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WD EL PASO, TEXAS

MRS FRANK ZLABOVSKY

COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN 1016 OLIVE ST

GUSTAVE GOTTDINNER CANNOT RAISE BOND FOR MOTHER HAS SENT ASSISTANCE

COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN



EL PASO SECTION
National Council of Jewish Women
EL PASO, TEXAS

Sept. 21, 1928.

Miss Cecelia Razovsky
Dept. of Immigrant Aid
799 Broadway
New York N.Y.

Re; Mrs. Gottdinner

Dear Miss Razovsky;

From time to time I have been in communication with you in regard to the above case but I want to send you a brief survey of the case so you may know what we have done and a bit of ~~warning~~ ^{caution} that we would like to have you pass on to the New York Council.

This Mrs. Gottdinner is the Mother of five small children in Mexico City and there, too is Mr. Gottdinner who has recently suffered from a stroke. She came to our border town of Juarez wishing to be admitted to the U.S. so she might go to New York to see her American born son and daughter and incidentally seek medical aid as she has been a desperately sick woman and badly in need of relief.

Mrs. Gottdinner did not have the necessary bond of \$500. to admit her and we were in communication with her son, as you know, trying to get him to send the money. The boy did not have the cash nor did he seem able to raise it and while waiting for word from him his Mother became so desperately ill that we were forced to bring her to El Paso where we had her operated upon. She was in the Sister's Hospital here for seven weeks and was given the very best of care and attention. We have a day and a night nurse for her and one of our foremost surgeons performed the operation.

The surgeon feared that she would not survive the operation as the poor woman had suffered so long, ^{and was so run down as she} and had been such a busy mother at home but she responded beautifully though the operation did not prove to be a cure. The Surgeon confessed that the case was just beyond medical science in El Paso and advised that she be sent to New York to seek further aid. This ^{too, was} ~~was also~~ her desire but as her son could not raise the money for her bond and transportation we were forced to call upon some of our good citizens to sign her bond and to advance us money for her transportation.

We had gone so far with the case and we felt our work would have been in vain to have sent her back to Mexico City where she would have the responsibility of her family and not have a chance to recuperate, and further more the medical aid she had received here was inadequate to cure her. ^{So} ~~While~~ it certainly proved a great relief.



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National Council of Jewish Women
EL PASO, TEXAS

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Miss Razovsky, I wired you that Mrs. Gottdinner was to arrive in New York to-day. I want to ask that you notify the Council of her arrival and her history with us as we do so much want them to carry on as we feel this is a deserving case. Please see that she has medical care ^{attention} to cope with her case for as I have stated before her mission to get to New York was to get well and to see her children. We also want to call your attention again to the fact that this is a bonded case and we want Mrs. Gottdinner back in El Paso not later than February the first as we do not want our kind citizens to have to forfeit the bond which they so kindly signed for her and she knows she was only to retain her five months allotted to her on a visitors passport.

We want to thank you for your co-operation in the past and ^{ask} if you will please pass this information on to the proper authorities. Though a few days late we want to extend our sincere good wishes for the New Year and may the coming year bring nothing but health happiness and big achievements.

Yours very truly,

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MRS FRANK ZLABOVSKY

COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN 1016 OLIVE ST

BOND AND MONEY FOR GOTTDINNER BEING SENT TODAY CARE FIRST NATIONAL
BANK

DEPARTMENT IMMIGRANT AID

42764

WD EL PASO

(579)

Sadie Gatt dinner
760 404 St.
Bronx N. Y.

Wire

~~Tues Eve.~~
Your mother left here last night
Will reach N. C. at 2:10 P. M. Pennsylv.
station on Friday. Please be there
to meet her. Friday Sept. 21, '28

Cecilia Razzoli
799 Baby Dept. of Immigrant Aid

Successful in getting the bond
and have sent Mrs. Gatt dinner
to N. Y. will reach New York
on Friday at two ten P. M.

Pennsylvania Station - Please
notify the Council in regard
to this case & see that she
does not become a public
charge.

