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Zamenhof Family
Relief Fund.

To the Esperantists of all lands,

The news of the siege of Warsaw and what followed it, was heart-shaking for many Esperantists for more reasons than one: in that city lives the family of Dr. Zamenhof.

Warsaw, the capital of Poland, where two years ago the Esperanto Jubilee Congress had taken place, is today a mass of ruins. Its scattered population is stricken with despondency and physical and spiritual suffering. Shall we remain indifferent to their cry for help? Certainly not. But while it is beyond our means to help all these sufferers, we can at least fulfil our sacred obligation to THE FAMILY OF DR. ZAMENHOF.

News coming in with regard to the conditions in the Jewish Reservation established in Central Poland is hair-raising. Together with the "race-laws" these conditions aim at certain extermination of the entire Jewish population.

We are receiving from all sides enquiries full of touching concern for the Zamenhof family. We also hear that a friend in the South of France has already obtained permission of the French Government to receive in her home Miss Lidia Zamenhof. What can we do to save the rest of the family - five persons - who otherwise shall probably perish, as will certainly be the greatest part of the Polish Jewry.

Our service has already taken steps towards the intended relief. This relief can only come from us Esperantists without any distinction whatever. As we did help our friends the past year, so we now are establishing a

RELIEF FUND FOR THE ZAMENHOF FAMILY

This fund shall be used to transmit to the Zamenhofs the first necessities of life, later perhaps even money, if this becomes possible. All contributions to the fund are welcome, BUT WE MUST HURRY!

The Management of the U.E.A. and the other signatories of the present appeal urgently call you to take part in this aid by all possible contributions. We turn to you all with the earnest prayer for HELP. The Esperanto Interraid, together with the Management of the U.E.A. will see that the help is administered in accordance with the conditions of similar assistance to the Polish population. The Esperanto world will be kept informed of the results of our efforts through the periodical "ESPERANTO", and other Esperanto papers are hereby kindly requested to reprint the communications.

All help is given free of costs of administration, in order to ensure the maximum of assistance. HELP SPEEDILY AND GENEROUSLY!

Very sincerely yours,

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