated 24 March 1922 (handwritten in German) regarding the board of director's policy on providing letters of endorsements and encouraging Mr. Derr to consider forming a society in his area for the purpose of collecting donations and clothing. 30 March 1922.  
**Letter 2:** From George Derr, Morrill, Nebraska. Letter handwritten in German. 24 March 1922.
43. To Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Letter of thanks for the reception for Klein and Amen. 30 March 1922.
44. To Rev. Gustave Enes, Moundridge, Kansas. Letter informing Rev. Enes that the letter and enclosures (not specified) had been received and forwarded to Rev. Wagner for distribution in Russia. 31 March 1922.
45. To Rev. Jacob Wagner. Letter acknowledging receipt of six point letter and inquiring whether letters are being received. Letter states that interest in relief efforts is growing. 31 March 1922. (2 pages).
46. Form letter from Central States Volga Relief Society with donation form. April 1922.
47. To Dr. Harold Gifford; Mr. Thomas Dyrne, President Byrne-Hammer Company; Rev. E. H. Janke, Pastor First Presbyterian; Rev. Clyde C. Ciffel [Cissel]; Rev. C. E. Coffey, Pastor First Christian Church; Mr. Peter Jensen; William H. Schmaller; Pres. Schmaller & Mueller Piano Co. from Mr. John Rohrig, Manager of Drive, Lincoln, Nebraska. Form letter (with corrections) and donation form explaining the establishment of the Central States Volga Relief Society and their relief efforts and that of the American Relief Administration. Letter includes announcement that the Society has provided over \$100,000 for relief efforts. Includes handwritten notation of list of names: Mr. Thomas Byrne, Rev. Jenks, Dr. Clyde C. Ciffell, and Mr. Peter Jensen and return form for donation. April 1922. (4 pages - 1 typed form letter, 1 2-page draft, 1 typed copy).
48. To *Lincoln Freie Presse*, Lincoln, NE from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of letter and donations from C. R. Bartsch, Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Mathilde Kackel, Eckridge, Kansas. 3 April 1922.



49. To Rev. Pfenning, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the reasons for choosing to work with the American Relief Administration and states that information is included with the letter. 3 April 1922.
50. To Mr. Ostertag, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the reasons for working with the A.R.A. 3 April 1922.
51. To Rev. Birk, Sutton, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter encouraging Rev. Birk to consider raising funds for the Odessa area and contacting the A.R.A. for support for that area. 3 April 1922.
52. To Judge W. E. Stewart, Lincoln, NE from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of donation and information regarding receipt of 14 letters from famine district asking for assistance. 4 April 1922.
53. To Reverend from Henry P. Wekesser, President. Letter informing of plans to hold a drive for funds in Omaha and that some articles will appear in the Sunday papers. Letter mentions various organizations that have endorsed the efforts of the Central States Volga Relief Society in order to confirm that the society and its efforts are legitimate and requests that the Reverend make announcements to his congregation. 4 April 1922.
54. Correspondence between Rev. J. Rothenberger and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter responding to Rev. Rothenberger's letter typed in German dated March 4, 1922 and informing him about procedures to establish a branch of the Central States Volga Relief Society in Scottsbluff. 6 April 1922. (3 pages).  
**Letter 2:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Letter typed in German that includes several questions. 4 March 1922.
55. To Jacob Bender, Sutton, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter responding to Mr. Bender's letter and discussing the reports of relief from Russia. Letter also discusses plans for a drive in Omaha and requesting that Mr. Bender contact large implement dealers in the area to join the cause. 7 April 1922.
56. To Rev. Henry Lorenz, Topeka, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Acknowledgement of receipt of money in amount of \$31.20 and informing Rev. Lorenz that a check in amount of \$107.10 is being sent to him. 10 April 1922.
57. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter reporting disappointment in success of fund-raising efforts and frustration that suffering in Russia continues. Requests that Rev. Wagner send frequent reports of work. 15 April 1922. (2 pages).
58. Correspondence between H. P. Wekesser and William T. Cope.  
**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Mr. William T. Cope, Westchester, PA. Handwritten letter apologizing for the delay in writing due to family quarantine and discussing Willard C. Blackburn's trip to Nebraska and several lists and letters received through the Friends Service Committee that should have been sent with Mr. Blackburn. Letter informs Dr. Wekesser that the lists and letters are being sent with this letter. (Lists and letters are not included here). 16 April 1922. (2 pages).  
**Letter 2:** To Mr. Wm. T. Cope, West Chester, PA from H. P. Wekesser. Letter responding to Mr. Cope's letter of April 16, 1922 and discussing the possibility of an end to the famine in Russia. 19 April 1922.
59. To Mr. Jacob Bender, Omaha, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Bender that Mr. Hoover, Col. Haskell, and Governor Goodrich have indicated that the famine in Russia is over. Letter suggests that Mr. Bender and his organization continue with all efforts except the drives in the area. 24 April 1922.

60. To Rev. Jacob Wagner. Letter giving details on fund raising efforts, and reports that supplies should cover existing needs in Russia, and asking for regular reports to share with public. 27 April 1922. (2 pages).
61. From Henry P. Wekesser. Letter informing of plans for use of the funds sent through the A.R.A. and that a draft of \$7,600 had been sent. Letter also mentions reports by Mr. Hoover, Col. Haskell, and former Governor Goodrich that the worst of the famine is over. 29 April 1922.
62. To Mr. Adam Brill, Toledo, Ohio from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Brill that he has received the postal money order for \$5.00 and that the organization has sent a draft in the amount of \$7,600 to the American Relief Administration. Letter also indicates that letters are being received from Russia. 29 April 1922.

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Box 1, Folder 3, May - June, 1922

63. Correspondence between Dave Richard and H. P. Wekesser.
 

**Letter 1:** To Sirs from Dave Richard, Snoqualmie, Washington. Letter informing of a shipment of food and clothing to send to Russia. Letter gives address (written in German) of intended recipient in Russia. Notation on bottom of letter "Refer to warehouses of A.R.A. in Odessa." May 1922.

**Letter 2:** To Mr. Dave Richard, Snoqualmie, Wash. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Richard that the C.S.V.R.S. works only in the Volga region of Russia and in Germany. Letter suggests that Mr. Richard send food drafts through the American Relief Administration for the intended recipient. 8 June 1922.
64. To Dr. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska. Postcard informing of plans to hold a drive in York, [Nebraska] and vicinity and requesting meeting materials. 3 May 1922. (Postcard – front and back).
65. To Mr. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter responding to postcard from Volz and that buttons will be sent for fund-raising. Letter also discusses difficulties regarding transportation of supplies. 3 May 1922.
66. To Jacob Wagner, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of 5 page letter, and asking for individuals in the villages to send letters. 5 May 1922.
67. To Mr. William T. Cope, West Chester, Pa. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter discussing the possible withdrawal of the A.R.A. from Russia in the fall of the year and the continued need for the people in Russia. Letter asks that Mr. Cope explain the situation to his organization. 5 May 1922.
68. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Rev. Wagner of receipt of letters and reports. Dr. Wekesser discusses the issue of hiring a horse and driver and expresses general belief that people in Russia should be willing to assist with those needs. Letter discusses details of working with other organizations. 20 May 1922. (2 pages).
69. To American Relief Administration, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter with \$700 draft for Rev. Wagner expense fund. 22 May 1922.
70. To Dr. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, Sutton, Nebraska. Postcard requesting that Campbell (Nebraska) be added to the list of visits. June 1922. (Postcard front and back).

71. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, C.S.V.R.S. from A. J. R. Bridges, Accountant. Letter acknowledging receipt of draft in amount of \$700.00 and that it was credited to Rev. Jacob Wagner. 3 June 1922.
72. To Jacob Volz. Letter explaining the structure of the organization in the communities, informing Mr. Volz of the plans to ensure clothing distribution in Russia and inquiring whether he would consider accepting a position as a representative to accompany the shipment. 6 June 1922.
73. To J. J. Roth, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter stating that copies of a letter were sent to the *California Post* and to Reverend John Roth of Fresno, California. Dr. Wekesser asks that the letters be shown to Rev. Pfenning. 6 June 1922.
74. To "Friend" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter announcing that the directors had decided to send clothing to Russia, plan to set a period of time for clothing collection, and resolution to form a national organization. Reports on information from A.R.A. on % of food drafts that have been delivered in Russia for months October to February. 8 June 1922. (2 Pages).
75. To Dr. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, Sutton, Nebraska. Postcard informing Dr. Wekesser that the meeting in Sutton was successful and clothing will be packed and ready to be shipped from the area. Postcard also informs of decision to send foodstuffs to Rev. Eichhorn of Messer and the Schoolmeister. 9 June 1922. (Postcard front and back).
76. To *California Post*, Fresno, California from Dr. Wekesser. Letter requesting that space be provided for announcements and articles. Letter informs of activities regarding clothing and food drives. Includes "Very Important Notice Concerning the Sending of Clothing to Russia by the Central States Volga Relief Society." 10 June 1922. (Draft and final copy of letter – 2 pages).
77. Two page document entitled "Very Important Notice Concerning the Sending of Clothing to Russia by the Central States Volga Relief Society," explaining plans for collecting clothing, and providing directions for sending clothing for distribution in Russia. 10 June 1922. (2 pages).
78. To Jacob Wagner, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of letter and poem. Discusses plans to send a second representative, Jacob Volz, and to work with Friends Society to send shipment of clothing to Moscow. 12 June 1922. (2 pages).
79. To Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Volz that he has been selected as a representative to accompany clothing shipments to Russia and take Rev. Wagner's place in Russia. 13 June 1922.
80. To Mrs. Joseph Wittmann, Lincoln, NE from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining that the clothing donation from Mr. David Richard cannot be distributed to area indicated and asking permission to use clothing and funds in area served by the Relief Society. 16 June 1922.
81. Handwritten note (in large lettering) informing that a large shipment will leave Lincoln, [Nebraska] on July 6 accompanied by Mr. Jacob Volz, Representative for C.S.V.R.S. Includes 2 handwritten pages of names of contacts for various communities. 16 June 1922. (4 pages).
82. To Rev. Strohecker, Sutton, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of the selection of Jacob Volz as representative to accompany clothing shipment to Russia and requesting that a meeting be set up in Sutton for Mr. Volz. 16 June 1922.
83. Correspondence between H. P. Wekesser and K. L. Stahl.

- Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from K. L. Stahl, Windsor, Colo. Letter on *Der Kirchenbote* letterhead explaining the process for articles to be published with the Chicago Office and in Windsor. Requests that copies be sent directly to Mr. Stahl to expedite publication. 16 June 1922.
- Letter 2:** To Rev. Karl Stahl, Windsor, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Letter in response to Rev. Stahl's letter dated June 16, 1922 assuring that the suggested process for submitting articles to *Kirchenbote* would be followed. The letter also discusses questions regarding clothing shipments and issues raised by the National Lutheran Council about postage charges. 21 June 1922. (2 pages).
84. To Mr. Frank C. Page, American Relief Administration from H. P. Wekesser. Letter discussing appearance of articles in the *Welt Post* and concerns expressed by the *Dakota Freie Presse* regarding inclusion of articles and distribution of the papers in Russia. 17 June 1922. (2 pages).
85. To Mr. Frank C. Page, American Relief Administration from H. P. Wekesser. Letter discussing the verbal charges that the C.S.V.R.S. is using the situation in Russia to promote their religion and propaganda. Letter mentions Mr. Sinner who is an instructor in Saratov and articles that were published in the *Die Welt Post*. 17 June 1922.
86. From H. P. Wekesser. Letter typed on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead that includes the message from a cablegram from Rev. Wagner, received June 19, 1922. Cablegram states that starvation is under control and need for clothing. Letter indicates that old clothing can be sent and asking that people use markers to mark clothing. [20] June 1922.
87. Correspondence between F. W. Schitzkus and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from F. W. Schitzkus, Sterling, Colorado. Letter inquiring about clothing shipment problems and where shipment can be sent. 19 June 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To Rev. F. W. Schlitzkus from H. P. Wekesser. Letter responding to Rev. Schlitzkus' letter dated June 19, 1922 explaining that only clothing for the Saratov district can be accepted and that used clothing is acceptable. 21 June 1922.
88. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Mrs. Joseph E. K. Wittmann, Nisseva, Minn. Letter on Local Relief Committee for Central Europe letterhead explaining that all items had been turned over to C. J. Schmidt and that she was unaware of A.R.A. activities. 20 June 1922.
89. To John Ehrlich, Marion, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining decision of committee not to purchase clothing in Germany to send on to Russia. 21 June 1922.
90. Correspondence between H. P. Wekesser and Rev. J. Rothenberger.  
**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser that the committee would follow instructions regarding clothing shipment and requesting tags for shipment and further directions. 21 June 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter giving instructions on how to tag clothing bundles, and that the bundles be sent at one time. Letter also explains that the shipping charges cover all costs including those of men accompanying the shipment. 23 June 1922.
91. To Mr. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter responding to postcards and expressing approval of the successful food drive in Sutton, Nebraska as well as the idea of sending food drafts to a schoolmaster and minister

- in Russia. Letter discusses activities regarding articles in newspapers and requests that Volz arrange his own meetings in the east. 21 June 1922.
92. From Dr. Henry P. Wekesser, President. Letter entitled *Important* announces that clothing donations have been arriving and that distribution would be primarily in the Saratov area. Letter also provides information regarding cost of shipping by weight and donations should be sent to Lincoln by July 5. A cablegram from Rev. Wagner that the starvation has stopped is mentioned. 24 June 1922.
  93. From Central States Volga Relief Society. Letter entitled *Shipment of Clothing by Central States Volga Relief Society* states that bundles of clothing are arriving and that donors can send clothing directly to their relatives. Letter also provides addresses where the clothing can be sent. 24 June 1922.
  94. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Mr. B. G. Ostermiller, President Hilfs-Verein der Wolga-Deutschen, Newark, N. J. Letter informing of receipt of application blanks and inquiring whether people can send clothing to friends and relatives. 26 June 1922.
  95. Correspondence between John Gossmann and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To John Gossmann, Lemmon, South Dakota from H. P. Wekesser. Response to letter from John Grossman dated June 25, 1922, explaining that the C.S.V.R.S. can only accept clothing for distribution in Saratov District, and suggesting ideas for getting money or food drafts to relatives who are not in the district. 27 June 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To Henry P. Wekesser from John Gossmann, Lemmon, South Dakota. Letter handwritten in German. 25 June 1922.
  96. To the American Relief Administration, New York City, NY from Henry Wekesser. Night letter inquiring whether Jacob Volz is acceptable as representative and plans to ship clothing to the Quakers in the next week. 27 June 1922.
  97. To Mrs. J. H. Staerkel, Topeka, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Letter regarding shipping clothing and asking that groceries not be sent. 27 June 1922.
  98. To Mr. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Volz that letter regarding Volz's credentials had not been received from the American Relief Administration. 27 June 1922.
  99. From Dr. Henry P. Wekesser. Letter informing that Jacob Volz had been accepted by the A.R. A. and confirming that Volz would assume the position as representative. Letter provides directions on how to pack and mark packages and requests that announcements be made in communities so that the shipment is on time. Letter also includes a copy of the telegram from the American Relief Administration announcing that deliveries had all been made in Russia and death from the famine was over. 28 June 1922.
  100. To J. C. Frank, McCook, Nebraska. Letter expressing thanks from the board of directors for kindnesses extended to Adolph Lebsock during recent tour through Colorado. 28 June 1922.
  101. To Jacob Wagner (name only partially visible) from H. P. Wekesser. Contains information regarding the selection of Jacob Volz as the replacement representative in Russia and that he will accompany large shipment of clothing to Russia. Explains plans for distribution of the clothing in Russia. 30 June 1922.
  102. To B. Ostermiller, Newark, N.J. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining plans to ship clothing and directions regarding preparation of the clothing for shipment and that the shipment would only go to Saratov region. 30 June 1922.
  103. To Rev. Karl Stahl, Windsor, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of the end of famine in Russia and that Mr. Volz would be ready to leave for Russia

with shipment of clothing. Letter also discusses the reasons people support famine efforts. 30 June 1922. (2 pages).

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Box 1, Folder 4, July – August, 1922

104. To Mr. Jacob Roth, Scottsbluff, Nebr. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining that materials will not be sent to his brother Rev. Roth due to negative posts in the California Post. 6 July 1922.
105. Correspondence between Rev. F. Sattler and H. P. Wekesser.

**Letter 1:** To Rev. F. Sattler, McCook, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of letter and donation for clothing distribution. Indicates clothing shipment should weigh about 30,000 pounds. 11 July 1922.

**Letter 2:** To Dr. E. P. Wakesser from F. Sattler, McCook, Nebraska. Letter stating a check is enclosed for \$10.00 for clothing distribution. 10 July 1922.
106. Correspondence between Herbert Hoover, H. P. Wekesser, and Rev. Jacob Wagner.

**Letter 1:** To Hon. Herbert Hoover, Department of Commerce, Washington D.C from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that an unofficial letter be sent to the Soviet Government regarding distribution of a large clothing shipment and that duty taxes not be applied. 11 July 1922.

**Letter 2:** To Rev. Jacob Wagner, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Rev. Wagner that the society is preparing to send about 50,000 pounds of clothing to Russia and requesting that he assist in distribution of the clothing to the intended individuals and also general distribution. Concern is expressed regarding toll charges by the Soviet government. Dr. Wekesser also discusses the involvement of the American Friends Society. 12 July 1922.
107. Letter on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead informing of clothing shipment, the anticipated return of Jacob Wagner and his replacement, Jacob Volz. Includes portion of letter from Mr. Page of the American Relief Administration. 15 July 1922.
108. Letter on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead informing that 2 cars of new clothing left Lincoln, [Nebraska], plans for Jacob Volz to go to Russia, and status of the famine in Russia. 17 July 1922.
109. To American Friends Service Com., Philadelphia, Pa. from Central States Volga Relief Sc. Letter acknowledging that a telegram had been received requesting original Bills of Lading. Explanation regarding local laws and that the forms had been attached. 26 July 1922.
110. To Mr. Frank C. Page, A.R.A., New York, N.Y. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter asking that Mr. Page use his influence to have Mr. Repp meet with the community in Lincoln to provide information regarding the work in Russia. 8 August 1922.
111. To Rev. Karl Stahl, Windsor, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Letter asking that Rev. Stahl and others in Colorado write to Mr. Miller in Portland and the New York Office of the A.R.A. to request that Mr. Repp stop in the Central States and informing Rev. Stahl that the government in Moscow had waived custom taxes on shipments for relief efforts. 12 Aug 1922. (2 pages).
112. From Dr. Henry Wekesser. Letter on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead that includes messages from Arthur T. Dailey from the A.R.A. and Jacob Volz. Letter gives details regarding the possibility of the A.R.A. taking clothing shipment to Saratov, plans for the money collected and travel details for Mr. Repp and Mr. Stroh. 12 August 1922.

113. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of poems by Rev. Wagner and informing Rev. Wagner of the shipment of clothing. Requests information regarding status of the famine and whether the society should continue to solicit donations. Includes 18 stanza poem dated May 1922 written by Pastor Jakob Wagner entitled "*In der A.R.A. Arbeit In Russland.*" 14 August 1922. (4 pages - 1 page letter, 1 page (legal size) poem, 1 copy of poem).
114. To Mr. J. George Meyer, Rocky Ford, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Meyer that the clothing had been shipped and donations would not be accepted unless a new shipment was planned. 19 August 1922.

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Box 1, Folder 5, September - October, 1922

115. Announcement "Mr. George Repp in Lincoln." Report of activities surrounding the arrival of George Repp in Nebraska and schedule of activities in other communities. Sept 1922. (5 pages - 2-page report and 3-page draft).
116. To Friend from H. P. Wekesser. Letter gives information that the shipment of clothing had been sent and plans for Mr. Volz to meet up with the shipment in Petrograd. Discusses the position of the A.R.A. regarding clothing shipments for general distribution only and the status of plans for formation of a national society. 1 Sept. 1922.
117. To Rev. F. Ostertag, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of Rev. Ostertag's letter containing resolutions adopted by the organization in Scottsbluff. 1 Sept. 1922
118. To Jacob Volz, London, England. Letter discussing receipt of letter from Rev. Wagner, possible clothing campaign strategies and funding for Mr. Volz's expenses. 2 Sept. 1922.
119. To Mrs. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining that a check will be sent as soon as possible. 11 Sept. 1922.
120. To Friend. Announcement of meeting in Lincoln Sept. 17 where George Repp plans to speak on recent visit to Volga. 13 Sept. 1922.
121. Correspondence between Robert Klein and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Robert Klein, Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter responding to Mr. Klein's letter dated September 5, 1922, expressing regrets about his current predicament regarding funds raised for relief efforts and suggesting that he work with his father to resolve the matter. 13 Sept. 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To Henry P. Wekesser from Robert Klein, Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter explaining failed efforts to raise funds for relief efforts and asking for assistance from the C.S.V.R.S. to address lost revenue. 5 Sept. 1922. (2 pages).
122. To Mr. John Heins, Sutton, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the agreement with the American Relief Administration and suggesting that the group work with the Central States Volga Relief Society to accomplish the goals. 15 Sept. 1922.
123. Announcement of return of George Repp from Volga region and dates for upcoming meetings. 16 Sept. 1922.
124. To Jacob Volz, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of receipt of cablegrams and letters from aboard ship and London. Inquiry about clothing shipment, arrival of Mr. Repp in Lincoln, and resignation of Mr. Lorenz as secretary of the society. 16 Sept. 1922. (2 pages).

125. To Mrs. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter stating that a check had been sent and that Mr. Volz is on his way to Saratov. 16 Sept. 1922.
126. Communication between H. P. Wekesser and John Sauer.
  - Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from John Sauer, Weatherford, Okla. Western Union Telegram requesting George Repp to visit Zion Church at Weatherford. 17 Sept. 1922.
  - Letter 2:** To John Sauer, Weatherford, Oklahoma from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of itinerary for Mr. Repp and that more scheduled times for visits were not available. 18 Sept. 1922.
127. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Mrs. J. Wagner, Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter thanking the board for supporting her trip to New York and declining the offer. 20 Sept. 1922.
128. To Rev. Karl Stahl, Windsor, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of resignation of Mr. Lorenz as secretary of the C.S.V.R.S. and difficulties experienced regarding publicity for relief efforts. Includes plans for return of Rev. Wagner in October (1922) and receptions for him. 22 Sept. 1922.
129. To Hon. James P. Goodrich, Winchester, Ind. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing gratitude for his personal interest in the people in the famine district. 25 Sept. 1922.
130. Resolution of Gratitude to American Relief Administration by Central States Volga Relief Society signed by Adolph Lebsock, Chairman, John Rohrig, and Henry J. Amen. Document expressing gratitude to the A.R.A. for their work in the famine areas and urging cooperation with the C.S.V.R.S. in the future. 25 Sept. 1922. (2 pages).
131. To Mrs. Jacob Volz, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mrs. Volz that her husband had arrived in Saratov on September 15. 25 Sept. 1922.
132. To Hon. James P. Goodrich, Winchester, Ind. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the formation of the relief societies and enclosing copy of the resolutions adopted by C.S.V.R.S. 26 Sept. 1922.
133. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, New York, NY from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Rev. Wagner of receptions planned for him in New Jersey and Lincoln, Nebraska and requesting that he attempt to learn more from the A.R.A. regarding the policies of what the C.S.V.R.S. can and can not do. 26 Sept. 1922.
134. To H. P. Wekesser from John Lebsock, Treas. Letter (draft) informing of checks sent to Mrs. J. Folz and Volga Deutscher, Verein, Berlin. Questions regarding number of treasurers outside of the general treasurer. 26 Sept. 1922.
135. To Mrs. Jacob Volz, Hastings, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter indicating enclosure of check for \$100.00 and asking for receipt of the check(s). 27 Sept. 1922.
136. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from R. L. Stahl, Windsor, Colo. Letter regarding formation of a national organization and suggestions for monthly dues. 30 September 1922.
137. Abstracts of several bulletins received from A.R.A. and Russia dated September 15–26 (probably 1922) sent out from C.S.V.R.S. Additional information explaining what can be accomplished by the societies. Possibly October 1922. (3 pages).
138. To Henry P. Wekesser from J. Goodrich [?], Winchester, Ind. Draft and/or corrected letter acknowledging receipt of resolution and expresses pleasure working with George Repp. 2 Oct. 1922.
139. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from K. L. Stahl, Windsor, Colo. Letter informing that a mass meeting of area churches was called for October 22 and requests that more information regarding a national organization be sent. 9 October 1922.



140. To "Gentlemen" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter to a newspaper publication regarding an ad and plans to send information for articles. Also explains plans to form a national organization. 11 October 1922.
141. To Rev. Karl Stahl, Windsor, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining issues regarding the resignation of Mr. Lorenz as secretary of the society and information about the meeting for Nov 3-5 to form a national organization. 12 October 1922. (2 pages).
142. To "Gentlemen" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that a circular letter be published regarding a meeting to form a national organization. 13 October 1922.
143. To Hon. J. P. Goodrich, Winchester, Indiana from H. P. Wekesser. Letter inviting Mr. Goodrich to speak at an organizational meeting in Lincoln, Nebraska November 3-5, which includes all of the Volga Relief Societies. Includes a handwritten response from Mr. Goodrich sending regrets. 14 October 1922.
144. To Dr. Heinrich Peter Wekesser from F. A. Lorenz, Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter following unpleasant phone conversation between Dr. Wekesser and himself and expressing discontent with Dr. Wekesser's activities and intentions. 15 Oct. 1922. (2 pages).
145. To Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining the reasons the organization is limited to the Volga Region and encouraging a group of people from the area attend the organization meeting in Lincoln. 18 October 1922.
146. To Mr. Jacob Volz, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter inquiring about clothing shipment and whether Mr. Volz had met with Russian officials. Expresses concerns regarding resignation of Mr. Lorenz, and that Mr. George Schafer of Lincoln is seeking information about his brother and family. 19 October 1922. (2 pages).
147. To Friend from Dr. Henry P. Wekesser. Letter stating that copies of the "*Dakota Freie Presse*" will be sent and requesting that they be distributed after church. Articles contain information about the meeting in Lincoln November 3-5 regarding Volga Relief work. 23 October 1922.
148. To Mr. Wekesser from Henry A. Hein, Pres., Volga Relief Society Hastings Branch, Hastings, Nebraska. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser that a delegation including Rev. Hoersch, Rev. Hammelman, and Henry Zeiler would be attending the conference. 24 Oct. 1922.
149. To Mr. Frank C. Page, New York, N.Y. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter providing details of the planned national conference in Lincoln, [Nebraska] and discussing the activities of representatives to Russia, Rev. Wagner and Jacob Volz, and whether a financial account can be set up for certain villages in Russia. 26 October 1922. (2 pages).
150. To Mr. Henry Hein, Hastings, Nebraska from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter discusses plans to send correspondence to the newspapers regarding activities and news from Russia and also encourages Mr. Hein to attend conference. 26 October 1922.
151. To Mr. John Ehrlich, Marion, Kansas from H. P. Wekesser. Letter encouraging Mr. Ehrlich to bring others to the conference and discusses arrangements for housing of delegates. 26 October 1922.
152. Correspondence between H. H. Ament and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Rev. H. H. Ament, Greeley, Colo. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter replying to letter dated Okt. 23, 1922 expressing concern about the people opposing the work of the Relief Society and encouraging Rev. Ament to attend conference. 26 October 1922.

- Letter 2:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from J. H. Ament, Greeley, Colo. Letter typed in German. Makes reference to Pastor Wagner. 23 Okt. 1922.
153. Correspondence between Henry Yauk and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Mr. Henry Yauk, Eaton, Colo. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter of response to Mr. Yauk thanking him for the encouragement and expresses hope that some people from the area can attend the conference. 26 June 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To Central States Volga Relief Sty. from Henry Yauk, Eaton, Colo. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions Herr Repp and reference to delegates. 21 Oct. 1922.
154. To Rev. Wm. Strauch, Ft. Collins, Colo. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter expressing concern regarding the opposition to the national organization and encouraging Rev. Strauch to discuss the situation and the work with the people in their area. 26 October 1922.
155. To Rev. Elias Hergert, Fort Collins, Colo. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing him that copies of the "*Dakota Freie Presse*" had been sent and encouraging him to distribute copies and help explain the benefits of working with the national organization. 26 October 1922.
156. To Mr. Jacob Volz, London, England from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Volz that the society had received both his and Rev. Wagner's letters. Includes information regarding plans to proceed with national conference and arrangements for sending funds. Also includes handwritten notation that a cable had been received from Volz that clothing shipment had arrived and receipt of 59 letters from families in Russia. 27 October 1922. (2 pages).
157. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from F. G. Mertins [sp], Chicago, Ill. Letter on Evangel St. Trinity Church letterhead informing that Mr. Karl Wiegel would represent the Wiesenseite Relief Society at the convention. 27 Oct. 1922.
158. To Rev. Jacob Wagner. Letter requesting that Rev. Wagner arrange to take the fastest transportation available in order to attend the national organizational meeting for the Volga Relief Societies in Lincoln, Nebraska November 3-5. 28 Oct. 1922. (2 pages).
159. To Rev. Jacob Wagner. Letter discussing arrival plans and the organizational meeting for a national organization. Also discusses plans for clothing shipments. No author indicated but appears to be from Dr. Wekesser. 30 October 1922.
160. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from O. K. Hensel, Pastor, Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Sterling, Colorado. Letter stating that Pastor Hensel would be the delegate to the convention and that Rev. Schlitzkuss from Sterling would serve as alternate. 30 Oct. 1922.
161. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Harry R. Fahrenbuch, Culbertson, Nebr. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser that Mr. Fahrenbuch's father would be a delegate to convention and that he would not need lodging. 30 Oct. 1922.
162. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from F. Ostertag, Secy., Winchester, Ind. Half-page letter on National Republican Consolidated Speakers Bureau letterhead informing Dr. Wekesser that Rev. Rothenberger, Rev. F. Ostertag, and Adam Eckhardt had been elected as delegates to Lincoln Volga Relief Society Convention. Includes envelope addressed to Dr. Wekesser. October, 1922.
163. To "Editor" from Dr. Henry P. Wekesser. (Publication not named). Forward of copy of letter from Jacob Volz dated October 5, 1922 reporting that plans to send clothing to individuals has failed and that shipments should be sent for general distribution. Includes copy of cablegram from Jacob Volz dated October 25, 1922 regarding receipt of clothing shipment. 30 October 1922. (2 pages).

164. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Aabor [sp?]. Letter informing that he had been selected as a delegate to the conference in Lincoln, November 3-4. 30 Oct. 1922.
165. To H. P. Wekesser from K. L. Stahl. Letter discussing division of Colorado District Relief Society members in relation to forming a national organization. Expresses support of the national organization from his congregation and others. 31 October 1922.

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Box 1, Folder 6, November - December, 1922

166. From H. P. Wekesser and John W. Miller. Announcement of Conference to be held in Lincoln November 3 – 5, 1922 with the heading “November 3, 4, and 5. Document provides information about work in Russia, monies sent for famine relief and other activities. Translated English version (3 pages) and document typed in German (4 pages). November 1922. (7 pages – 3 pages English and 4 pages German).
167. Correspondence between Dr. Wekesser and Frank C. Page.  
**Letter 1:** To American Relief Administration from Dr. Wekesser. Telegram responding to Mr. Page’s telegram of November 1 that Mr. Repp will be in Lincoln and plans to put on clothing campaign. 1 November 1922. (2 pages – front and back).  
**Letter 2:** Telegram to Henry P. Wekesser from Frank C. Page. Telegram inquiring whether George Repp will be in Lincoln on Saturday. 1 Nov. 1922. (2 pages – front and back).
168. To Editor from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that enclosed letter (not available) be published regarding distribution of food drafts by Mr. Volz in Russia and his recommendation that the numbers on food draft receipts be sent to Mr. Volz for the purpose of identification. 2 November 1922.
169. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from John Volz, York, Nebr. Letter acknowledging receipt of check for \$100 for month of October. 5 Nov. 1922.
170. To Jacob Volz. Letter reporting on the success of the conference in Lincoln, the formation of the American Volga Relief Society, establishment of headquarters in Lincoln, and the election of officers. Suggestions regarding request for copies of newspapers to be sent and request for information regarding the arrival and distribution of the clothing shipment. 6 Nov. 1922. (2 pages).
171. To Wm. Kerner, Fresno, Cal. from H. P. Wekesser. Night letter informing of the organization of the American Volga Relief Society and that George Repp will visit Fresno. 6 Nov. 1922.
172. To Karl Kraft, Worden, Montana from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Kraft that the American Relief Society had been formed at a national organizational meeting and they would be working with the American Relief Administration to ship clothing and food to Russia. 7 Nov. 1922.
173. To Rev. J. Kroeger, Winnipeg, Man. Canada. Letter informing Rev. Kroeger that a national organization had been formed called the Volga Relief Society, and the intent was to have annual meetings. 7 Nov. 1922.
174. Correspondence between Jacob Zieg and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Mr. Jacob Zieg, York, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter in response to Mr. Zieg’s correspondence dated November 6, 1922 addressing accusations that people associated with the Volga Relief Society are using funds for personal use. 7 Nov. 1922.

- Letter 2:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Lincoln, Neb. from Jacob Zieg, York, Nebraska. 2 page letter hand written in German. 6 November 1922.
175. Correspondence between L. Appel and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To L. Appel, Spokane, Wash. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter explaining that the \$5.00 money order is being sent back due to safety of sending money and suggesting that he send a \$10.00 food draft instead. 7 Nov. 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from L. Appel, Spokane, Washington. Letter handwritten in German and mentions \$5.00 donation. 1 Nov. 1922.
176. To George Repp c/o Wm. Kerner, Fresno, California from Dr. Wekesser. Night Letter informing of successful meetings in Lincoln and urging Fresno group to unite with American Volga Relief Society. 9 Nov. 1922.
177. To Editor from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that the paper translate and publish article in the November 13 issue. 10 November, 1922.
178. To John W. Miller, Portland, Oregon from Dr. Wekesser. Night Letter requesting mailing list and number of blank clothing drafts needed. 13 Nov. 1922.
179. To Rev. Karl Stahl, Windsor, Colorado from H. P. Wekesser. Letter reporting on the success of the national organizational meeting and plans for the next year in Greeley, Colorado. 14 Nov. 1922.
180. To Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebr. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter thanking Rev. Rothenberger for his support and update on establishment of office for the society. 14 Nov. 1922.
181. To Jacob Volz. Letter acknowledging report regarding arrival of 3 of the 4 cars of the clothing shipment and concerns regarding the missing carload. Remarks regarding distribution and report on \$2,000 in food drafts and monies for window for the church in Schilling, and reports on additional expenses. 15 November 1922. (2 pages).
182. To Rev. Walter Aitken, Lincoln, Nebraska from H. P. Wekesser. Letter thanking Rev. Aitken and his congregation for use of the church for the mass meeting. 15 Nov. 1922.
183. To American Relief Administration from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing of formation of the American Volga Relief Society and appointment of Jacob Volz as representative in famine area. Indicates enclosure of draft for Mr. Volz's expense account. 15 Nov. 1922.
184. From Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter on American Volga Relief Society letterhead requesting that a mass meeting be organized to meet with Rev. Wagner. Letter indicates that Rev. Wagner's itinerary is included. (Itinerary is not available with this letter). 15 November 1922.
185. To "Editor" from Dr. Henry P. Wekesser. Letter informing that a copy of Rev. Wagner's itinerary is enclosed (not available) and explaining that information regarding his experiences in the famine area is important to German Russian people in the area. Letter also indicates that clothing distribution procedures are similar to that of the food drafts. 15 November 1922.
186. To American Relief Administration, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter with draft of \$25.00 for Mr. Volz's expense account. 16 Nov. 1922.
187. To Jacob Volz, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Volz of receipt of \$25.00 for church window, enclosure of reports and copy of the constitution of the American Volga Relief Society, and plans for upcoming clothing campaign. 16 Nov. 1922.
188. To "Friend" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter requesting that he (Friend) call a meeting for the purpose of organizing a chapter in the area. 16 Nov. 1922.

189. To "Sir" from H. P. Wekesser. Letter regarding the inauguration of clothing remittances by the A.R.A. and plans to conduct clothing drafts in same manner as food drafts. Request that collection be taken at meeting for general distribution. 17 Nov. 1922.
190. To Jacob Volz, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Letter inquiring of additional expenses for the clothing shipments and expressing need for caution in any correspondence sent by Mr. Volz due to potential publication of letters. 23 Nov. 1922.
191. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from George Repp. Letter regarding pension for Voltz widows and request to be signed and forwarded to James P. Goodrich, Winchester, Indiana. 2 Dec. 1922.
192. Announcement from H. P. Wekesser and copy of Financial Statement  
**Letter 1:** From H. P. Wekesser. Letter announcing the dissolution of the Central States Volga Relief Society and discussion of funds and financial statement. Requests support for the work and the newly formed American Volga Relief Society. Written after December 4, 1922.  
**Letter 2:** Financial statement of C.S.V.R.S. for Sept 11, 1921 to Dec. 4, 1922. Typed in German. 4 Dec. 1922.  
**Letter 3:** Letter from Dr. H. P. Wekesser entitled "Der Letter Bericht von Unsem Heimiegangenen Presidenten." Two page letter typed in German and may be the original version of letter or abstract of letter announcing dissolution of Central States Volga Relief Society. No date. (2 pages).
193. To Jacob Volz, London, England from H. P. Wekesser. Information regarding concern about the missing carload of clothing and negative publicity in the newspapers resulting from letters and information sent from Mr. Volz. Plans for clothing fund drive for general distribution and for specific colonies. Requests financial report. 6 December 1922. (2 pages).
194. Correspondence between James P. Goodrich, George Repp, and H. P. Wekesser.  
**Letter 1:** To Hon. James P. Goodrich, Winchester, Indiana (Administrator for Folz Estate) from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Goodrich of receipt of letter from George Repp regarding the Folz estate settlement and discussion of Mr. Goodrich's suggestion regarding using Volga Relief Society funds to assist two women and their children involved in the estate. 7 Dec. 1922.  
**Letter 2:** To George Repp from J. P. Goodrich, Administrator of Folz Estate. Letter regarding details of the Folz estate and inquiring about possibility of Volga Relief Society providing payment of travel expenses for 2 women and children. 7 Nov. 1922.

