

May 18, 1922.

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL SMITHER:

Subject: Border Patrol.

1. A meeting was held in your office on Wednesday morning, May 17th, lasting from 10 A.M. until noon, which was attended by following persons:

Miss Katherine R. Pike, Treasury Department,
Hon. W. W. Husband, Commissioner General of Immigration,
Department of Labor,
Dr. E. B. Ball, Director of Scientific Work, Department
of Agriculture,
Dr. C. L. Marlatt, Chairman, Federal Horticultural Board,
Department of Agriculture.
Mr. E. R. Sasser, In charge of Port Inspection Work,
Federal Horticultural Board, Department of Agriculture,
Dr. G. W. Pope, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of
Agriculture,
Col. C. H. McNeil, USA, Personnel Division, General Staff,
War Department,
Colonel J. W. Wright and Major Sidney G. Brown.

2. The meeting was called to order by myself, its purpose stated and the pertinent correspondence on file in this office read aloud. The different persons in attendance stated the problems of their respective offices more or less in detail. It appeared that most of the representatives believed that a fairly high degree of coordination already exists administratively among their various representatives along the borders but the great problem on which they all desire help is that of police work or patrol duties. In respect to deficiencies in coordination it was suggested that each of the departments concerned issue an order to its own officers directing the highest degree of cooperation with the officers of other departments.

3. It was finally decided to call another meeting two or three weeks hence. In the meantime the various representatives, having been informed as to the subjects concerned, will make a more detailed study of the situation, conferring insofar as may seem advisable with their respective officers along the border, and come to the later meeting prepared to discuss the situation in the light of additional knowledge and such proposed remedies for curable conditions as may be submitted.

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