Wire

Gustave Kottlander 796 East 175
Reapplication for admittance on a visitors
visa granted your mother - Case opened
tomorrow. Must have return airfare
whether or not you will furnish bond
and transportation. Case rests in your
hands. Without a favorable reply
from you by tomorrow morning will
be forced to return your mother to Mex.
city where early death is inevitable.
In coming to New York her life
may be prolonged indefinitely. We
must have an immediate reply
before we can proceed with the
case -

Day Letter

Wire

Mrs. Frank Zlaborsky
1016 Ohio
m. 8579

DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRANT AID
The National Council of Jewish Women
799 BROADWAY, NEW YORK

FROM Merle Henoch

DATE October 9, 1928

TO Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky
El Paso, Texas

SUBJECT Mrs. Gottdinner

We are sending you another report on Mrs. Gottdinner. The case is indeed sad and I guess there is nothing to hope for. You will notice in the last paragraph of New York's letter they request that you get them the doctor's diagnosis from your city. Can you tell us whether the family in Mexico realize how serious her condition is?

M.H.

MH:G
Encl.

October 8th, 1928.

From..... Augusta Mayerson, New York Section

To..... Merle Henoch, Headquarters

Subject..... Esther Gottdinner.

We have learned from Montefiore Hospital where Mrs. Gottdinner is attending the Radium Clinic, that she is suffering from cancer of the ovaries, but that her condition is so widely spread, that there is no hope of a cure. The treatments which she now receives, are to make her more comfortable and to prolong life.

We have made application for her entrance to the hospital, and hope that this can be effected soon, as she finds it very difficult to travel to the hospital for necessary treatments. Her niece Mrs. Gottdinner, with whom she is now staying, is pregnant, and therefore finds it impossible to care for her adequately.

When you next write to El Paso, will you kindly get the doctor's diagnosis from them? There is no mention of it made in their letter of Sept. 21st.

Glazer/BO

2/5/28

3505 Rochambeau Ave

Oct 15 / 1928

New York. N. Y.

Dear Mrs Zlabovsky

I have written a letter to you last week asking for my statement from the operation what Dr. Steelson have operated on me. Its very important because the Dr. is asking for it. Please be kind enough too send me the statement soon as possible.

I am in the same state yet how I left Mexico. But I am having treatments done, and already that helped a great deal. They took water

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out of me once.

I hope that your family
is in best of health.

With my daughter & son
I am sending you my
regards. Please be kind
enough to give my
regards to Mrs Weiss &
Hans.

Again thanking you
beforehand for your kindness
Your friend
Mrs. Esther Goodiner.

P.S.

My add. 3505 Rochambeau
Ave.

New York.

October 16, 1928.

Miss Merle Henoch
Dept. of Immigrant Aid
799 Broadway
New York N.Y.

Re; Mrs. Gottdinner

Dear Miss Henoch:

Yours received to-day concerning the diagnosis of Mrs. Gottdinner in this city but regret to say the attending physician is out of the city so it is impossible to get same at this time.

Our physician here diagnosed the case the same as the New York doctors though he felt that higher science available in your city would be better qualified to cope with the case.

When the Doctor operated upon Mrs. Gottdinner he found many cysts but though that a cancerous condition was present.

We did not tell Mrs. Gottdinner her real trouble before she left as we felt we might spare her this until it was a certainty and she requested that her family in Mexico not be informed of her condition. Therefore, the family does not realize the seriousness of her illness.

We want to thank you for your interest in this case. We are deeply interested in it and are anxious to hear of any development. It is a worthy case and certainly touching.

Yours very truly,

1016 Olive Street
Chairman Immigrant Aid
Council of Jewish Women

PATRONS ARE REQUESTED TO FAVOR THE COMPANY BY CRITICISM AND SUGGESTION CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

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MRS FRANK ZLABOVSKY

1016 OLIVE ST

PAPERS REGARDING GOTTDINNER MAILED IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ELPASO

FRIDAY LETTER IN MAIL

DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRANT AID

1929 JAN 19 AM 10 29

WD EL PASO, TEXAS

THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

6/20/29

Augusta Mayerson

Cecilia Razovsky, Headquarters

Esther Gottdinner
760 Fox St.

Mrs. Gottdinner is still receiving treatments at Montefiore Hospital. A recent report from them states that the results are "quite satisfactory". The hospital recommends an extension of her stay so that she may continue her treatments.