## **Collection 2; Series I**

### **Subseries C: January – December 1923, organized by originator and then chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 1

1. To "Editor" (publication is not listed) from H. J. Amen, President, American Volga Relief Society. Cover letter for a letter written by Mr. Jacob Volz regarding his travels in the western states and the success of the meetings. Handwritten names on back of sheet. (Actual letter from Mr. Volz is not included). 10 October 1923.

## Collection 2; Series I

### Subseries C: From G. J. Schmidt, Secretary

Box 2, Folder 2

1. To Jacob Volz, London, England from G. J. Schmidt. Letter regarding \$10.00 donation and the address of the donor. Handwritten note written in German from donor is included. 13 June 1923. (2 pages - 1 original, and 1 handwritten note in German).
2. To Jacob Volz, London, England from G. J. Schmidt. Letter regarding \$50.00 donation from Maria Kammerzell for Henry Kammerzell in Frank, Russia. 19 July 1923.
3. To Jacob Volz, London, England from G. J. Schmidt. Letter regarding \$5.00 donation from Jacob Lockmann from Scottsbluff, Nebraska for Jacob Foos and Katharine Jerger in Dittel, Russia. 20 June 1923.
4. To Jacob Volz, London, England from G. J. Schmidt. Letter regarding \$5.00 donation from Ludwig and Kathrina Margaretha Sauer from Grand Island, Nebraska for Schwager Wilhelm Holmann in New Norka, Russia, \$5.00 donation from Mrs. Adam Amend (now Jacob Gettmann) for brother, Henry Ketcher in Walter, Russia. 25 June 1923.

## Collection 2; Series I

### Subseries D: Jan 1924 – through Dec 1924, organized by originator and then chronologically

Box 2, Folder 1

1. To Mr. Otto Mundkowski, Loveland, Okla. From John Rohrig, Vice Prresident. Letter informing Mr. Mundowski that money to cover food costs for relatives in Germany should be sent to this office and the German Red Cross will be instructed to deliver the food to the intended individual. 15 Jan. 1924.
2. Correspondence between Gustav Trautman and H. J. Amen.  
**Letter 1:** To Mr. Gustav Trautman, Los Angeles, California from H. J. Amen, President, American Volga Relief Society. Letter acknowledging receipt of \$4.70 donation with letter to *Lincoln Freie Presse*. Letter explains that the society will try to have the money sent to intended recipient, but the society is unable to guarantee it. 17 January 1924.  
**Letter 2:** To *Lincoln Freie Presse* from Gustaf Trautman, Los Angeles, Cal. Letter handwritten in German referring to monies sent for donations. Includes names of Mrs. Ida Rabbon, Weicha [sp?] Weissenbert, from Sachsen, Germani. January, 1924.
3. Correspondence between John Rohrig, Press Publishing Co., H. J. Amen and Anna Engeling.  
**Letter 1:** To Mr. John Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebr. from Press Publishing Co., *Lincoln Freie Presse*, Lincoln, Nebr. Letter advising of enclosed Money Order in amount of \$4.50 received from Mrs. Anna Engeling, Rosenberg, Texas for 1 sack of flour sent to Herrn Wilh. Henning, Bahnhof, Germany. 18 January 1924.  
**Letter 2:** To Mrs. Anna Engeling, Rosenberg, Texas from American Volga Relief Society, H. J. Amen, President. Letter informing Mrs. Engeling that they had received money order in amount of \$4.50 for a sack of flour for Herrn Wilh. Henning, Banhof, Germany. 22 January 1924.

**Collection 2; Series I**

**Subseries E: Jan 1921 – through Dec 1924, reports from C.S.V.R.S.**

Box 2, Folder 1

1. Report (draft with penciled corrections) regarding the investigation by members of C.S.V.R.S. of the American Relief Administration as the official contact organization for relief funds and donations. Letter gives directions as to procedure for collection and disbursement of donations and encouraging the Central States to get organized. 30 August 1921. (6 pages – 3 page draft and 3 page original).

**Collection 2; Series II: Correspondence, American Volga Relief Society Office.**

**Divided into three sub-series, arranged chronologically:**

**Subseries A: Correspondence sent from the ARA to the CSRS/AVRS**

Box 2, Folder 1, No date

1. From G. J. Schmidt, Secretary, A.V.R.S. Letter written in German. Title of letter is “Freudige Nachricht fuer die American Volga Relief Society” and mentions announcement from Volz that all clothing was received. No apparent addressee. No date.
2. From G. J. Schmidt, Secretary, A.V.R.S. Letter or announcement typed in German with title “Ein Deutsches Schutfest in Saratov.” No indication of intended addressee. No date.

**Collection 2; Series II:**

**Subseries A: Correspondence sent from the ARA to the CSRS/AVRS**

Box 2, Folder 2, 1921

3. From Mr. John Rohrig, Manager of Drive giving the C.S.V.R.S. authority to collect funds with promise from A.R.A. to distribute as directed by C.S.V.R.S. 13 October 1921.
4. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from Frank C. Page, American Relief Administration. Copy of Postal Telegraph-Cable Co. Press Telegram announcing statement from Mr. Hoover that A.R.A. had received cablegram from Moscow stating that agreement has been completed between A.R.A. and Soviet Authorities regarding sending food to famine victims in Russia and outline of plans and procedures for shipments. Second note from Frank C. Page, A.R.A. urging donations from localities rather than individuals. Short handwritten note on original telegram from Lorenz indicating that he had received the telegram late and it was forwarded as soon as possible. 17 October 1921. (Press Telegram with corrections - 2 pages, typewritten copy and draft – 4 pages).

**Collection 2; Series II**

**Subseries B: Correspondence sent to the AVRS regarding various aspects of the relief operation, arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 3: 1922 correspondence

1. Four page collection of letters from various authors dating from January 16 to 19, 1922. Letter is entitled “A Message of Good Cheer to Our Friends” from H. P. Wekesser. It includes: “A Telegram from Mr. Page” from Frank C. Page, Asst. Sec. American Relief Administration to Dr. Henry P. Wekesser dated January 19,

1922; “Rev. Wagner’s Last Word Before he Embarked for Europe” sent to Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres. from Jacob Wagner dated January 17, 1922; “A Letter of Recommendation” to Mr. Lyman Brown, London, England from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary, American Relief Administration dated Jan. 16, 1922; and “Recommending Rev. Wagner to Col. Haskell” to Col. Wm. N. Haskell, London, England from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary, American Relief Administration dated January 16, 1922. (Three of the original letters are indexed here). 19 January 1922. (4 pages).

**Letter 1:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Cable from American Relief Administration regarding inability to send food and clothing and distribution cannot be guaranteed for specific locality. 19 January 1922. (2 pages).

**Letter 2:** To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres., from Jacob Wagner, New York City. Letter informing of the plan to sail to London on the steamer “*George Washington*” and report of meeting with Mr. Page from the American Relief Administration. Letter states that money for the General Fund will be used by the A.R.A. for feeding children only. Money from the C.S.V.R.S. will be used for both adults and children. Wagner also gives guidelines for clothing shipments. 17 January 1922.

**Letter 3:** To Mr. W. Lyman Brown, Director, A.R.A., London, England from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary, A.R.A., New York City, N.Y. Letter introducing Rev. Jacob Wagner as a co-representative with Mr. Repp in the Volga region for the C.S.V.R.S. Letter indicates that Rev. Wagner’s salary and expenses are paid by the Volga Relief Society. 16 January 1922.

**Letter 4:** To Colonel Wm. H. Haskell, A.R.A., London, England from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary, A.R.A., New York City, N.Y. Letter of introduction for Rev. Wagner, the 2<sup>nd</sup> representative of the C.S.V.R.S. Also discusses that funds have been raised for both children and adults in the Volga region and the goals of the A.R.A. 16 January 1922.

2. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser that the A.R.A. appreciates the assistance and support of the German Russian people and that \$150,000 had been received. Includes notation of letter dated October 23, 1921 that Mr. Page had authorized collection of funds by the society and that A.R.A. will distribute the funds. 3 February 1922.

3. Correspondence between Henry P. Wekesser, Frank C. Page, and Conrad Kornmann.

**Letter 1:** To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary, American Relief Administration. Letter discussing the letter from the *Dakota Freie Presse*, New Ulm, Minnesota dated June 2, 1922 and their charge that the Central States Volga Relief Society is using the A.R.A. to promote the *Welt Post* in Russia. Letter expresses concern regarding the charges and the consequences of any political ambitions by any of the relief organizations. Mr. Page requests that the differences be worked out between the C.S.V.R.S. and the representatives of the *Dakota Freie Presse*. 14 June 1922.

**Letter 2:** To American Relief Administration, New York City from Conrad Kornmann, New Ulm, Minnesota. Letter charging that the A.R.A. and some of their agents (Rev. Jacob Wagner in particular) are using the famine situation in Russia to promote specific newspapers in America. Letter also expresses discontent regarding the rejection of the *Dakota Freie Presse* for distribution in Russia and requests that they discuss the issue with the Russian Government. 9 June 1922.



4. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from American Relief Administration. Telegram informing that all deliveries have been made and famine in Volga is over. Announces that they are pleased to work with Jacob Volz. 28 June 1922. (2 pages – front and back).
5. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary. Letter stating that the famine is over in Russia and that the A.R.A. is considering discontinuing the distribution of food to adults by September 15. Letter further states that it is possible that the A.R.A. may no longer serve as a channel for relief for the society. Acknowledges acceptance of Mr. Volz as representative when Rev. Wagner returns to America. 3 July 1922. (2 pages).
6. Correspondence between Henry P. Wekesser, Frank C. Page, and W. N. Haskell.
 

**Letter 1:** To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary. Letter on A.R.A. letterhead commenting about the “*Weltpost*” and the need to maintain positive relationships. In addition, letter informs of Eurelcon sales, and the A.R.A.’s position on clothing distribution. Indicates an enclosed letter from Colonel Haskell. 5 July 1922.

**Letter 2:** To American Relief Administration from W. N. Haskell, Director in Russia. Letter responding to A.R.A. letter dated 29 May 1922 in regard to the activities of Rev. Wagner holding religious services in the Saratov area. According to Colonel Haskell, Rev. Wagner was advised not to hold services and was complying with the directive. 9 June 1922.
7. Telegram to Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from American Relief Administration stating that Volz had arrived safely and on the way to Saratov. 16 Sept. 1922.

## **Collection 2; Series II**

### **Subseries B Correspondence sent to the AVRS regarding various aspects of the relief operation, arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 4: 1923 Correspondence

1. To Freunde from G. J. Schmidt, Secretary. One page letter typed in German entitled “Nochmaliger Aufruf Der American Volga Relief Society Zur Kleidersammaong.” Letter mentions Br. Volz. 19 January 1923.
2. To Freunde from G. J. Schmidt, Secretary. One page letter typed in German entitled “An Unsere Freunde Und Mitarbeiter der American Volga Relief Society.” Includes information about monies for Russia. 19 January 1923.
3. Collection of five short letters entitled “Die American Relief Administration Lobt Die Vertreter der American Volga Relief Society” typed in German from A.R.A., Frank C. Page, John P. Gregg, John R. Ellington, and G. J. Schmidt. Dates on letters range from January 11, 1923 to February 21, 1923. 21 February 1923. (3 pages).
4. To Freunde from G. J. Schmidt, Secretary. Two page letter typed in German entitled “On Unsere Freunde Und Mitarbeiter der American Volga Relief Society. 22 February 1923. (2 pages).
5. From G. J. Schmidt, Secretary. One page letter typed in German entitled “Helft Den Armen Konfirmanden.” The letter includes 4 pages of names of “Konfirmands” in the following villages: Merkel, Podtschinaja, Kautz, Neu-Balzer, Neu-Donhof, and Dietel. 5 March 1923. (5 pages)
6. To Freunde from G. J. Schmidt, Secretary. Two page letter typed in German. Mentions Rohrig, Volz, and Wagner. 19 March 1923. (2 pages).
7. To Jacob Volz, Representative, Saratov, Russia from E. G. Burland, Chief, Food & Clothing Remittances Div. Moscow, Russia. Letter regarding the liquidation of

- the Food Remittance and Clothing Remittance Sections of the A.R. A. in Russia effective 15 June 1923. 12 April 1923.
8. To Jacob Volz, Representative, Saratov, Russia from C. Telford, A.R.A. Chief Finance & Acct. Division Moscow, Russia. Letter advising that a credit of \$713 had been received for the C.S.V.R.S. account. 14 April 1923.

**Collection 2; Series II:**

**Subseries B; Correspondence sent from the ARA to the CSRS/AVRS**

Box 2, Folder 1, 1922

1. To Edgar Rickard, Director of A.R.A. from Governor Samuel R. McKelvie. Letter of support for Rev. Jacob Wagner as the unanimously elected representative by the Germans from Russia to the famine district in Russia and confirming him as a patriotic citizen. 10 January 1922.
2. To Central States V.R.S. from George Repp, Saratov, Russia. Report of monies received from various V.R.S. groups and amounts distributed to specific colonies. 21 Jan 1922. (6 pages - Handwritten report - 4 pages, typed report – 2 pages).
3. To District Supervisor, Saratov, Russia from T. C. Lonergan, Executive Assistant, American Relief Administration. Letter introducing Rev. Jacob Wagner as representative to Russia, the plan for him to work with George Repp, and details on division of financing and policies for distribution of funds. 7 February 1922.
4. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from M. H. Walker, Russian Food Remittance Department. Letter informing that Moscow reported delivery of food represented by the \$7,500.00 donation. 20 June 1922.
5. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from M. H. Walker, Russian Food Remittance Department. Letter informing that Moscow reported delivery of food represented by the \$15,510.00 donation. 21 June 1922.
6. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from M. H. Walker, Russian Food Remittance Department. Letter informing that Moscow reported delivery of food represented by the \$15,000.00 donation. 29 June 1922.
7. To Mr. Frank C. Page, New York, N.Y. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter acknowledging receipt of telegram accepting Mr. Jacob Volz as representative and plans for Mr. Volz to accompany the clothing shipment to Russia. Letter also requests advice regarding payment of duty on new clothing shipments to Russia. 6 July 1922.
8. To Mr. Frank C. Page, New York, N.Y. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter regarding issues concerning articles printed in newspapers. It also explains Dr. Wekesser's intentions should he go to Europe. 6 July 1922.
9. To Mr. Frank C. Page, New York, N.Y. from H. P. Wekesser. Letter informing Mr. Page that 50,000 pounds of clothing amounting to \$50,000 will be shipped to the American Friends Service Committee to be forwarded to Moscow. Letter also informs Mr. Page that Mr. Volz will be traveling to Russia with the shipment and oversee distribution. 12 July 1922.

**Collection 2: Series II**

**Subseries B; Correspondence sent from the ARA to the CSRS/AVRS**

Box 2, Folder 2: 1923 correspondence

1. To Jacob Volz, Esq., Moscow, [Russia] from Herbert Owen, Office Manager, American Relief Administration, London, England. Letter informing of receipt of

- letter dated March 16, 1923 questioning origin of parcels received by Volz in Russia. 6 April 1923.
2. To Jacob Volz, Saratoff, Russia from C. J. C. Quinn, Acting Director in Russia and John R. Ellingston, Chief, Historical Division, Moscow, Russia. Letter requesting that Mr. Volz write a report documenting the history of the activities of the society in Russia and including the overall history of the American operation in the relief effort. Letter also requests statistics showing extent and value of the relief work and how it was accomplished. 11 April 1923.
  3. To American Volga Relief Society, Lincoln, Nebraska from M. H. Walker, Russian Food and Clothing Remittance Dept., American Relief Administration, New York City. Cover letter with 19 cards of thanks from recipients of food covered by remittance of \$2,000.00 on January 12, 1923. Postcards (19 total) from American Relief Administration in Russia indicating that they had received packages of American food. Specific amounts and details are illegible. 5 June 1923. (40 pages – 1 letter (front and back) and 19 cards, front and back).

**Collection 2; Series II:**

**Subseries C; Correspondence sent to the AVRS from Germany**

*Box 5 \*\* Legal sized papers in Collection II are indexed in order within the documents according to chronological order. The documents are located in Collection II, Box 5.*

1. To fellow countrymen from Hilfswerk der Wolgadeutschen E.V., Verein der Wolgadeutschen E.V., Reichswanderungsamt, Berlin, Germany. Letter typed on legal size paper and translated from German. Letter indicates that relatives are traveling with about 700 others who have traveled from Minsk via Poland to Germany. Letter requests that money be sent covering expenses and travel money and that this group will probably remain in Germany for at least a half year. List of names is not included. Addressee and author is not provided. December 1922. (German document is attached). (Legal size paper – 4 pages).

**Collection 2; Series III, Jacob Volz. Series contains letters from Jacob Volz arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 1, No date

1. From Jacob Volz. Letter typed in German on American Volga Relief Society letterhead. Includes edit marks. No apparent addressee. No date.
2. From Jacob Volz. Letter typed in German. No apparent addressee. No date
3. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres. from Jacob Volz, Moskow, [Russia]. Letter dated “Sept. 13” (no year is mentioned) typed in German. No date. (2 pages).
4. From Jacob Volz, P. Sinner, Jacob Sinner, Kamilla Sinner, Ed Seib, Pastor, F. Konstanz und Frau. Letter written to A.V.R.S. and mentions Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Second letter from H. P. Wekesser and includes mention of Pastor Jacob Wagner. The letter may be a response to the letter from Dr. Wekesser. (May be associated with 2 page letter typed in German from H. P. Wekesser giving names of officers of Lincoln branch A.V.R.S. with 9 September 1921 mentioned in text). No date. (2 pages).
5. To H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, Balzer, Russland. Letter typed in German. No date.
6. To American Volga Relief Society from Jacob Volz, Saratow, Russland. Letter typed in German dated June 19 (no year given). Letter is typed on legal size paper. No date. (Legal size paper).

**Collection 2; Series III, Jacob Volz. Series contains letters from Jacob Volz arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 2, 1921

7. To Central States Volga Relief Society from Jacob Volz, York, Nebr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions \$25.00. 20 Sept. 1921.
8. To Dr. Henry Weckesser from Jacob Volz, York, Nebr. Letter handwritten in German. 12 Nov. 1921.
9. To President, C. St. Volga R. Society, Dr. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, York, Nebr. Handwritten letter acknowledging the selection of Rev. J. J. Ballensky as representative to Russia and requesting a meeting with the directors in regard to his (Volz) qualifications to serve as representative. 17 Nov. 1921.
10. To Docktor from Jacob Volz, York, Nebr. Letter handwritten in German. Gives Volz's address as 1531 York Av. 12 Dec. 1921.

