



Group 2

Tasks

Read the text and view the table:

1. What effect did the disabled veterans have on social services?
2. How is the problem solved?
3. Is the solution approach successful? Why/why not?

M1 Transcribed Source - Statement of the Reichsamt des Inneren (the Department of Interior)

„In two conferences held on the 28. January and 19. February in the Reichsamt, which were attended by commissars of the responsible departments of the Reich and Prussia, as well as representatives of the federal states of Bavaria, Saxony, Württemberg, Baden, Hesse, the publicly examined issue of establishing a special welfare in addition to and after medical treatment for disabled veterans, which return into civil life with reduced ability to work due to disfigurement or other damage to health, was considered in depth.

There cannot be disagreement concerning the general public owes these disabled a special economical and social support besides the medical one.

Thereby it is necessary to preserve the own benefit of the disabled which is preserved or gained by the healthwise and moral blessing of a working life, the possibility of increasing their military income by themselves should be given and they should be kept away from hopelessness and bitterness with all its dangerous consequences, it is also necessary to the benefits of the national economy, which cannot dispense even the substandard workers. Furthermore there was consentaneity that the designated guidance in this matter, which affects general public interests in diversified manner, cannot be ceded to privat bodies but has to be reserved for the competent authorities of the direct or indirect government administration to prevent a fragmentation of the forces and an unbalanced and dissatisfactory developement. (...) This fundamental statement shall not push the voluntary assistance of associations, organisations, charitable institutions and so on aside. (...) In term of content of the welfare for the war veterans it is composed by the differentiation between the medical treatment and the civil social support which has to be ensured alongside or after.“¹

¹ Hauptstaatsarchiv: M1/8 Bü 255. Stellungnahme des Reichsamtes am 22.März 1915.
(author's translation)



M2 Transcribed Source²

A. Courses for left-armed

locality	teaching subjects	teaching time	number of participants	beginning
1. Paulinenhilfe	Writing, numeracy, calculating, drawing, correspondence and bookkeeping	weekly 10 hours	20	23./II. 15.
2. „	Stenography and typewriting	weekly 4 hours	15	1./III. 15.

B. Courses for right-armed and leg-amputee

locality	teaching subjects	teaching time	number of participants	beginning
3. Landesgewerbe-museum	Calligraphy and spelling, Industry, numeracy and calculating, drawing, correspondence and bookkeeping	weekly 8 hours	20	15./IV. 15.
4. „	„	„	20	15./IV. 15.
5. „	„	„	20	15./IV. 15.
6. Weimarspital	Stenography and typewriting	weekly 8 hours	25	27./IV. 15.

Courses for war disabled of various kind

locality	teaching subjects	teaching time	number of participants	beginning
7. Landesgewerbe-museum	Open art room for für members of various professions	daily 8 hours opened.	10-12	15./IV. 15.
8. Weimarspital	Modelling for members of various professions	weekly 1 1/2 hours.	15	Apri 15.
9. Städt. Elektrizitätswerk.	Training as meterman; members of various professions	daily 2-3 hours.	3	May 15.
10. Paulinenhilfe und Weimarspital.	Handling agricultural tools	daily 1-2 hours.	70	March

² Table section transcribed from: Hauptstaatsarchiv Stuttgart. M1/8 Bü 256: Zwiesele, Heinrich: Winke für die Berufsberatung unserer Kriegsinvaliden. Stuttgart 1915. p.59. (author's translation)