Mrs. Gottdinner seems to have improved somewhat. She now has no pain, and she does not have to be tapped as frequently as before.

We are making application for another extension for her. We have also helped the citizen son fill out application for a visa for his father, and Mr. Gottdinner, Sr., is now awaiting a visa in Mexico City.

Glazer/BO

DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRANT AID
The National Council of Jewish Women
799 BROADWAY. NEW YORK

FROM Cecilia Razovsky

DATE June 25, 1929.

TO Mrs. Frank Zlebovsky
El Paso, Tex.

SUBJECT Esther Gottdinner

You will be interested in the enclosed copy of a letter received from our New York Section. We are glad to note that the woman's health is improving slightly.

CR:ER
Enc.



DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRANT AID
The National Council of Jewish Women
799 BROADWAY. NEW YORK

FROM Merle Henoch

DATE August 30, 1929

TO Mrs. Frank Zlobovsky
1016 Olive St.
El Paso, Texas

SUBJECT Esther Gottdinner

mail
Billings tel 50
58
60.30
15.34
45.64
36.68
11.64

Gustave Gottdinner is very much worried. He says his Mother's extension expired August 16. He made application for further extension which he sent to El Paso ^{July 15} but received no reply and is very much concerned that the bond may be forfeited. Will you kindly look into this and advise at once what has happened.

MH:HW

M.A.

Robt. Long Case

Cloud Sept 5, 29

Scott dismissed
Case investigated
the authenticity
of stay was
granted

DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRANT AID
The National Council of Jewish Women
799 BROADWAY, NEW YORK

FROM Merle Henoch

DATE October 4, 1929

TO Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky
El Paso

SUBJECT Esther Gottdinner

I am sure you will be grieved to hear the news
that we received from our local Section regarding
the above. We are enclosing their report.

M.H.

MH:AW
enc

10/5/29

Augusta Mayerson

Merle Henoch, Headquarters

Esther Gottdinner

Mrs. Gottdinner is now very ill. There seemed to be a sudden breakdown a few weeks ago. At present, the poor woman is home in bed, and we are attempting to ~~g~~ get her hospital care, so that her short time here may be as comfortable as possible.

The entire situation is very tragic.

Zucker/BO

11/22/29

Augusta Mayerson

Esther Gottdinner

Merle Hensch, Headquarters

Mrs. Gottdinner was in Montefiore Hospital for about 3 1/2 weeks where she received a blood transfusion. The children paid the entire cost of the transfusion that the hospital charges. They had to borrow money to do this.

Mrs. Gottdinner is now home again. She feels somewhat stronger as a result of the transfusion, but her condition is very poor. She is in bed and seems to be suffering pain.

Zucker/BO

DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRANT AID
The National Council of Jewish Women
799 BROADWAY. NEW YORK

FROM Merle Henoch

DATE November 26, 1929

TO Mrs. Frank Zlobovsky
El Paso

SUBJECT Esther Gottdinner

Just to keep you advise on the above case, we are
sending you the last report from our local section.

M.H.

MH:G
Encl.

April 9th, 1930.

From..... Augusta Mayerson, N.Y. Section
To..... Merle Menoch, Headquarters
Subject..... Mrs. Gottdinner.

Mrs. Gottdinner died at Montefiore Hospital on March 27th. We are enclosing a death certificate so that you may send it on to El Paso and have the bond cancelled.

Mr. Gottdinner arrived on Sunday, April 4th, and is being held at the Ellis Island Hospital for an examination. We have reported the case to Mrs. Shimberg who is in contact with the children.

Glazer/BO

April 12, 1930.

Miss Cecelia Razovsky,
Dept. of Immigrant Aid
799 Broadway
New York, N.Y.

Dear Miss Razovsky:

May we have by return Air Mail a certified copy of the death certificate of Mrs. Esther Gottdinner. This is necessary before the Immigration Authorities will void the bond put up by our two bondsmen.

Thanking you in advance for this favor,

Yours truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky
1016 Olive Street
El Paso, Texas.

Re/ Gottdiner Case

Upon investigation we find that the department of immigration granted a six month extension on this case. The reason for delay was due to the fact that the bondsmen in this case were out of the city when the application was filed.