**Collection 2; Series III, Jacob Volz. Series contains letters from Jacob Volz arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 3, 1922

11. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, York, Neb. Postcard informing of success of 3-day drive for funds and requests materials. 21 May, 1922. (Postcard front and back).
12. To Doctor Wekesser from Jacob Volz, York, Neb. Letter expressing concerns regarding representation by Jacob Wagner and offering services to the V.R.S. 8 June 1922.
13. Biography of Jacob Volz. 15 June 1922.
14. To Dr. Wekesser, President C. S. Volga R. Society from Jacob Volz, Friend, Nebr. Postcard explaining that meeting was not successful due to weather but that everyone had been informed about clothing question. Plans to send a shipment. 25 June 1922. (Postcard, front and back).
15. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, York, Neb. Letter explaining desire to work on gathering clothing from the communities provided he is accepted by A.R.A. 26 June 1922.
16. To Dr. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, Philadelphia, Penn. Letter handwritten in German. 10 August 1922. (5 pages).
17. To Dr. Wekesser, President C.S.V.R.S. from Volz, New York. Post card sent from Grand Central Station, New York inquiring about funds for shipment of clothing and requesting \$500.00. 20 August 1922.
18. To Dr. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, New York. Private letter discussing the work of Mr. Stroh, and the Lutheran Council. 22 August 1922. (2 pages).
19. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser President C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, S.S. President Adams. Handwritten letter from aboard the ship S.S. President Adams discussing the trip and concerns regarding delivery of packages for the villages and need for funds. 31 August 1922. (2 pages).
20. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser President C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, London, England. Letter handwritten in German from London, England. 4 September 1922. (7 pages – handwritten copy-5 pages, typed copy-2 pages).
21. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser President C.S.V.R.S. Letter handwritten in German from Saratov, Russia. Four page letter handwritten in German and includes a plea in English “Clothing urgently needed for general distribution.” 5 September 1922. (4 pages).

22. To Weckesser, Lincoln, Nebr. from Volz, Berlin, [Germany]. Telegram sent from Berlin, Germany typed in German. 11 Sept. 1922.
23. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres. C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratov, Russia. Letter typed in German and makes reference to a telegram and Mr. Gregg, Direktor for Saratov, Mr. Beschorner, Rev. Wacker from Norka and Mr. Haskell. 16 Sept. 1922. (2 pages).
24. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres., C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratov, Russia. Letter typed in German and mentions Rev. Wagner, and Pastor Gunther. Also mentions several Volga villages including Kutter, Denhof, Bauer, Merkel, Kratzka, and Dittel. 23 Sept. 1922. (3 pages with corrections).
25. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Volz, Saratov, Russia. Letter(s) handwritten in German from Jacob Volz. Includes a 2 page handwritten letter dated September 16, 1922. 23 Sept. 1922. (9 pages).
26. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, President C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratov, [Russia]. Letter typed in German discussing a "Konferenz" and mentions Mr. Gregg, director of Saratov District. 5 October 1922. (2 pages).
27. To Director, American Relief Administration from Jacob Volz, Saratov, [Russia]. Letter promising to reimburse the A.R.A. for any food remittances for agents in Russia. 5 October 1922.
28. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, President C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratow, [Russia]. Four page letter handwritten in German. 17 October 1922. (4 pages).
29. From Jacob Volz, Saratow, [Russia]. Chart with 20 columns handwritten in German and English listing six colonies and totals for seed, rye, grain, etc. 17 October 1922.
30. To Wekesser from Jacob Volz, London, England. Cablegram to Wekesser stating "Clothing Arrived Volz." 25 October 1922.
31. List of letters received October 27, 1922 from Mr. Jacob Volz. Lists names and address on letters. 27 October 1922.

**Collection 2; Series III, Jacob Volz. Series contains letters from Jacob Volz arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 4, 1923

32. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, President from Jacob Volz, Balzer, Russia. One page typed in German. May be first page of multi-page letter. No other pages included. 4 January 1923.
33. To John Rohrig, A.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratow, Russia. Two pages typed in German and includes a ½ page response from G. J. Schmidt, Secretary of A.V.R.S. typed in German. 27 January 1923. (2 pages).
34. To A.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratow, Russland. Two page letter typed in German and includes discussion of Pastor J. J. Ballensky and mentions John Volz. Includes village names of Balzer, Lauve, Yost, Laub, Dinkel, Straub and Warenburg. 14 February 1923. (2 pages).
35. To G. J. Schmidt, Secretary, A.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratow, Russia. Letter typed in German and includes corrections. 5 March 1923. (3 pages).
36. To Jacob Volz, Saratov, Russia from "Secy." Letter typed in German and includes information regarding a letter of March 5, and several dollar amounts. 20 April 1923.
37. To A.V.R.S., Lincoln, Neb. Secketar G. J. Schmidt from Jacob Volz, Saratov, [Russia]. Six page handwritten letter (in German) from Jacob Volz. 7 May 1923. (6 pages).

38. To A.V.R.S. Brother Schmidt from Jacob Volz, Saratov, [Russia]. Three page typewritten letter (in German). Contains some financial data, names and villages. (Handwritten note on back of last page states, "Sent to paper June 14, 1923." 7 May 1923. (4 pages).
39. From Jacob Volz. Three page letter or report entitled "Das Neueste von Jacob Volz" typed in German. 12 June 1923. (3 pages).
40. To A.V.R.S., G. J. Schmidt, Secretar from Jacob Volz, Saratow, [Russia]. Four page handwritten letter in German. May be in reference to 8 page handwritten letter written by P. Sinner May 5, 1923, Series XIII, Folder 4. 19 June 1923. (4 pages).
41. From H. J. Amen and Jacob Volz, Lincoln, Nebr. Page 2 of handwritten letter to Jacob Volz dated 23 June 1923. Letter handwritten in German from Jacob Volz on reverse side dated 19 June 1923. 23 June 1923. (2 pages).
42. To Mr. H. J. Amen, President A.V.R.S., from Jacob Volz, Ft Collins, Col. Postcard informing of meeting in Ft Collins, [Colorado], Denver, [Colorado] and McCook, [Nebraska]. Postcard indicates that Volz is staying with brother in Ft. Collins and that John Stroh would give Volz a ride to meeting. 27 Okt. 1923. (2 sides – postcard front and back).
43. To Brother Amen from Jacob Volz, Fort Morgan, Colo. Postcard informing of meeting in Brush, Colo. and plans to go to McCook, [Nebraska]. Card mentions Rev. Zorn and Rev. Weisenburger. 1 Nov. 1923. (2 sides – postcard front and back).
44. To Brother Amen from Jacob Volz, McCook, Nebr. Postcard reporting on meeting in McCook and that he is staying with Mr. Jacob Frank. 3 Nov. 1923. (2 sides – postcard front and back).

**Collection 2; Series IV, Correspondence, Rev. Jacob Wagner. Series contains reports and letters from Rev. Wagner arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 1, No date and 1921

1. One page biography about Jacob Wagner. No date. (1 original, 1 copy).
2. To Rev. Jacob Wagner, London. Torn pieces of 2 page letter mentioning the Quakers (possibly to help C.S.V.R.S.). Names mentioned include Col. Haskell and Mr. Volz. No date.
3. From Jacob Wagner. Letter typed in German titled Reisebericht. II. New York bis London. No date. (3 pages).
4. From Jacob Wagner. Letter typed in German titled Reisebericht. IV. Berlin bis Riga. No date. (3 pages).
5. From Jacob Wagner. Letter typed in German titled Reisebericht V. Riga Bis Moskau. No date. (3 pages).
6. From Jacob Wagner, Pastor. Letter typed in German titled Reisebericht VI. Riga Bis Saratov. No date. (3 pages).
7. From Mrs. J. Wagner. Handwritten note of receipt of \$300.00 from Dr. H. P. Wekesser. 21 Jan. 1921.
8. To Dr. Wekesser, Pres. from Jacob Wagner, Sterling, Colo. Letter reporting on meetings in Northern Colorado. Communities mentioned include Ft. Morgan, McCook, Nebraska, Culbertson, Berthoud, Loveland, Windsor, and Scottsbluff, Nebraska. 17 Sept. 1921. (5 pages).
9. To Dr. Q. P. Wekesser [sp. - should be H. P. Wekesser] from Jacob Wagner, Greeley Colo. Western Union Telegram informing of mass meeting in Windsor

with six towns represented and that they had formed the Volga Relief Society Colorado. 19 Sept. 1921.

**Collection 2; Series IV, Correspondence, Rev. Jacob Wagner. Series contains reports and letters from Rev. Wagner arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 2, 1922

10. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, Moscow, Russia. Letter informing of safe arrival and plans to continue to Saratov. 8 February 1922.
11. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Wagner, Saratov, Russia. Letter informing of arrival in Saratov and also that of Mr. Repp. Explains that conditions in Russia are getting worse. Encourages society to pay \$100.00 requested by Verein der Volga-Deutschen in Berlin. 13 Feb. 1922.
12. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, C.S.V.R.S. from Rev. Wagner, Balzer, Russia. Six point letter typed in German (referenced in letter dated April 27, 1922 from Dr. Wekesser to Rev. Wagner, Series I, Sub-Series B). 24 Feb 1922. (4 pages).
13. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, C.S.V.R.S. Abstract of Six point letter from Rev. Wagner's latest report typed in English. 24 Feb 1922. (3 pages).
14. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres. V.C.S.R. Society from Jacob Wagner, Saratov, Russia. Handwritten abstract from Rev. Wagner's latest report, Balzer Province of Saratov, Russia. 24 Febr. 1922. (11 pages).
15. List of personal letters from Russia received from Rev. Wagner and addresses to where they were sent. 11 March 1922. (2 pages).
16. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, Saratov, Russia. Letter (in English) regarding a trip to Moscow with Dr. Jones (physician representing A.R.A.). Relays plans to check on shipments of supplies to the Volga and concerns for the delays. Letter is referenced by Dr. Wekesser in letter dated 5 May 1922. 7 April 1922.
17. From Pastor Jacob Wagner. Ten [stanza] point poem/song typed in German with heading "A.R.A.- *Arbiet am Wolgastrom*". April 1922.
18. From Pastor Jacob Wagner. Five stanza poem entitled "*Die Kornauslandung*" typed in German. 5 May 1922.
19. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser, Pres. from Jacob Wagner, Saratov, Russia. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser that 54,999 children on the mountain side of the Volga are currently receiving food and more children on the meadow side are being fed. In addition the arrival of corn shipments has allowed distribution of food to adults. Letter expresses regret that the clothing issue has not been resolved and that the A.R.A. plans to cease relief efforts in September (1922). Includes poem "*Die Kornauladung*" am 5 Mai 1922 on back. 15 May 1922. (3 pages - 1 page letter typed in English translated from 2 page letter typed in German).
20. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres. C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Wagner, Saratov, Russia. Brief reports of relief efforts in the Volga Region, receipt and distribution of supplies and that starvation is under control. 20 June 1922.
21. Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, A.R.A. Russian Unit, Balzer District, Saratov, Russia. Report dated June 15-27, 1922 regarding amount of food and supplies received and sent to Schilling, Nishni-Dobrinka, Kukkus, and Nishni-Bannovka. Includes number of children and adults that were fed. 27 June 1922.
22. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, A.R.A. Russian Unit, Balzer District, Saratov, Russia. Report dated June 28 to July 5, 1922 regarding amount of supplies and food for the various colonies. Includes number of children and adults who received aid. 5 July 1922.

23. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, Saratov, Russia. Letter explaining the delay in receipt of reports and letters and plans to visit Moscow regarding the clothing shipment issues. 23 July 1922.
24. From Pastor J. Wagner. Document typed in German entitled "Fragen Und Antworten Zur Gefatligen Beachtung." Includes 12 points of discussion. Summer 1922. (5 pages).
25. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, Saratov, Russia. Report regarding inspection of 29 kitchens in the Volga region. (Includes names of villages). Also reports on actions taken for kitchens that needed improvement. Reports that the A.R.A. may not remain over winter months. 9 August 1922.
26. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, Moscow, Russia. Letter reporting on meeting in Moscow with the Quakers and the A.R.A. representative, Mr. Quinn, resulting in assurance there would be no duty taxes on shipment. Letter also expresses disappointment regarding rumors and negative comments towards him especially in regard to preaching. Final sentence expresses concern and prediction about Bolsheviks and the villages. 16 August 1922.
27. Envelope addressed to Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Rev. J. Wagner, London, England. 25 August 1922.
28. Currency. One 500 Rubles. 1919
29. Currency. One 1,000 Rubles. 1921.
30. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, American Relief Administration Russian Unit, Saratov, Russia. Letter reporting on current plans to visit villages by Mr. Volz and Wagner. Also reports that the A.R.A. kitchens have all been closed except in children's homes, poor houses and hospitals. Shares concerns regarding the welfare of people in the villages. 25 Sept. 1922.
31. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Jacob Wagner, American Relief Administration Russian Unit, Saratov, Russia. Letter discussing arrival of Mr. Volz and expressing confidence in his work. Shares travel plans back to America. Mentions poem he wrote (included with letter) entitled "Herr Jakob Volz in Russland." 9 Oct. 1922. (2 pages).
32. To Dr. Wekesser from Wagner, Pittsburgh, Penn. Telegram informing of arrival in Omaha. 4 Nov. 1922. (2 pages – front and back).

**Collection 2; Series IV, Correspondence, Rev. Jacob Wagner. Series contains reports and letters from Rev. Wagner arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 3, 1923

33. Itinerary for meetings in Colorado and Nebraska for Rev. Wagner. 15 Nov. 1922.
34. From Pastor Jacob Wagner. Letter (partial – page 2) typed in German. Page 1 is not included. Pastor Wagner mentions date 1 Feb 1923. No apparent addressee. February 1923.
35. From Pastor Jacob Wagner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Volga Relief Society. Report typed in German with heading "Reisebericht von 20. Feb bis 8 Maerz, 1923." 20 Feb to 8 March, 1923 (3 pages).



**Collection 2; Series V, Description of bales of clothing shipped to colonies by AVRS: Series contains the bale number, village the bale is to go to and its weight - arranged chronologically**

Box 2

1. Numbered list of bales (389 bales), colonies where the bales are to be sent, and weight of bale for each colonie. 23 Feb. 1923. (10 pages).
2. Typed list entitled "Clothing in shipment, Car. No. 2. January 19, 1924." List gives names, location (town and state where available), and weight of donated clothing. Also gives information on Ball No. 134 befuendet sich 1 paeckshen 9 pfund fuer: Frau F. Meiser, Berlin and Ball No. 136 (1 kiete) fuer Frau Frieda Mallmann, Ludwigslust [?], Germany. 19 January 1924. (2 pages legal size paper).

**Collection 2; Series VII**

**Subseries A: Lincoln & Russia AVRS Financial data & various bills, arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 1, No date

1. Account of money sent in by branch societies giving amount and location of society. No date.
2. List of donations for Colonies and amount sent by C.S.V.R.S. compiled by John Lebsack, Treasurer. No date.
3. Accounting of money given to people for lost clothing. Statement regarding monthly payments to Mrs. Volz. Computation of Miss Schmidt [sp?] salary. No date.
4. Statement of the balance (money) from freight of the first and second shipments of clothing. No date.
5. Handwritten statement of amount of people clothed from 2<sup>nd</sup> shipment of clothing in pounds. No date.
6. Scrap paper with figures and addition. No date. (2 sheets).
7. Funds received from out of town including towns and amount of money received. No date.
8. List of villages and amount of money collected by C.S.V.R.S. No date.
9. Statement regarding C.S.V.R.S. collection amounts of money and clothing (\$154,340.99). No date.
10. Financial Report. List of amount of money sent in from states (\$20,660.74); Statement regarding value and weight of first and second clothing shipments plus amount for bailing (\$40,922.46); statement of monetary receipts and expenses; statement of first and second clothing shipments including weight and value sent from Lincoln [Nebraska], and out of town; statement of amount of money sent in by Branch Societies. No date. (5 pages).
11. Handwritten notation on American Volga Relief Society letterhead. Includes amounts collected money and clothing and note regarding \$450.00 for Volz. No date.
12. Register tape of added figures. No apparent reference statement. No date.
13. Financial report for month of October to the 15<sup>th</sup> (no year mentioned) including receipts and expenses with balance of \$119.12. No date.
14. Western Union Telegraph Company. Bill for telegraph sent Dec 7 to Berlin. Does not contain any other information including year. No date.
15. Financial report on American Volga Relief Society letterhead of monies received (\$370.20) and drawn out (\$68.00) of account. Names include John Brehm, G. J.

- Rieker, Fred Kraining, A. C. Dewitz, Mrs. Eliz. Kilzer, Gottfried Uttecht, J. G. Eckhardt, Mrs. Clara Leucht, and Mrs. Sophia Kriete. No date.
16. Handwritten list written on Boehmer & Boehmer, Lawyers, Lincoln, Nebraska. List includes communities with contact person and amount (of donations), organized by state. No date. (8 pages - legal size paper).
  17. Handwritten spreadsheet on Boehmer & Boehmer Lawyers, Lincoln, Nebraska letterhead. Title of "1<sup>st</sup> Shipment", and numbers listed in multiple columns with Value and Weight. Communities listed include Hastings, Nebraska, Lincoln, McCook, Nebraska, and York [Nebraska]. Total value and weight for Hastings, Lincoln, York, Sutton, College View and McCook written on attached sheet. No date. (4 pages – 3 legal size and 1 8 ½ x 11).
  18. Handwritten spreadsheet on Boehmer & Boehmer Lawyers, Lincoln, Nebraska letterhead. Title of "2nd Shipment", and numbers listed in multiple columns with Value and Weight. Communities listed include, Lincoln, and Out of Town. Total value and weight for Lincoln, and Out of Town written on attached sheet. No date. (3 pages – 2 legal size and 1 8 ½ x 11).
  19. From Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co., Dr. Bill for services total \$11.29. No date.

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**Subseries A: Lincoln & Russia AVRS Financial data & various bills, arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 2, 1921

20. Financial Statement of Funds Received by Central States Volga Relief Society from communities in the United States for distribution in villages in Russia with total of \$15,500.00. 7 Oct. 1921.
21. Financial Statement from Central Sates Volga Relief Society. Statement has \$4,890.00 for General Fund, and lists several villages for total of \$15,500.00. 8 October 1921.
22. Financial Statement for November. Includes \$3,382.12 in General Fund and lists several villages for total of \$7,000.00. 16 November 1921.
23. Financial Statement for December. Includes \$5,394.00 in General Fund and lists several villages for total of \$7,500.00. 13 December 1921.

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**Subseries A: Lincoln & Russia AVRS Financial data & various bills, arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 3, 1922

24. Financial statement including amount in general fund, and amounts for specific villages. Total amount \$5,000.00. 12 January 1922.
25. Expense Account for Jacob Wagner. January 11, 1922 through February 10, 1922. (4 pages).
26. Financial statement including amount in general fund, and amounts for specific villages. Total amount \$15,000.00. 16 February 1922.
27. To "Gentlemen," Central States Volga Relief Society from Irving C. Lee, Russian Food Remittance Department, American Relief Administration. Letter acknowledging receipt of check for \$1,500.00 and states that food will be distributed to the designated colonies by Rev. Jacob Wagner and Mr. George Repp. Includes brief notes on back of document. 25 February 1922. (2 pages).

