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Miss Anna May Price
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My dear Miss Price:

Your letter of February 26th addressed to Mr. Riggs who is our Camp Director at Algonquin, Illinois, has been referred to me for reply. The Federal Transient Service in Illinois is now registering and providing shelters for transients at seven points in the state, namely: Chicago, Rockford, Moline, Springfield, Danville, East St.Louis, and Cairo. Library facilities in these transient shelters have been arranged with the local libraries.

It is the intention of the Illinois Service Bureau for Transients to establish work camps outside of the urban centers as an outlet for these registration points. We are just getting under way in the matter of establishing such camps. Our first camp has been established one and one-half miles north of Algonquin, Illinois on the Fox River, and it is at this point that we are now interested in obtaining library facilities. We are negotiating for other work projects which may provide camp sites at various places in the state but we are not in position to arrange for library extension facilities for them at the present time.

Regarding the Civilian Conservation Camps we have no information available here as to their number or location, but I believe the CCC Camp program has already established library facilities.

Our immediate requirements as stated above, would be limited to the Camp at Algonquin, Illinois and an extension of this program is desired as rapidly as additional camps are established.

Very truly yours,



H. O. Bartlett
Supervisor, Work-Camps

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