Yours very truly,

Isaac L. Asafsky
Gen'l. Manager Hebrew Sheltering
Aid Society
425 Lafayette St. N. Y.

Full resume of Gattinnes
case

In on visitors visa.
Forced to operate in El Paso
understand son trying to assist
financially but has no means
Requirements \$500 and trans.
Gad in touch with boy and help
son raise money
Mr. Albert Rosenblatt while in
El Paso visited refugees in prison.
understand conditions on border.

Gustavo Gatt dinner

N.Y.

In answer to yr. letter ^{your} ~~his~~
Mother getting along very well
much better than we expected.

We expect to keep her in
the hospital for one month. At
the end of that time if you
could finance her trip to
N.Y. and finishing because
under your + your sisters
care it would help her in
facing up battle of life when
she returns to Mex. City.

For the operation, special nurse
& hospital bill will cost \$400.00
here. We realize your financial
condition. At any time you feel
you could repay this org.
at your leisure O.K. but now

concentrate in financing
Mather's trip

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EL PASO, TEXAS

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PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

must use every effort
to procure bond & escape
without bond we can do
nothing - a round trip

THE
STATE NATIONAL BANK OF EL PASO

EL PASO, TEXAS 38-6

DOLLARS

trip to N.Y. would
cost \$150 - include
Furterman -

Early reply please.

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PAY TO THE
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THE
STATE NATIONAL BANK OF EL PASO

EL PASO, TEXAS 38-6

DOLLARS

Gustav Gottdinner

Special
Delivery

While your Mother was
operated & passed thru
the crisis & is on the
way to recovery, the
operation is only temporary
relief.

Our Medical science
is inadequate to cope with
her case.

To send her to Mex. City

would be foolish. Perhaps
you could get a bonding
company to float a bond
for her. Only 3%. Would
help with transportation
here.

Miss Celilia Razovsky
Dept. of Immigrant Aid
799 Broadway
New York City

~~A telegram~~

Interview Gustave Gattdinner seven
nine six east one seventyfifth.
His mother waiting this part of entry
~~to be~~ admitted under five hundred
dollar bond. Very sick ~~and~~ wants
to come to New York for medical
aid. ³¹ Have son send bond to First
Nat'l Bank and one hundred fifty
additional for transportation.

Mrs Frank ~~Zlabovsky~~
main 8579
3 Labovsky

S. M. Wischnack
Jewish Welfare Workers of
Mex.

Tacuba No. 15 Y-M. H.A.

The case ^{Mr.} Gattisner
~~D.S.~~ Mexico D.S.

We are in receipt of your
letter delivered by the
above mentioned Mr. G.
and regret exceedingly
that we cannot furnish
the bond required to
admit her to the U.S.

We have succeeded
in getting her papers in
shape so that all that
is necessary is her

bond + trans to N.Y.

We wired to her
you + he refused our
telegram and you must
realize that we have
many obligations to
meet + cannot care
for this case for you

If you can send
us the required 500 bond
+ 150 for transp. to N.Y.
we will be glad to see
her on her way to destination
other wise it will be
necessary for you to

send her transporter
free to Mex. City as she
does not care to have
us furnish her with Drs from
El Paso.



EL PASO SECTION
National Council of Jewish Women
EL PASO, TEXAS

Wire

Mr. Merle Henoch
Dept. Immigrant Aid
799 Broadway
New York.

Notify Gustave Gottdinner that his mothers illness was such that it was necessary to pit her under the care of an El Paso physician. She will be operated upon tomorrow at a local hospital. We hope for a speedy recovery and will notify you of her condition.

Write

Mr. Martin Gottdinner
Callejon Miscalco 41
Mexico City.

Write of wife's health and tell him of operation and that Council of Jewish Women are giving her the best attention they can obtain.

Write

Cecelia Razovsky
799 Broadway

Wish her a speedy recovery from her operation.

Wire
Merle Henoch
Dept. of Immigrant Aid
799 Broadway
New York.N.Y.

Notify Gustave Gottdinner that his mothers illness was such that it was necessary to put her under the care of an El Paso physician. She will be operated upon tomorrow at a local hospital. We hope for a speedy recovery and will ~~keep~~ notify you of her condition.

Mrs. Frank Z Laborsky