28. Financial Statement of the Central States Volga Relief Society. Typed report of finances along with an explanation of activities. Includes a handwritten accounting of amounts sent to the A.R.A. Report submitted by John Lebsock, Treasurer. 25 March 1922. (2 pages).
29. Invoice from Wekesser Company, Lincoln, Nebraska to Central States Volga Relief for copies of circular letter. Marked paid 4/13/22. 29 March 1922.
30. Invoice from Wekesser Company, Lincoln, Nebraska to Central States Volga Relief for envelopes. Marked paid 4/13/22. 8 April 1922.
31. Handwritten and typed copy of total amounts received for the General Fund and for individual colonies submitted by John Lebsock, Treasurer. 27 April 1922. (2 pages).
32. Western Union Telegram to N. E. Kearns, Chicago, Ill. from G. F. Daniels. Statement that traffic department cannot reduce carload rates for C.S.R.S. 6 July 1922.
33. Uniform Straight Bill of Lading, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company. Received from C.S.V.R.S. 22,000 lbs. of clothing and remitted to American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia, PA. 15 July 1922. (1 page, both sides).
34. Uniform Straight Bill of Lading, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company. Received from C.S.V.R.S. 24,200 lbs. of clothing and remitted to American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia, PA. 15 July 1922. (1 page, both sides).
35. Invoice from Tucker-Shean Jewelers, Opticians, Commercial Stationers for office supplies in amount of \$6.50. 13 November 1922.
36. M. H. Tilton Furniture Company, Lincoln, Neb. Order for office furniture for American Volga Relief Society. 13 November 1922.
37. Invoice from Tucker-Shean Jewelers, Opticians, Commercial Stationers for office supplies in amount of \$18.60. 14 November 1922.
38. Invoice from Tucker-Shean Jewelers, Opticians, Commercial Stationers for office supplies in amount of \$2.55. 16 November 1922.
39. Memo from Tucker-Shean Jewelers, Opticians, Commercial Stationers regarding use of binders. 27 November 1922.
40. Invoice from Tucker-Shean Jewelers, Opticians, Commercial Stationers for office supplies in amount of \$8.05. 27 November 1922.

## **Collection 2; Series VII**

### **Subseries A: Lincoln & Russia AVRS Financial data & various bills, arranged chronologically**

Box 2, Folder 4, 1923

41. Report regarding receipt of donations with names of donors and expenses for the society November 15, 1922 to January 1, 1923 with a balance of \$9,838.59. 19 January 1923. (2 pages).
42. From A.V.R.S. Handwritten page regarding financial statement of clothing sent to Russia in February 1923. Includes value, weight, number of bales, and additional costs. (Includes note with math figures). February 1923. (2 pages).
43. List of donors in the states with addresses and amount donated to A.V.R.S. 3 February 1923.
44. From Lincoln Tel. & Tel. Co. Dr. Telephone bill in amount of \$3.04. 20 Mar. 1923.
45. March 1923 Report of the American Volga Relief Society including accounting of monetary receipts, expenses, February bank balance and ending bank balance for March (\$5,059.86). 7 April 1923. (2 pages).

46. From Commissary, Moscow, Russia: Memorandum to the Accounting Division regarding Special Commissary Purchase Order No. 75 debited to J. Volz in amount of \$53.51. 11 April 1923.
47. From Tucker-Shean Jewelers, Opticians, Commercial Stationers, Lincoln, Nebr. Statement for office supplies. 13 April 1923.
48. Bill from C. J. Mosher Company Typewriters for ink, stencil and ribbons. 31 May 1923.
49. From Lincoln Tel. & Tel. Co. Dr. Telephone bill in amount of \$2.19. 20 July 1923.
50. From Tucker-Shean Jewelers, Opticians, Commercial Stationers, Lincoln, Nebr. Statement for sheets, multi – copy. 31 July 1923.
51. List of contributions received by The American Volga Relief Society since July 31, 1923. Gives names, community/state, and amounts. 31 July 1923. (3 pages – legal size paper).
52. From Lincoln Tel. & Tel. Co. Dr. Telephone bill in amount of \$4.80. 20 Aug, 1923.
53. From Tucker-Shean, Jewelers, Opticians, Stationers, Lincoln, Nebraska. Statement for badge and brooch for \$35.00. Paid Sep 28, 1923. 31 Aug. 1923.
54. From C. J. Mosher Co. Receipt for \$1.00 from A.V.R.S. 18 September 1923.
55. Tucker-Shean, Jewelers, Opticians, Stationers, Lincoln, Nebraska. Statement for office supplies in amount of \$.75. Paid Oct. 4, 1923. 28 Sep. 1923.
56. Bill from C. J. Mosher Company Typewriters for ink. 1 October 1923.
57. Statement from Lincoln Tel. & Tel. for telephone calls to Ill. and N.Y. marked paid 7 Dec. 1923. 20 Nov. 1923.
58. Receipt to C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz for amount of \$43.00. 27 November 1923.
59. Typed list of contributions from communities with name of representative, community, and amount received by the American Volga Relief Society since July 31, 1923 with handwritten correction of amounts. Includes balance sheet July 31 to Jan 31, accounting of relief work done by society and itemized expenses. Jan 1924. (5 pages – legal size paper).
60. Financial Statements: Expenditures August 1923-January 1924; Statement July 31, 1923 to Jan. 31, 1924; Report of American Volga Relief Society August 1923 – January 1924 with math figures on the back; Report of American Volga Relief Society July 1923 – Jan. 1924. February 1924. (5 pages).

## **Collection 2: Series VII**

### **Subseries B: Delivery Orders arranged chronologically 1923**

Box 3, Folder 1, 1923

1. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Two (2) separate orders. March 1923. (2 pages).
2. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Five (5) separate orders. 7 March 1923. (5 pages).
3. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Two (2) separate orders. 8 March 1923. (2 pages).
4. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. 9 March 1923.
5. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. 10 March 1923.
6. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Seventeen (17) separate orders. 13 March 1923. (17 pages).

7. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Twenty-Four (24) separate orders. 14 March 1923. (24 pages).

**Collection 2: Series VII**

**Subseries B: Delivery Orders arranged chronologically 1923**

Box 3, Folder 2, March 16, 1923

8. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Forty-five (45) separate orders. 16 March 1923. (45 pages).

**Collection 2: Series VII**

**Subseries B: Delivery Orders arranged chronologically 1923**

Box 3, Folder 3, March 17-26, May, July 1923

9. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Eighteen (18) separate orders. 17 March 1923. (18 pages).
10. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Three (3) separate orders. 20 March 1923. (3 pages).
11. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Three (3) separate orders. 21 March 1923. (3 pages).
12. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. Three (3) separate orders. 22 March 1923. (3 pages).
13. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. 26 March 1923.
14. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. 17 May 1923.
15. American Relief Administration, Russian Unit Food Remittance Division. Delivery Order. June [?] 1923.

**Collection 2: Series VII**

**Subseries C: Delivery Orders arranged chronologically 1924**

Box 3

1. Uniform Straight Bill of Lading, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company consigned to John Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebr. Receipt of 1 double bag of beans – 100 pounds from Conrad Schnell, Henry, Nebr. 9 January 1924. (1 page - both sides).
2. Uniform Straight Bill of Lading, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company consigned to John Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebr. Receipt of 1 bale old clothing from Wm. Bantel, Herrick, S.D. 11 January 1924. (1 page, both sides).

**Collection 2; Series IX: Minutes of meetings or Press Releases, arranged chronologically**

Box 3, Folder 1

1. Announcement of proceedings of conference to form a national relief society. Information includes number in attendance, name of society, national officers, and announcement of next meeting in Colorado. No date.
2. Report (or minutes) on Conference by Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Five pages typed in German. Includes names of officers (Wekesser, Roehrig, Wagner, Schmidt, and

- Stroh). One letter (attached) Rev. G. J. Schmidt regarding a report of the banquet. No date. (6 pages).
3. Report (or minutes) typed in German. May be an abbreviated copy, including report of the banquet. No date. (4 pages).
  4. Minutes of conference typed in English and translated from German (above 2 documents). Includes translated report of the banquet. No date. (6 pages).
  5. Announcement regarding a \$10,000 draft sent to the American Relief Administration, New York City from C.S.V.R.S in response to letter from Rev. Wagner in the famine area that the kitchens in Russia were closing due to lack of funds. Details on fund-raising effort by the C.S.V.R.S. Handwritten note indicates this announcement was in "*Star*" and "*Journal*" 3-14-22. 14 March 1922. (2 pages).
  6. Program for meeting at the City Auditorium including Rev. Henkelman, Dr. Wekesser, George Repp, and Lydia Hofferber. 17 Sept. 1922.
  7. Circular entitled "*Emergency Appeal from the President of the United States to Every American*" including several articles in relation to the starvation, disease and epidemic in Asia Minor. Flyer mentions "Campaign Dates – Nov. 8, 9, 10 – Near East Days." November 1922. (Printed on 11 x 17 paper. Folded and filed in 8 ½ x 11 file).

**Collection 2; Series X: Newspaper articles, arranged chronologically (if possible)**

Box 3, Folder 1

1. Partial article regarding the suffering of children. Another brief article with sub-heading "*No Famine Visible*" reports that there is food in the markets of Kazan and people are attending the opera. Title of newspaper is not apparent. No date.
2. Article entitled "*Speculate on Next Move in War Over Russian Relief*" printed from Washington news bulletin regarding issues of control of the Russian relief between Secretary of Commerce, Hoover, and Walter W. Liggett of Chicago representing the American Committee for Russian Relief. Title of newspaper is not apparent. No date.
3. To Editor, *California Forward* [sp – Forward], Fresno, Calif. from American Volga Relief Society. Letter to the Editor of the *California Forward* regarding the success of relief activities for Germany and thanking those who assisted in the clothing drive. From A.V.R.S. No date.
4. Article entitled "*Last Phase of Famine in Odessa's Cemetery.*" Title of newspaper is not apparent. No date.
5. Article entitled "*Russia Black Spot of East*" with sub-heading "*Deaths From Famine Mounting Higher Each Day.*" Title of newspaper is not apparent. No date.
6. Article entitled "*Pastor Jacob Wagner, Herr Gustav F. Beschorner [sp] in "Welt-Post"* – Adresse: Article written in German. No date.
7. Associated Press article to be published in Nebraska. Article urging families of German Russian's to refrain from encouraging families to immigrate and to use the services of the American Relief Administration to send food and clothing. No date.
8. Article from probably "*The Lincoln Star*" entitled "*Washington Parley Has Brought Sprirt of Xmas to the World.*" No mention of Volga famine or relief activities. Date apparently November 1921.
9. Article from Sunday issue, November 21, 1921 [?], in "*The Lincoln Sunday Star*" entitled "*Snow-Covered Russia a White Cemetery For Hordes of Starving*

- Inhabitants.*” Multi-column article regarding the famine in Russia. Possible date 21 November 1921.
10. Article from Tuesday issue, November 29, 1921, in “*The Lincoln Star*” entitled “*Starving Thousands Dying in Great White Loneliness of Russia.*” 29 Nov. 1921. (2 sleeves).
  11. Article from Sunday issue December 4, 1921 in “*The Lincoln Sunday Star*” entitled “*Russia, Isolated by Snow Slowly Starving to Death.*” Multi-column article regarding famine in Russia. 4 December 1921. (2 sets, 2 sleeves each).
  12. Article from Sunday issue December 11, 1921 in “*The Lincoln Sunday Star*” entitled “*European Reaction to Hughes’ Naval Disarmament Proposal One of Hope.*” No mention of Volga famine or relief efforts. 11 Dec. 1921. (2 sleeves).
  13. Article by Chas. Bremicker to Editor of “*Hastings Daily Tribune.*” Poem regarding the fund raising for the Volga famine. Article has handwritten note attached addressed to Mr. Wekesser from H. A. Hein. Page number and date of article is not included. No date – 1922 [?]. (2 sleeves).
  14. Article entitled “*Starving Multitudes are Looking to America for Help.*” Three column article informing of the work of the Central States Volga Relief Society and includes a letter from Messer, Province of Saratow, Russia, New Year 1922 written by Rev. Eduard Eichhorn. Publication and exact date of publication not available. No date – reference 1922. (Two copies – one in larger font).
  15. Full page article titled “*Millions Starving in Russia*” with sub articles. Six columns, full page. “*The Lincoln State Journal,*” Sunday, February 5, 1922. 5 February 1922.
  16. Article (possibly in *Lincoln Star or Journal* after March 14, 1922). Titled “*National Relief Society Formed.*” 14 March 1922.
  17. Half page ad/article by Central States Volga Relief Society entitled “*Millions Are Starving in Russia.*” Includes letters of support. Three columns, no page number or title of paper. March 1922.
  18. Article in “*The Lincoln Star*” entitled “*Many Efforts at Relief Prove to be Ineffectual.*” Article contains information from Rev. Wagner on how and what to send for relief efforts. Page 2, Column 3 and 4. 31 March 1922.
  19. Article (multi-column) entitled “*Omahans Asked to Aid Thousands Starving in Russia Volga Region*” in “*The Bee: Omaha,*” Sunday April 2, 1922. No page number. 2 April 1922.
  20. Article in *Lincoln Daily Star* entitled “*Sees End of Famine.*” 7 April 1922.
  21. Article entitled “*Goodrich Depicts Russia to Harding*” printed in *New York Times*, April 21. Article has a typed notation on margin “Dear Doctor Wekesser: Think this report from N. Y. Times will interest you. Sincerely. Val. J. Peter. 21 April 1922. (Year is assumed due to content of article). Legal folder).
  22. Announcement that the Central States Volga Relief Society had sent a draft for \$7,600 to A.R.A. and that 20% of the relief efforts comes through the A.R.A. 28 April 1922.
  23. Article entitled “*Exhibit Funds Go for Relief.*” One column. No page number or title of publication. May 1922.
  24. Article in “*The Lincoln Star*” entitled “*Transportation Great Problem regarding food sent to Russia and problems with distribution.*” Page number not available. 5 May 1922.
  25. Announcement that Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Wekesser entertained at a dinner in their home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George Repp. Includes announcement of other gatherings for Mr. and Mrs. Repp. 16 Sept. 1922.

26. Article from Nebraska City, Nebr, 18 Oct. 1922 written in German. Publication title and page number not available. 18 Oct. 1922.
27. Half page announcement of Conference on November 3-5 in Lincoln, Nebr. "*Omaha Tribune.*" Page number not available. 20 October 1922.
28. Short article in German in "*Omaha Tribune.*" Page number and column number not available. 21 October 19[22].
29. Full length article, 1 column (2 sides) in German type. New Ulm, Minn, 14 Nov. 1922.
30. Announcement for 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary celebration for Mr. and Mrs. George J. Stroh from Lincoln. Date and publication of article is not included. February 1956.
31. Newspaper column by Wally Provost in "*Omaha World-Herald*" Tuesday, July 15, 1975. Includes short articles entitled "*Ethnic Explorations*", and "*Will Pesek Do the Polka?*", "*Sean O'Grady on the Rise*", "*Actually, they were Germans*" and "*Schwartzkopf Brothers Know.*" 15 July 1975.

### **Collection 2; Series XI, Policies**

Box 3, Folder 1

1. A Statement of Policy A.R.A. Document outlining eight (8) guidelines and provides direction for procedure for distribution of food, clothing and medical supplies. Statement that letters from families in the famine area mention only American Relief Administration. No date.
2. A Statement of Policy from Edgar Rickard outlining eight (8) statements of policy regarding the formation and work of the society. No date.

### **Collection 2; Series XII: CVRS/AVRS Odds & Ends – items that are in the files with no obvious topics**

Box 3, Folder 1

1. The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States. Blank form for providing correct address for premium notice. No date.
2. R. G. Dun & Co. Blank form "Statement as a Basis for Credit Made to The Mercantile Agency – R.G. Dun & Co." Application for credit. No date. (2 pages).
3. R. G. Dun & Co. Blank form "Reference Inquiry, R. G. Dun & Co." requesting information from potential client regarding business. No date.
4. Empty envelope addressed to R. G. Dun & Co., Lincoln, NEB. No date.
5. Partial (torn) receipt "Paid on Account" with "Lebsack Jr." printed at top. No date.
6. Western Union Telegram. Blank Western Union Telegram form. No date. (1 page – front and back).
7. Blank envelope with Central States Volga Relief Society return address. No date
8. Handwritten note on Dr. Wekesser's prescription form. Notation "Gov. J. P. Goodrich, Winchester, Ind. No date.
9. Roster of 6 names. Includes form for roster of names and sheet with names (same as on the roster) crossed off. No apparent topic. No date. (2 pages).
10. List of 6 names with addresses. Includes Schneider, Guenther, Ostwald, Jurk, Meier, and Ruppel. No apparent purpose. No date.
11. Envelope with return address for Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D.C. No date.
12. Mailing list with 35 names and their communities. No date. (2 pages).



13. Correspondence between Walter S. Whitten and H. F. McIntosh.  
**Letter 1:** To Walter S. Whitten, Sec., Chamber of Commerce, Lincoln, Nebraska from H. F. McIntosh, Manager, Agricultural Bureau, Omaha, Nebraska. Letter explaining that news of a delegation of Russians from Lincoln are planning to go to Washington D.C. to persuade the relief commission to use Nebraska corn for relief efforts and requesting information on how to get involved. 31 Aug. 1921.  
**Letter 2:** To Mr. H. F. McIntosh, Mgr., Agricultural Bureau, Omaha, Nebr. from W. S. Whitten. Letter acknowledging receipt of letter in regard to the "Korn Kranks" to be included in relief efforts and informing Mr. McIntosh that the letter will be referred to Dr. Wekesser. 1 September 1921.
14. To Mr. Will Owen Jones, *Nebraska State Journal*, Lincoln, Nebraska from Charles Reavis, Treasury Department, Washington [D.C.]. Letter on Treasury Department Bureau of the Budget letterhead, Washington, acknowledging receipt of letter of October 5<sup>th</sup> and plans to advocate for Dr. Wekesser. 12 October 1921.
15. Envelope from Rev. F. G. Mertins, Chicago, [Illinois] to Dr. H. P. Wekesser. 31 Oct. 1922.
16. Receipt # 52051 for insured mail. 25 Jul, 1923.
17. Typed list of "*Colonies to Whom Letters Were Sent*" including Wiesenseite, Omsk, Smarskai Gow., Okmolenck. Ob. Tomskoi Gow., and Bergeseite. Page 2 indicates "sent October 5". Pages 1 and 3 indicate "sent 27, 1923. 27 Sept. 1923. (3 pages).
18. Handwritten list of colonies. Purpose not expressed. 27 September 1923. (4 pages).
19. To American Volga Relief Society, Lincoln, Nebraska from Deutsches Rotes Krenz, Berlin. Torn envelope. 24 May 1924.
20. Receipt for Registered Article No. 75848 (Name Erbes on back), 75849 (Name Kluck on back), 75850 (Name Gorcael [sp] on back). Postal stamp Lincoln, Nebr. 28 May 1924 on receipt. (1page – printed on both sides).
21. Unaddressed envelope with American Volga Relief Society typed on return address. 28 May 1924.
22. Two Remittance Receipts No. 822527 in amount of \$4.42 dated 3/15/1924 and 388611 in amount of \$8.84 dated 5/31/1924. Both receipts indicate monies sent to Peter Sinner, Am. Volga Relief. Receipts have "Dominion Express Co. Foreign Cheque printed on them. 31 May 1924. (2 receipts – front and back each).
23. Envelope addressed to American Volga Relief Society from Mrs. Eva M. Metz, Miranda, So. Dakota. Two (2) 2 cent stamps. 17 July 1924. (2 sleeves).
24. To Mr. Ziebarth c/o Utah-Idaho Sugar Co., Chinook, Mont. Letter inquiring whether the sugar company has been in contact with Mr. Leedy of The Great Northern regarding colonizing the beetland with the Volga-German people. 8 May 1930.
25. To Mr. Philip Sterkel, Arapahoe, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter asking that more German people be encouraged to order the *Welt Post* for \$3.00 a year. 14 Aug. 1930.
26. To Mr. & Mrs. Henry Kauffman, Scottsbluff, Nebr. From Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter acknowledging that the money order had been received and discusses options for sending the money to their sister in Frank Russia. Letter indicates that sister is now in "Paksofska." 4 July 1931.
27. Correspondence between Whitney Gilliland from Foreign Claims Settlement Commission and Adolph Lebsack.

- Letter 1:** To American Relief Society, Lincoln, Nebraska, Attention: Mr. Adolph Lebsack from Whitney Gilliland, Chairman, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D.C. Letter discussing the procedure for filing a claim for losses in Russia. Letter indicates enclosure which is not included. 25 November 1955.
- Letter 2:** To Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D.C. Attention Whitney Gilliland, Chairman from Adolph Lebsack. Letter requesting an official form for filing claims for losses. The letter refers to letter dated January 11, 1935 to Hon. George W. Norris, and is a response to letter from Gilliland dated November 25, 1955. 8 December 1955.
28. Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington, D. C. Partially filled out form providing information in regard to request for settlement. 28 December 1955. (6 pages – legal size paper).
  29. To Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D.C. Attention Whitney Gilliland, Chairman from Adolph Lebsack. Letter requesting report on Claim SOV-40074 which Lebsack had filed. 21 February 1956.
  30. Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington, D. C. Claim No. SOV-40,492, Decision No. SOV- 9 signed by Whitney Gilliland, Chairman, Pearl Carter Pace, Commissioner and Henry J. Clay, Commissioner. Proposed decision of the commission in the matter of the claim of Walter J. Zuk, Kensington, Connecticut. 5 November 1956. (4 pages – legal size paper).
  31. To Adolph Lebsack, Lincoln, Nebraska from Robert A. Kennedy, Executive Director, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D. C. Letter informing of decision by the commission regarding Claim No. SOV-40,074, Decision No. SOV-19. Claim was denied. 14 November 1956. (2 pages, 1 legal size, 1 8 ½ x 11).
  32. To Adolph Lebsack, Lincoln, Nebraska from Whitney Gilliland, Chairman, Pearl Carter Pace, Commissioner and Henry J. Clay, Commissioner, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D. C. Letter informing Mr. Lebsack of the final decision on Claim No. SOV-440,074, Decision No. SOV-19. Claim is denied since no response was received regarding the 14 November, 1956 letter informing of decision. 6 Feb. 1957.
- Letter attached to:** To Adolph Lebsack, Lincoln, Nebraska from Robert A. Kennedy, Executive Director, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D. C. Half page letter included with certified copy of Commission's Final Decision of Claim No. SOV-40,074, Decision No. 19. Envelope from Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Washington D. C. is included. 13 February 1957. (Legal size paper – 1 page legal size, 1 8 1/2 x 11 and 1 envelope).

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text. Arranged by year, then chronologically.**

Box 3, Folder 1, No date

1. Letter or report typed in German on American Volga Relief Society letterhead. Mentions several names and villages. Draft copy. No date or author.
2. Letter handwritten in German. No date, addressee, or author. (8 pages).
3. From Dr. H. P. Wekesser and Rev. G. J. Schmidt. Three page document typed in German. Gives numerous names (probably attendees [?]). No date. (3 pages).
4. Announcement regarding Pastor Jakob Wagner at a banquet. Typed in German. No date.

5. From Pastor Johannes Schleuning, Rusland. Page 2 or 3 on Pastor Schleuning's letterhead. Contains English and German text. Document contains item number 4. No apparent addressee. No date.
6. From F.A. Lorenz, Marion, Kansas (on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead). Handwritten letter in German and mentions date of Oktober 24. No year indicated. No date.
7. From P. Sinner and J. P. Luft, Saratov, Russia. Letter handwritten in German (10 pages) and typed copy in German. No date. (13 pages).
8. Letter typed in German with title "An Die Zweigvereine Der Wolga [sp]. No apparent addressee or author. Letter mentions George Repp from Portland, Oregon and Pastor Jacob Wagner. No date. (2 pages).
9. Half page (partial) letter typed in German. Mentions "American Volga Relief Society," London, Moscow, and Pastor Wagner. No apparent author. No date.
10. Six-point document typed in German. "Beschluesse" typed at top of letter. Mentions Herr G. Repp from Portland, Oregon, Pastor J. Wagner. "Signed Eure Kommittee." No date.
11. To Leibe Freunde from G. J. Schmidt, Sec. der Amer Vol Relief Society. Letter typed in German with title "Dringender Aufruf Der American Volga Relief Society Zur Kleidersammlung." No date.
12. From Adam Brill, Toledo, Ohio. Letter handwritten in German. No date. (2 pages).
13. Letter typed in German, page 4. (Pages 1-3 not included). Letter mentions Brüder Repp, Wagner, and Volz. Letter also mentions several states, and \$500 in regard to Pastor Wagner. No addressee or author. No date.
14. To American Relief Society from Mrs. H. Stilles, Dak Fairfax. Letter handwritten in German with envelope. No date. (3 pages – 1 page letter, 1 envelope front and back).
15. To An die Kolonie Saratov, Ruzland from American Relief Society. Letter entitled "Ist weitere Hilfe bei euch noetig?" Letter mentions Volga-Deutsche in America, George Repp, Pastor Wagner, and Jakob Volz, and 4 numbered statements. No date.
16. To M. Hankel Linotyping Co., Chicago, Ill. Letter typed in German mentions Pastor Kobold and Dr. Weckesser. No date.
17. To Mr. Henry Klein, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions dollar amounts of \$17.00 and \$13.10. No date.
18. From Dr. H. P. Wekesser, President and Rev. G. J. Schmidt, Sekretaer. Letter typed in German with title of "Hochwichtige Nachricht Fuer Alle Woga-Deutschen Und Deren Freunde in Amerika." No date. (2 pages).
19. H. Tober, Printer and Publisher, "California Vorwärts." Cardstock Postcard printed in German with short message and place to sign name and address. No date.
20. Spezial ßrobe Offerte "California ßorwärts." Postcard to sign up for item for \$.50. No date.
21. Flyer printed in German entitled "Der breite und der Fchmale Weg." Fifteen stanza poem by Thr. Hofmann. No date.
22. From Adolph. Full page letter handwritten in German on American Volga Relief Society Executive Office letterhead and mentions Laurell, Park City, and Billings, Mt., *die Welt Post* and Wolga Reliefe So. No apparent addressee. No date. (3 pages).

23. From American Volga Relief Society. Letter titled "*Dankabstattung der American Volga Relief Society zu Lincoln, Nebr.*" typed in German. Letter mentions Pastor Wagner and Jacob Volz. No date.

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Box 3, Folder 2, 1921

1. From C.S.V.R.S., F.A. Lorenz, Schreiber and Rev. Jacob Wagner, Finanz-Sekretär. Letter typed in German – no apparent recipient. 12 September 1921.
2. From J. Sitz. Note handwritten in German. 30 September 1921.
3. To Herr Doktor Wekesser from Pastor Johannes Schleuning, Marion, Kansas. 2 page letter typed in German. 8 Nov. 1921. (2 pages).
4. To H. P. Wekesser from Mr. B. Ostermuller, Newark, N.J. Two page letter handwritten in German on Hilfs-Verein der Wolga-Deutschen von Newark, N. J. letterhead. 13 November 1921. (2 pages).
5. To H. P. Wekesser from Mr. B. Ostermuller, Newark, N.J. Letter handwritten in German on Hilfs-Verein der Wolga-Deutschen von Newark, N. J. letterhead.. 1 Dec. 1921.
6. To Herr Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Pastor Johannes Schleuning, Wilson, Kansas. 2 page letter typed in German. 3 Dez. 1921. (2 pages).

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Box 3, Folder 3, 1922 (Separated by months into 5 folders)

1. From Cony Becker, Lingle, Wyo. Letter handwritten in German. Added notation that food drafts sent 1-17-22. Jan 1922. (2 pages).
2. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Rev. A [?]unning, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Postcard typed in German. 24 January 1922. (Postcard – front and back).
3. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Postcard handwritten in German. 25 January 1922. (Postcard – front and back).
4. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from J. Schleuning, Ft. Collins, Colorado. Letter typed in German. 3 Feb. 1922. (2 pages).
5. To Rev. Jacob Wagner. (Copy for Dr. H. P. Wekesser) from Arthur Kluck, Pastor from Frank [Russia]. 6 March 1922. (2 pages).
6. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from G. Eus [?], Moundridge, Kansas. Letter handwritten in German on The Mennonite Russian Bible Society of North America letterhead. 27 March 1922.
7. From Henry Becker, Veneta, Oregon. Note handwritten in German. 30 March 1922. (2 pages).
8. To Freund, Dr. Wekesser from John Eitel, Timken, Kansas. Letter handwritten in German and mentions *the Welt Post* and George Eitel. Includes notation at bottom "25 cards sent 4-13-22." 7 Apr. 1922. (2 pages).
9. From A. Wenkelmann, Secretary. Letter handwritten in German. 24 April 1922.
10. To Pastor Schmidt from Mrs. Joseph E. K. Wittmann, Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter handwritten in German on Local Relief Committee for Central Europe letterhead. 8 June 1922.
11. To Dr. Wekesser from Adolph Lebsack, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Letter handwritten in German on Adam Eckhart, Shoemaker letterhead. Letter mentions Adam Eckhart, Pastor Schmidt, and several communities in Nebraska and Colorado. 11 June 1922. (2 pages).

12. From A. Lebsack, Jr., Greeley, Colo. Letter handwritten in German. 12 June 1922. (2 pages).
13. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from A. Lebsack, Jr., Greeley, Colo. Letter handwritten in German and mentions Greeley, and Ft. Morgan, Colorado, Brush, and McCook, Nebraska. 14 June 1922.
14. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from A. Lebsack, Jr., Greeley, Colo. Letter handwritten in German and mentions David Kisslin, Rev. J. H. Ament, Geo. H. Graf, W. Strauch, Elias Hergert, K. L. Stahl. Letter provides some addresses. 15 June 1922. (2 pages).
15. To H. P. Wekesser from John Ehrlich, Marion, Kansas. Letter handwritten in German. 17 June 1922.
16. To Mr. Wekesser from Hilfs-Verein der Wolga-Deutshcen, Newark, N.J. Letter handwritten in German. 17 June 1922.
17. To H. Wekesser from J. Staerkel, Topeka, Kans. Letter handwritten in German. 24 June 1922. (2 pages).
18. To Rev. H. J. Loeb sack, Moscow, Russia from H. P. Wekesser. Letter typed in German and mentions the American Friends Service Committee (Quakers). 28 June 1922.
19. From Heinrich Wekesser. Letter typed in German. No apparent addressee. "Mr. Lorenz Welt Post City" handwritten at top and other notations made on bottom of letter. 8 July 1922.
20. From Rodsn [?]. Letter handwritten in German. No apparent addressee. 24 July 1922.
21. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from F. Ostertag, Scottsbluff, Nebr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions A.R.A. Administration. 11 Aug. 1922.
22. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres. C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratov, Russia. 2 page letter typed in German and makes reference to a telegram and Mr. Gregg, Direktor for Saratov, Mr. Beschorner, Rev. Wacker from Norka and Mr. Haskell. 16 Sept. 1922. (2 pages).
23. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Pres., C.S.V.R.S. from Jacob Volz, Saratov, Russia. Letter typed in German and mentions Rev. Wagner, and Pastor Gunther. Also mentions several Volga villages including Kutter, Denhof, Bauer, Merkel, Kratzka, and Dittel. 23 Sept. 1922. (3 pages with corrections).
24. "Eine Verantwortung ueber die Arbeit und Arbeiter der "American Volga Relief Society." Letter typed in German. Includes statement of American Volga Relief Society – Oct. 14, 1922 – 206 lines (15 cents per line) . . \$30.50 and Oct. 24, 1922 – 50 % of 1000 "sample" copies . . \$20.00. Also mentions Portland and Lincoln. No addressee or signature. October 1922. (4 pages).
25. Letter handwritten in German with American Volga Relief Society Rev. Wagner at the top of the page and includes several signatures. Includes 3 pages of spreadsheet handwritten in German. October 1922. (Legal paper – 5 pages - 2 pages legal size and 3 pages oversize sheet.).
26. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from J. [?] Klein, Winnipeg, Canada. Letter handwritten in German. 2 October 1922. (2 pages).
27. From Henry Reitz. Letter handwritten in German. 18 October 1922. (2 pages).
28. To Herr Wekesser from John Ehrlich, Marion, Kansas. Letter handwritten in German. 25 Oct, 1922.
29. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Geo. Loeb sack, Sect., Waterville, Washington. Letter handwritten in German. 25 Oct. 1922.

30. To Mr. H. P. Wekesser, Dr. from O. Zdunek, Pastor Congregational Church, North Milwaukee, Wis. Letter handwritten in German. Includes envelope. 30 Oct. 1922. (2 pages – 1 page letter, 1 envelope).
31. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Rev. E. Hergert, Fort Collins, Colorado. Letter typed in German on Volga Relief Society letterhead. Includes envelope. 30 Okt. 1922. (2 pages – 1 letter, 1 envelope).
32. To Dr. Wekesser from Pastor Fred Loffler, Wakeeney, Kansas. Short letter typed in German and includes the names Jakob Bauer, Georg Bauer, Heinrich Schneider, and Christian Flegler. 30 Oktober 1922.
33. To Herr Doktor from H. G. Zorn [?], Brush, Colo. Postcard typed in German. 30 Oct. 1922. (Postcard – front and back).
34. Envelope addressed to Dr. H. P. Wekesser. 30 Okt. 1922.
35. To Friend Wekesser from H. A. Bernhardt, Lost Springs, Kans. Letter dated 10/30 handwritten in German and includes envelope. 31 Oct. 1922.
36. From Fred Schneider, Fond Du Loc, Wisconsin. Typed letter. 31 Oct. 1922. (1 page, 1 envelope).
37. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Herry Stroh, Grand Island, Neb. (Note: envelope attached may not go with letter). Letter handwritten in German. 31 Oct. 1922. (2 pages and 1 envelope).
38. To Dr. Wekesser from J. Schuening [sp], Ft. Morgan, [Colorado]. Short note handwritten in German. 31 Okt. 1922.
39. Letter typed in German with heading “Freudige Nachricht fuer alle Wolga-Deutschen: Oder.” Mentions November 3-5 and includes name and address for Dr. H. P. Wekesser, President and Rev. G. J. Schmidt. November 1922. (2 pages).
40. From Dr. H. P. Wekesser, Central States Volga Relief Society, Lincoln, Nebraska, and John W. Miller, Volga Relief Society, Portland, Oregon. Series of edited paragraphs with note “Half Page Ad” at the top. Typed in German. November 1922. (2 pages).
41. From Presidents Dr. Henry P. Wekesser, C.S.V.R.S., Lincoln, Nebraska and John W. Miller, Volga Relief Society, Portland, Oregon. Two column letter entitled “Un die Bereine [sp] der Wolga Relief Societies” typed in German. Letter includes announcement of the convention in Lincoln, November 3-5, 1922. November 1922. (2 pages).
42. To Lieben Landsleute. Letter typed in German with heading “Hoch-Wichtige Bekanntmachung Fuer Alle Wolga-Deutsche and refers to the Konferenz in Lincoln, Nebraska November 3, 4, and 5. November 1922.
43. From J. J. Kline. Ft. Collins, Colorado. Letter handwritten in script and includes envelope. 1 Nov. 1922. (1 page letter, 1 envelope).
44. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from Rev. Karl Kraft, Worden, Montana. Letter handwritten in German. 2 November 1922.
45. To Dr. Henry P. Wekesser from John Kroeger, Winnipeg, Canada. Letter handwritten in German. 2 November 1922.
46. From Dr. H. P. Wekesser. Letter entitled “Hilfsarbeit der Amerikaner Relief Administration in Russland, Nicht Eingestellt” on C.S.V.R.S. letterhead. Letter is typed in German and includes photocopy of newspaper article by Frank C. Page, Assistant Secretary dated 9 Oct 1922 and reference note to Dr. Morehead, N.L.C., New York. Five page draft is also included. No apparent recipient. 2 November 1922. (10 pages - 5 page draft and 5 page letter).
47. From Dr. Henry P. Wekesser, President C.S.V.R.S. addressed to “Liebe Brueder.” Three page document typed in German entitled “An Die Vereine Der Wolga-

- Relief Societies, Sowie an Alle Deutschrusslander Gemeinden, Wolga-Deutschen, Deren Freunde Und Goenner Des Wolga Hilfswerks." Signed by Dr. Wekesser and includes typed signature of John W. Miller, President Volga Relief Society, Portland, Ore. 3-5 November 1922. (3 pages).
48. Five page document typed in German signed by J. Rothenberger, Schreiber. Possibly minutes of the meetings 3-5 Nov. 1922. (5 pages).
  49. Announcement of meetings held in Lincoln, Nebraska 3 – 5, 1922. One page typed in German and signed by J. Rothenberger, Schreiber. November 1922.
  50. From Presidents John W. Miller and Dr. Henry P. Wekesser. Letter typed in German addressed to "Liebe Brüder". 3-5 November 1922. (2 pages).
  51. To Dr. H. Wekesser from Rev. J. Rothenberger, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Letter typed in German. 9 November 1922.
  52. To Mr. Reitz, Paxton, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsock Jr. (Handwritten German script). 22 Nov. 1922.
  53. To Professor Peter Sinner, Saratov, Russia from H. P. Wekesser. Letter typed in German. 23 Nov. 1922.
  54. From Rev. G. J. Schmidt. 4 page letter to Dr. Heinrich Peter Wekesser. (Typed). 15 Dec 1922. (4 pages).
  55. From Johannes Schamber and Joseph Noosmann, Secretar. Letter typed in German entitled "Dankesschreiben an Die American Volga Relief Society November 1921 bis December 1922." Saratov, Russland. 15 December 1922. (2 pages).
  56. From G. J. Schmidt, Secretary. Letter typed in German. 15 December 1922.
  57. To American Volga Relief Society from F. Wacker, Pastor, Norka, Russland. Letter typed in German. 17 Dec. 1922. (3 pages).
  58. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from P. Sinner, Saratov. Letter typed in German. 20 Dec. 1922.
  59. To "Liebe Freunde." Letter entitled "Aufruf!" typed in German on American Volga Relief Society letterhead. 22 Dec. 1922.
  60. From G. J. Schmidt, Sekretar, A.V.R.S. Letter written in German providing biography of Dr. Heinrich Peter Wekesser. 28 December 1922. (4 pages).

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Box 4, Folder 4: 1923

1. To A.V.R.S. from Jakob Conradi, Schulmeister in Franker-Chuter [Russia]. Letter written in German and mentions several names, talks about children [kinder], and reports on amount of produce. 12 January 1923. (3 pages).
2. Announcement [?] typed in German. Two pages and 2 documents together. Names mentioned include Pastor J. H. Amen from Greeley, Colorado in first document, Dr. H. P. Wekesser, President, and Rev. G. J. Schmidt, Sekretar at conclusion of 2<sup>nd</sup> document. (Dr. Wekesser passed away in 1922). Date mentioned 15 January 1923. (2 pages).
3. To armen Schulmeister tut from G. J. Schmidt, Scty. Letter typed in German entitled "Was die Americak Volga Relief Society fuer die." May be response to handwritten letter from Eduard Pinscher, Schuelmeister, Biedek, [Russia]. 20 Febuar, 1923. (3 pages).
4. To American Volga Relief Society from Distribution Committee in Kukkus [Russia]. Letter handwritten in German dated 13 March 1923 and includes several names. Includes translation of the letter. 13 March 1923. (2 pages).
5. To American Volga Relief Society from Saratov, Russia. One page of 2 or mores pages typed in German text discussing food drafts and names several villages.

- Additional pages are not included. Author is not given and may be from Jacob Volz. 15 March 1923.
6. Liste for the distribution in Village Stepneye, (Stahl), according to Mr. Jacob Volz, A.R.A. Representative. Includes note of thanks from the villagers for 6 packages. Opening information and note of thanks have been translated. List includes 109 names and numbers in columns. 18 March, 1923. (5 pages – 4 pages on 11x17 paper folded into “booklet” and 1 half page translated note).
  7. Correspondence between G. J. Schmidt, and possibly Jacob Volz. Series of 3 letters on 2 pages. 2 May 1923. (2 pages).
 

**Letter 1:** To Freunde from G. J. Schmidt, Sekretaer der A.V.R.S. Letter addressed to “Freunde” responding to letter sent to Mr. Schmidt from Saratov, Russland, Maerz 16, 1923. The May 2 letter mentions B. Volz. 2 May 1923.

**Letter 2:** To G. J. Schmidt from Saratov, Russland. Letter typed in German and mentions several villages and food drafts. Letter may be from Jacob Volz. 16 Maerz 1923.

**Letter 3:** To An die American Volga Relief Society from Saratow, Russia. Letter typed in German and attached to letters dated Maerz 16 and May 2, 1923. Letter mentions Pastor J. Grasmueck, Herr Volz, and several villages. 15 Maerz 1923.
  8. To A.V.R.S. from P. Sinner. Letter handwritten in German and mentions Jacob (Mr. Volz), and Pastor Schmidt, the *Welt Post* and villages, including Schilling. (May be reference for handwritten letter from Jacob Volz dated June 19, 1923 – Series III. Includes three (3) pages typed from the handwritten copy. 5 May 1923. (11 pages - 8 pages handwritten and 3 pages typed).
  9. Liste from Balzer. Ten (10) page “booklet” giving names and other information from the village of Balzer handwritten in German. 26 Mai 1923. (10 pages legal size paper made into booklet).
  10. To Freunde from G. J. Schmidt, Sekretaer der A.V.R.S. Letter regarding information about receipt of clothing shipment from (Jacob) Volz. 8 June 1923.
  11. To A.V.R.S. from P. Sinner. Letter handwritten in German and mentions several villages. 12 June 1923. (5 pages).
  12. To Freunde, A.V.R.S. from G. J. Schmidt, Sekretaer der A.V.R.S. Letter written in German regarding upcoming events including Konferenz 22 and 23 August. 11 July 1923.
  13. Correspondence between Arthur Kluck, Pastor from Frank, [Russia], Jacob Volz, American Volga Relief Society, and Kirchenvormünder - J. Reinhardt and C. Lind; Voreitzender des Hilfalcmitttee – T. Miller; and Schulmiester – Willem Keller. Series of four letters. 15 August 1923. (4 pages).
 

**Letter 1:** To Jacob Volz from Arthur Kluck, Pastor in Frank. Letter written in German. 15 Aug. 1923.

**Letter 2:** To American Volga Relief Society. Letter typed in German and may be from Jacob Volz. Includes a list of names from Hussenbach dated Mai 10, 1923. No date.

**Letter 3:** To American Volga Relief Society. Letter typed in German and includes reference to Matt.25-36. May be a report on church activities from Jacob Volz. 25 May 1923.

**Letter 4:** To American Volga Relief Society from J. Reinhardt, C. Lind, T. Miller, and Willem Keller. Letter typed in German and mentions other committee members as well as Jacob Volz. No date.



14. From G. J. Schmidt, Sekretär der A.V.R.S. Three announcements typed in German regarding travel plans for Jacob Volz, request for use of automobile for Jacob Volz, and announcement of Wolga-Konferenz to be held in Greeley, Colorado August 22 and 23, 1923. August 1923. (3 pages).
15. American Relief Society Programm for Konferenz der Wolga-Deutschen Amerikas 22 and 23 August, 1923.
16. To Freunde from H. J. Amen A.V.R.S. President. Letter typed in German with heading "Soll Br. Jakob Volz zu Euch Kommen?" 5 September 1923.
17. From American Relief Society. Letter entitled "Ist Weitere Hilfe Bei Euch Noetig?" and addressed to An Die Kolonie Saratov, Ruzland. Letter mentions Repp and includes a series of four (4) questions. 24 September 1923.
18. To John Roehrig from Rev. W. F. H. Heuer, Grace Ev-Luth. Church, Hebron, Neb. Letter handwritten in German regarding a \$5.00 donation to the C.S.V.R.S. (includes receipt from C.S.V.R.S. and addressed envelope from Mr. Heuer. 29 October 1923. (3 pages – 1 each - letter, receipt and envelope).
19. From Frank Trietsch, Langer, Texas. Letter written in German Script. 30 October 1923. (2 pages).

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Box 4, Folder 5: 1924

1. "*Ullerlei Freud und Leid.*" Half page pamphlet typed in German. Four (4) pages. Includes envelope addressed to American Volga Relief Society from Walphenhaus und Erziehungsanfalt Godesheim. 1924. (4 half pages, 1 envleope).
2. To American Relief Society, John Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebraska from Otto Mundkowski, Loveland, Okla. Letter handwritten in German and includes short list of number of items and dollar amounts. 7 January 1924.
3. To John Rohrig from Conrad Schnell, Torrington, Wyo. Letter handwritten in German. Includes envelope. 13 January 1924. (1 page and 1 envelope).
4. To Mr. John Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebraska from Mrs. Eva M. Metz, Miranda, South Dakota. Letter handwritten in German and includes name and address of Frau Helena Gimpl, München, Bayern, Germany. 14 January 1924. (3 pages).
5. To John Rohrig from Mrs. Barrtel, Merrick, S. Dak. Letter handwritten in German. 11 January 1924.
6. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135899. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Herrn K. von Ritterholm, Berlin. 20 February 1924.
7. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135861. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Paul Gerhardt-Stift, Berlin. 20 February 1924.
8. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15698. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Wwe. Gesche Schlichting. Sender is American Volga Relief Society, Lincoln. 6 March 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
9. To American Volga Relief Society from Deutsches Rotes Kreuz, Belin, Germany. Card typed in German. 9 April 1924.
10. To American Volga Relief Society from Zweigverein v. Roten Kreuz in Essen-Stadt. Letter typed in German and makes reference to 25 Dollar. 11 April 1924.
11. To [?] Professor from Wally Tümena [sp], Charlostrustr [?]. Letter written in German. Attached receipt from Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz, Berlin, Germany. Spender American Volga Relief Society, Lincoln, Nebr. Amount – 10 Dollar, 42 Rentenmark. 26 March 1924 with handwritten note. 12 April 1924. (3 pages).

12. From John Dell, Lincoln, Nebraska. Note handwritten in German regarding receipt of \$27.00 from Pastor Krause, Berlin, Germany. 8 May 1924.
13. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135959. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Herrn Pastor Weirich, Barmen-Dittershausen, Germany. 20 May 1924.
14. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135887. Receipt in German for 3 sacks mehl for Elisabeth Waisenhaus, Holstein. 23 May 1924.
15. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15683. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Herrn W. Kniepkamp, Elberfeld. 24 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
16. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15884. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Herrn Prediger W Müsken, Altona/Elbe. 27 May 1924.
17. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135868. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau General Von Richter, Berlin. 28 May 1924.
18. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135907. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Marie Zwingauer, Hannover, Germany. 29 May 1924.
19. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135918. Receipt in German for 8 sacks mehl for Eva V. Thiele-Winkler, Michowitz. 29 May 1924.
20. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15461. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Wwe. Ritter, Hamburg. 29 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
21. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15462. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Herrn Max Lamverts, Hamburg. 29 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
22. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15682. Receipt in German for 3 sacks mehl for Frau Wwe. Ida Wolff, Torgau a.d. Saale. 29 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
23. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15685. Receipt in German for 3 sacks mehl for General Herrn General von Scheve, Blankenese bei Hamburg. 29 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
24. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15694. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Fräulein Elisabeth Rothe, Leipzig. 29 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
25. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15695. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Herrn Otto Lamberts, Neubabelsberg bei Berlin. 29 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
26. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15692. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Fräulein Paula Feldhaus, Heidelberg. 29 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
27. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15686. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Fräulein Lina Bischoff, Fühlsbütte. 30 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
28. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15691. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Koellen and Frau Deetgen, Eldengurg. 30 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
29. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135957. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for die Diakonissenanstalt "Bethesda" Elberfeld, Hansbücheler. 30 May 1924.
30. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135908. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Herrn Pastor M. Sudergat, Bernstadt. 30 May 1924.
31. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135910. Receipt in German for 8 sacks mehl for Christlichen Verein junger Männer Dortmund. 30 May 1924.
32. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135897. Receipt in German for 3 sacks mehl for Hern Pastor Spindler, Charlottenbürg. 30 May 1924.

33. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 137169. Receipt in German for 1 Kiste Speck for die Christiliche Gemeinschaft, Hamburg. 30 May 1924.
34. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135896. Receipt in German for 3 sacks mehl for Herrn Pastor Shin de Bontemard, Charlottenbürg. 31 May 1924.
35. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 137168. Receipt in German for 1 Bailen Kleider for Herrn Pastor Südergat, Bernstadt/Schles. 31 May 1924.
36. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 137166. Receipt in German for 1 Bailen Kleider for Innere Mission, Stuttgart. 31 May 1924.
37. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135867. Receipt in German for 1 sacks mehl for Herrn Pfarrer Anrol Stranger, Dresden. 31 May 1924.
38. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135866. Receipt in German for 1 sacks mehl for Herrn Pfarrer Titus Reuter, Dresden. 31 May 1924.
39. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135888. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for die Anstalten Betnel, Bielefeld. 31 May 1924.
40. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15687. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Familie Herold, Berlin. 31 May 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
41. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15697. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Babette Noack, Stuttgart. 1 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
42. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135958. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Herrn Pastor Friedrich Fricke, Elberfeld. 1 June 1924.
43. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135864. Receipt in German for 12 sacks mehl for Kekan Prof. Georg Beer, Heildelberg. 1 June 1924.
44. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 137170. Receipt in German for 1 Kiste Speck for Professor Georg Beer, Heidelberg. 1 June 1924.
45. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15249. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Helene Gimpel, München. 1 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
46. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15680. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Dora Spahn, Hamburg. 2 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
47. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 137160. Receipt in German for 1 Bailen Kleider for Arbeiterkolonie Hoffnungsthal in Rüdnitz i.d.Mark. 2 June 1924.
48. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15699. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Margarete Kessel, Berlin. 3 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
49. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15679. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Frieda Schmidt, MÜNchen. 3 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
50. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135885. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Innere Mission – Hamburger, Pastor Dr. H. Schreiber, Hamburg. 4 June 1924.
51. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15689. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Wwe. Agnes Hochgürtel, Kallenberg. 5 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
52. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15700. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau J. Boecker, Crefeld. 5 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
53. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135906. Receipt in German for 8 sacks mehl for Herrn Pastor Johann Wolff, Hannover. 5 June 1924.
54. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 137172. Receipt in German for 1 sacks Bohnen for Bibelhaus, Mulche bei Freienwalde a.d.order. 5 June 1924.
55. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 136517. Receipt in German for 1 Ballen Kleidung for Cecilienhaus, Charlottenburg, Berlin (Herrn Pfarrer Klomfass). 6 June 1924.

56. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 136518. Receipt in German for 1 Fass Schmalz for Cecilienhaus Charlottenburg, Berlin (Herrn Pfarrer Klomfass-Luban). 6 June 1924.
57. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15688. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Herrn Mathias Schaeffer, Kallmuth. 6 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
58. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15701. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau Wwe. Johanna Doorpinghaus, Hueckeswageh. 6 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
59. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15696. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Fraulein Alvina Crohn, Aachen. 6 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
60. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135913. Receipt in German for 5 sacks mehl for Ev. Schulgemeinde – Herrn Friedrich Hildenstock, Barmen-Rittershausen. 7 June 1924.
61. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135883. Receipt in German for 6 sacks mehl for Christliche Gemeinschaft, Herrn F. Jahnke, Berlin. 9 June 1924.
62. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135886. Receipt in German for 3 sacks mehl for Waisenhaus Godenshein, Godesberg. 11 June 1924.
63. To American Volga Relief Society from Deutshces Rotes Kreuz. Letter typed in German and makes reference to \$75.00. 11 Juni 1924.
64. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 15693. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Herrn Fr. Hasenclever, Hochforst. 12 June 1924. (1 receipt, both sides).
65. Red Cross Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Nr. 135869. Receipt in German for 1 sack mehl for Frau V. Ferber, Berlin. 15 June 1924.
66. To American Volga Relief Society from Deutshces Rotes Kreuz. Typed ½ page telegram. 20 June 1924.
67. To American Volga Relief Society, Lincoln from Waisenhaus-Godesheim signed by H. Ziegler. 2 page letter typed in German on Eu. Waisenhaus und Erziehungsanstalt Bodersheim Godesberg a. Rh. letterhead. 21 Juni 1924. (2 pages).

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

Box 4, Folder 6: 1925

1. To Mr. Jacob Walter, Burlington, Iowa from A. Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 14 October 1925.

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

Box 4, Folder 7: 1928

1. To Mr. Peter Reh, Mineter, Nebr. Half page letter typed in German. 18 July 1928. (Date and other words misspelled on letter).
2. Correspondence between Gostaf Helt and Adolph Liebsack.
 

**Letter 1:** To Mr. Gostaf Helt, Scatsbluff [sp - Scottsbluff] Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter typed in German and mentions John Kauffman and Gering, Nebraska. Handwritten note mentions Jno Kaufman for H. L. Saur [sp?]. 19 July 1928. (Date and other words misspelled on letter).

**Letter 2:** To Mr. Adolf Liebsack, Lincoln, Neb. from A. H. Heldt. Letter handwritten in German on The Great Western Sugar Company letterhead. Letter mentions John Kaufman. 23 July 1928.
3. To Conrad Schmidt, Scottsbluff, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. Mentions dollar

- amounts of \$33.19, \$22.79, and \$60.40. 25 July 1928. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
4. To Mr. Georg Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. 6 Aug. 1928. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
  5. To Volga Book Co., Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. 7 Aug. 1928.
  6. To Mr. Jacob Kihn, Yoder, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. Letter mentions Jacob Willmann and Henry Reitz. 13 Aug. 1928.
  7. To Mr. Georg Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. 21 Aug. 1928. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
  8. To Mr. C. G. Schmidt, Scottsbluff, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. 29 August 1928. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
  9. To Mr. Jacob Widerspan, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead and mentions Norfolk, Nebr. and Jacob Schike. 29 Aug. 1928.
  10. To Rev. J. Eckhardt, Saginaw, Mich. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. 6 Oct. 1928.
  11. To Mr. Kasper Trupp, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. Letter includes name and address for Henrey Christel, Milwaukee, Wis. 28 Nov. 1928.
  12. To Mr. Georg Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German on Lebsack's Men's Furnishings and Shoes letterhead. Mentions date of "15 Januar 1929" and dollar amount of \$105.50. 3 Dec. 1928. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

Box 4, Folder 8: 1929

1. To Mr. J. C. Frank, McCook, Neb. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions Paster Henikelman. 23 Januar 1929.
2. To Mr. J. C. Frank, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions dollar amount of \$5.00. 15 Februar 1929.
3. To Mr. Jacob Wacker, Brush, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 25 Februar 1929.
4. To Mr. Casper Trupp, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions March 12, 1929 and a notation of "Lodge \$5.85." 1 March 1929.
5. To Mr. Kasper Trupp, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions November 26 and 28, 1928. Letter also mentions dollar amount of \$5.85 and \$.50. 5 Mertz 1929.
6. To Adolph Lebsack from Casper Trupp, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Letter handwritten in German. Includes envelope addressed to Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Dry goods and Shoes, Lincoln, Nebraska. 10 March 1929. (2 pages and envelope). (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
7. To Mr. Kasper Trupp, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 12 Marz 1929.

8. To Mr. Henrey Klein, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions Jacob Grassmick. 27 Augst [sp] 1929.
9. To Mr. Henry Kis, Mason City, Iowa from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions dollar amount of \$10.00 and Henry Schike. 28 Aug. 1929.
10. To Mr. Jacob Klein, Chicgo, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 14 Oct. 1929.
11. To Mr. Henry Bauer, Krammer, Neb. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. 14 Oct. 1929.
12. To Mr. George [illegible], Cou Bluffs, Iowa from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions the *Welt Post*, dollar amounts of \$5.00 and \$10.00 and John Bastron. 14 Oct. 1929.
13. From Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 6 Nov. 1929.
14. To Mr. Michel Reitz, [illegible], Neb. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions *Welt Post* and dollar amount of \$5.00. 30 Nov. 1929.
15. To Mr. Andreas Bumgard, Cambrige, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions *Welt-Post*, and dollar amounts of \$3.00 and \$5.00. 30 Nov. 1929.
16. To Mr. Philip Pepler, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions *Welt Post*. 30 Nov. 1929.
17. To Mr. Conrad Krieger, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. 5 Dec. 1929.
18. To Mr. Philip Pepler, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions die *Welt Post*. 11 Dec. 1929.
19. To Mr. J. C. Frank, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. 11 Dec. 1929.
20. To Mr. Henry Amen, Norfolk, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions John Miller. 11 Dec. 1929.
21. To Mr. J. C. Frank, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions Johannes Miller and 15 Dec. 1929. 15 Dec. 1929.
22. To Mr. Georg Eckhardt, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions Johannes Miller from Frank and Kutter, and date 15 Dec. 1929. 16 Dec. 1929.
23. To Mr. Henrey Klein, Hastings, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions Johannes Miller and Conrad Strasheim. 16 Dec. 1929.
24. To Mr. Henrey Amen, Norfolk, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. 16 Dec. 1929.
25. To Herr Alexander Wiertz, Denhoff, Russland from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions die *Welt Post*, 1916, and November 24, 1929. 18 Dec. 1929.
26. To Mr. Henry Amen, Norfolk, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 21 Dec. 1929.
27. To Mr. Geo. Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions years 1927, 1928, 1929, and 1930. 24 Dec. 1929. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
28. To Mr. Geo. Walker, Grand Island, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions *Die Welt Post*. 24 December 1929.
29. To Schulmaister Jacob Eichorn, Bauer Canton Balzer, Russland from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions *Die Welt Post*, Herr Jacob Frikkel and Johannes Wolf. 28 Dec. 1929.
30. To Mr. Henry Bastron, Alliance, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions the *Die Welt Post*, Frau Miller, and Georg Lebsack. 31 Dec. 1929.

31. To Mr. John Jackel, Newark, N.J. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. Mentions "die *Welt-Post* nach Russland." 31 December 1929. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

Box 4, Folder 9: 1930

1. To Mr. C. J. Kreiger, McCook, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions the *Welt Post*. 2 January 1930.
2. To Herr Alexander Wuertz, Denhof Russland from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. Mentions die *Welt Post* several times. 19 March 1930.
3. To Mr. Conrad Scheidt, Luisland, Sask. [Canada] from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. Mentions die *Welt Post* and John Hoff. 18 April 1930.
4. To Mr. Conrad Herbst, Norfolk, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Mentions Henry Miller. 26 April 1930.
5. To H. H. Wiebaum, Nickerson, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. 29 May 1930.
6. To Herr Conrad Wacker, Frank Kutter Russ. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. Mentions Johannes Lebsack, Kutter, and die *Welt Post*. 29 Mai 1930.
7. To Mr. Ziebarth, Chinook, Mont. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. 29 May 1930.
8. To Rev. Fred Nolte, Westboro, Mo. From Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Short letter typed in German and mentions Railroad fare, Lincoln, Fremont, Midland College and dollar amount \$3.50. 29 May 1930. (Front and back of page – 2 pages).
9. To Mr. John Amen, Sterling, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions Billings, Mont. 8 Sept. 1930. (2 pages).
10. To Mr. Henry Rutt, Lincoln, Neb. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Page 2 has a letter dated Sept 9, 1930 handwritten in German on the back. 10 Sept. 1930. (2 pages).
11. To Mr. Balthaser Wertz, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and includes the names Herny Stehr, Jacob Geier, Henry Christel, Jacob Amend Jr., John Kaufman, Georg Hamburg. 24 Sept. 1930.
12. To Mr. Henry Klein, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions dollar amount \$13.10. 25 Sept. 1930.
13. To Mr. Geo Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions dollar amount \$42.00. 16 Oct. 1930. (2 pages).
14. To Mr. L. E. Fries, Waderford, Wis. Letter typed in German and mentions Jacob Walter. 25 Oct. 1930.
15. To G. F. Born, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 3 November, 1930. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
16. To Mr. Philip Hardwich, Scottsbluff, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German and mentions Henry Uhrich. 17 November 1930.
17. To Mr. Geo Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions \$5.00 in the text. 25 November 1930. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
18. To Mr. Jacob Sitzman, Waterford, Okla. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 29 Nov. 1930.

19. To Mr. Kasper Hartung, Otis, Kans. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions the *Welt Post*. 29 November 1930.
20. To Schwester Oathoff, Mitchell, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter typed in German. Mentions dollar amounts \$1,000.00 and \$500.00. 16 Dec. 1930.
21. To Mr. B. George, Milwaukee, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions dollar amount \$3.20 and year 1913. 20 Dec. 1930.

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

Box 4, Folder 10: 1931

1. To John Wagner, Morristown, S. D. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions \$13.80. 26 March 1931.
2. To Mr. Geo Alt, Mitchell, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions \$10.00 in the text. 30 March 1931. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
3. To Mr. Jacob Frick, Culbertson, Nebraska from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions \$10.00 in the text. 31 March 1931.
4. To Mr. Jacob Frick, Culbertson, Nebraska from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 17 April 1931.
5. To Mr. J. C. Frank, McCook, Neb. from Adolph Lebsack. Letter handwritten in German. 23 April 1931.
6. To Mr. Henry Hoffman, Berthoud, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack. Letter handwritten in German. 25 April 1931.
7. To Mr. John J. Wagner, Morristown, S. D. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$13.80. 25 April 1931.
8. To Mr. C. F. Yost, Ft. Collins, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 8 May 1931.
9. To Mr. Geo Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 23 May 1931. (May be from personal papers of Adolph Lebsack, Jr.).
10. To Mr. Philip Koehler, Brush, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$125.00 and \$62.50. 30 May 1931.
11. To Mr. Henry Klein, Norfolk, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. Also mentions Geo. Bauer, Mrs. Fred Altstadt, David Busch, Wm. Deines, Conrad Herbst, and Henry Klein. 11 June 1931. (2 pages).
12. To Mr. Conrad Herbst, Norfolk, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 11 June 1931.
13. To Mr. Geo Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions dollar amounts of \$112.00 and \$100.00. 17 June 1931.
14. To Mr. Konrad Keller, Lincoln, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 23 June 1931.
15. To Mr. Jacob Kelm, Lincoln, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 23 June 1931.
16. To Mr. Geo J. Frickel, Lincoln, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 23 June 1931.
17. To Mr. Jacob Hartung, Lincoln, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 23 June 1931.
18. To Mr. J. H. Yost, Lincoln, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 23 June 1931.
19. To Mr. Jacob Eisenach, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 29 June 1931.



20. To Mr. Jacob Gies, Pickett, Wiss. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00 and the *Die Welt Post*. 7 July 1931.
21. To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kaufmann, Scottsbluff, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 11 July 1931.
22. From Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 13 July 1931.
23. To Mr. Jacob Fritzler, Iliff, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 13 July 1931.
24. To Mr. Peter Graff, Layman [probably Lyman], Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 13 July 1931.
25. To Mr. Jacob Roehrig, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 13 July 1931.
26. To Mr. John Hofferber, Loveland, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00 and the *Die Welt Post*. 13 July 1931.
27. To Mr. Conrad Harres, Lyman, Nebr. from A. Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 13 July 1931.
28. To Mr. Phillip Zink, Iliff, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 13 July 1931.
29. To Mr. Henry Walter, Merior, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 13 July 1931.
30. To Mr. Henry Wunkert [sp], Iliff, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 13 July 1931.
31. To Mr. John Miller, Merino, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00 and the *Die Welt Post*. 13 July 1931.
32. To Mr. John Schmidt, Johnston, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 13 July 1931.
33. To Mr. David Spreier [sp], Iliff, Colorado from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 13 July 1931.
34. To Mr. George Sitzman, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 13 July 1931.
35. To Mr. Jacob Schneider, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 13 July 1931.
36. To Mr. Geor Bath, Merino, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. Letter makes reference to 1923. 13 July 1931.
37. To Mr. John [illegible] Alles, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. Letter makes reference to the *Welt Post* and \$5.00. 13 July 1931.
38. To Mr, Jacob Geis, Pickett, Wis. from Adolph Lebsack Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$5.00. 15 July 1931.
39. To Mr. John Miller, Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter handwritten in German. 16 July 1931.
40. To Mr. Geog [?] Ring, Lyman, Nebraska from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 20 July 1931. (2 pages).
41. To Mr. Geo Bath, Merino, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 27 July 1931.
42. To Mr. Henry Klein, Norfolk, Nebraska from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 31 July 1931.
43. To Mr. Jacob Wacker, Brush, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack. Letter handwritten in German and includes some financial data. Reference to 1931 and September 15. 15 September 1931 (assumed year).

44. To Mr. John Miller, Sheridan, Wyoming from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 5 Oct, 1931.
45. To Mr. Geo Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and makes reference to \$46.52. 5 Dec. 1931.

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

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1. To Mr. John Miller, Sheridan, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. Mentions amount of \$3.00. 7 Feb. 1932.
2. To Mr. Jacob Wacker, Brush, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions amounts of \$2.00 and \$7.20. 23 Feb. 1932.
3. To Mr. Hny [abbreviated spelling] Kisster, Hastings, Neb. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 8 March 1932.
4. To Mr. John Selzman, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 13 April 1932.
5. To Jacob Volz, York, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack and family. Letter handwritten in German. 25 April 1932.
6. To Mr. Conrad Bastron, Sterling, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 25 April 1932.
7. To Mr. Kasper Hartung, Bison, Kans. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 25 April 1932.
8. To Mr. W. G. Stam [sp], Lincoln, Nebraska from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 4 May 1932.
9. To Mr. Geo Amen, Chicago, Ill. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 4 May 1932.
10. To Mr. W. G. Stam [sp – unreadable], Lincoln, Nebraska from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 20 May 1932.
11. To Mr. W. G. Stam [sp], Lincoln, Nebraska from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 28 May 1932.
12. To Mr. and Mrs. Georg Shack [sp], Greeley, Colorado from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 3 June 1932.
13. To “Onkel” from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 7 June 1932.
14. To Mr. John Gellman, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 24 June 1932.
15. To Mr. and Mrs. Georg Shack [sp], Greeley, Colorado from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 29 June 1932.
16. To Mr. Jacob Eisenach, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions several names including H. J. Bernhard, Mr. Geo. Born, J. Stilzman, Jacob Rohrig, Conrad Fahrenbruch, 18 July 1932.
17. To Mr. Jacob Eisenach, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 27 July 1932.
18. To Mr. John Eisenach, Fort Morgan, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 27 July 1932.
19. To Onkel and Family from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and includes addresses for Mr. Henry Amen, Norfolk, Nebraska, Jacob Klein, Lascar, Colo., and Conrad Lenhard, Billings, Mont. 1 August 1932. (2 pages).
20. To Mr. Jacob Eisneach, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Half page letter handwritten in German. 5 August 1932.

21. To Mr. H. P. Braun, Ritzville, Wash. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 11 Aug. 1932. (2 pages).
22. To Mr. H. P. Braun, Ritzville, Wash. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 17 Aug. 1932.
23. To Mr. Jacob Krieger, Cheyenne, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 17 Sept. 1932. (2 pages).
24. To Mr G. F. Born, Greeley, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 21 Sept. 1932.
25. To Mr. John Lesser, Scottsbluff, Nebr. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 21 Sept. 1932.
26. To Mr. Jacob K. Krieger, Cheyenne, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 6 Oct. 1932. (2 pages).
27. To Mr. Jack Fritzler, Windsor, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions Jacob Krieger from Cheyenne, Wyoming. 11 Oct. 1932.
28. To Mr. John Miller, Sheridan, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 18 Oct. 1932.
29. To Mr. John Miller, Sheridan, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions dollar amount \$405.05. 21 Nov. 1932.
30. To Rev. Newman, Burlington, Iowa from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Note handwritten in German. 5 Dec. 1932.
31. From Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German on legal size paper. Customer's Receipt dated Dec. 3, 1932 order No. 301819 for delivery of goods to Johannes Heinrich Lebsack (English) is attached. 1 December 1932. (1 Legal size paper, 1 8 ½ x 11).

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

Box 4, Folder 12: 1933

1. For Frau Frieda Schmidt, Wiedenmayerstr. 33. Shipment order on Schenker & Co., München Bayerisches Transport Comptoir form. Information in German. 1933. (3 pages).
2. To [illegible] Schwester from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 11 January 1933.
3. To Mr. Grund [sp?] Struck from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 2 Feb. 1933.
4. To Onkel from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 12 April 1933.
5. To Mr. Philip Koehler, Brush, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions dollar amounts of \$75.00, \$65.50, and \$125.00. 5 June 1933.
6. To Edward Reeder, Neu Frank, Russland from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 8 June 1933.
7. To Mr. Philip Koehler, Brush, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions dollar amounts of \$62.50 and \$125.00. 13 June 1933.
8. To Kinder Reuben from A. Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 13 June 1933.
9. To Mr. Philip Koehler, Brush, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 15 June 1933.
10. To Mr. John Miller, Sheridan, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 20 June 1933.

11. To Calornd [sp?] Herald, Denver, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 27 June 1933.
12. To Herman Lober, California Vorwerts, Fresno, Colo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 21 July 1933.
13. To Herr Lebsack, Jr. from H. Tober, Printers and Publisher, "California Vorwerts", Fresno, California. Letter handwritten in German. Includes envelope addressed to Adolph Lebsack, Jr. 17 Aug. 1933. (1 letter, 1 envelope).
14. To Schwester from Bruther Adolph. Letter handwritten in German. 19 August 1933.
15. To Rev. Geo. Rath, Laurel, Mot. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions *Welt Post*. 19 August 1933.
16. To H. Tober, California Vorwerts, Fresno, Cala. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 21 August 1933. (3 pages).
17. To Rev. Geo. Rath, Laurel, Mont. Letter handwritten in German. 24 August 1933.
18. To Mr. H. Tober, Fresno, Cali. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 24 August 1933.
19. To Rev. Geo. Rath, Laurel, Mont. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 30 August 1933.
20. To Herrn A. Lebsack, Lincoln Nebr. from Rev. Geo. Rath, Laurel, Mont. Letter typed in German with editorial corrections. Letter mentions John Brendel, Bismark, N. Dak., Dak. Fr. Pr., and dollar amounts \$29.00 and \$100.00. September 1933. (3 pages).
21. To Rev. Geo. Rath, Laurel, Mot. From Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 5 September 1933. (2 pages).
22. To John Miller, Sheridan, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German and mentions Adam Becker and addresses 540 B St., and 631 D. St. 20 Oct. 1933.
23. To Mr. John Miller, Sheridan, Wyo. from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 16 December 1933.

**Collection 2; Series XIII: Correspondence in German script and text.**

Box 4, Folder 13: 1934

1. To Onkel from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 25 Januar 1934.
2. To Onkel from Adolph Lebsack, Jr. Letter handwritten in German. 26 July 1934. (2 pages).
3. To Adolph Lebsack, Jr. from Mrs. A. Lebsack, Portland, Ore. Personal letter handwritten in German. Includes envelope and letter written in English from Lena dated 18 November 1934. 21 November 1934. (2 page letter, 1 envelope).

**Collection 2; Series XIV, Additional correspondence, arranged chronologically, to and from the CVRS/AVRS. Where possible, the letter the correspondence is replying to is included immediately after the CVRS/AVRS letter as page two. This series should be used in conjunction with other related series in the collection that have correspondence separated into separate topics.**

Box 4, Folder 1, No date

1. Two typed articles regarding letters received by Mr Gottfried Schumacher of Lincoln, Nebraska and Mr Jacob Klein of Havelock. The letters report on the fate of family members in the famine areas. No date.

2. Autobiography of J. J. Ballensky. After June 1921.
3. To H. P. Wekesser from Mr. Peter Georg, McCracken, Kansas. 2 page letter (1/2 sheets) informing Dr. Wekesser that he is interested in helping to raise funds and inquiring how to raise the funds and where to send them. 14 Sept. 1921. (2 pages).

**Collection 2: Series XIV**

Box 4, Folder 2, 1922

1. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from Mrs. John Akney donation of \$10.00 for relief fund. 25 Jan. 1922.
2. To Mrs. Draper Smith, Omaha, Nebr. from T. F. A. Williams. Letter affirming the positive work of the various relief organizations and explaining their personal knowledge of the famine issues through acquaintances. Letter states that they are pleased to donate. 3 April 1922. (2 pages).
3. To "Newbranch" from Carson Hildreth, Lincoln, Nebraska. Letter written on Agricultural Development Commission letterhead expressing support and recommendation for Dr. Wekesser and the C.S.V.R.S. as legitimate representatives of the relief effort in Russia and asking that the newspaper consider assisting through publication of articles. 3 Apr. 1922.
4. To Dr. Wekesser from Ella Volz, York, Neb. Letter requesting that a check be sent to her mother from the Volga Relief Society. 6 Sept. 1922.
5. To Mr. Wekesser from John Volz. Letter acknowledging receipt of check for month of August. 1 Oct. 1922.
6. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from John Volz. Letter acknowledging receipt of check for October. 5 Nov. 1922.
7. To Dr. H. P. Wekesser from John Volz. Letter informing Dr. Wekesser that he would be sending \$25.00 to him to forward to Jacob Volz in Russia for the purchase of glass for a church window. 15 Nov. 1922.

**Collection 2: Series XIV**

Box 4, Folder 3: 1923

1. From Mrs. Jacob Volz to A.V.R.S. acknowledging receipt of one hundred dollar check. 15 June 1923.
2. From Mrs. Jacob Volz to A.V.R.S. acknowledging receipt of one hundred dollar check. 3 July 1923.

**Collection 2: Series XIV**

Box 4, Folder 4: January 1924

1. To Mr. J. Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebr. from Rev. P. Lukas, Benedictine Convent of Perpetual Adoration, Clyde, Missouri. Letter explaining enclosed funds for deliveries to Ehrw. Schw. Reginalda Bollenrath, Berlin, Germany and Ehrw. Mutter M. Theresia, O.S.U., Hannover, Germany. 9 Jan. 1924.
2. Correspondence between John Rohrig and Mr. H. Stapper.  
**Letter 1:** To Mr. John Rohrig, Lincoln, Nebr. from Mrs. H. Stapper, San Antonio, Texas. Letter dated 9 Jan. 1924 requesting information on whether she can send 100 lb. of bacon in amount of \$13.00 to relatives in Berlin, Germany. 9 Jan. 1924.

**Letter 2:** To Mrs. H. Stapper, San Antonio, Texas from John Rohrig. Response from Mr. J. Rohrig, Vice President assuring that she may send the \$13.00 for bacon for the relative in Germany and that efforts will be made to deliver the requested food. 15 Jan. 1924.

**Letter 3:** To American Volga Relief Society from Mrs. Helene Stapper, San Antonio, Texas. Letter with enclosed \$13.00 for 100 lbs. bacon, and \$4.50 for 196 lbs of flour for Mrs. B. Lambert, Berlin, Germany. 19 Jan. 1924.

**Collection 2: Series XVII: Record Book of American Volga Relief Society**

Box 4, Folder 1: Constitution of the American Volga Relief Society

1. Constitution of the American Volga Relief Society. IX Articles. No date.
2. Constitution of the American Volga Relief Society. IX Articles. No date. (2 pages).
3. Constitution of the American Volga Relief Society draft copy. IX Articles. No date. (2 page).
4. Constitution of the Central States Volga Relief Society. VII Articles. No date.
5. Constitution of the Central States Volga Relief Society. Draft with corrections. VII Articles. No date.

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1. Resolutionen: 2 page announcement typed in German. Greeley, Colorado 21-22 August 1923. (2 pages).
2. Report [??] by John Roehrig, and G. J. Schmidt, V.R.S., Portland, Oregon. Document typed in German regarding proceedings of conference in Greeley, Colorado 22 – 23 August 1923. (4 pages).
3. Convention program for General Conference August 22 and 23, 1923 in Greeley, Colorado. 22 August 1923. (3 pages).

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