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The work of the Philanthropic committee of the City Federation for this year will be in connection with the schools.

As suggested by our president, Mrs. Altman, that I interview Dr. Smith seeing just the greatest fundamental need in this community in building up the true Americanship in the homes of our foreigners, which to a great extent can be done through the schools.

In talking with Dr. Smith I found that an afternoon Mother's sewing class under Mrs. Jaegers direction had been doing, so much to help the Mothers of large families to help themselves. Dr. Smith said that this work carried on by Mrs Jaeger had proven one of the greatest help to our foreign mothers in teaching them how to sew and make over clothes. The sewing classes held once a week from 3 to 5 P.M. in the afternoon makes it possible for the mothers to attend, who have small children they could not leave at home at night, the children being allowed to come with the Mothers.

Just to give you an idea of what has been accomplished at school No. 1 By Mrs Jaeger;- the afternoon sewing class for Mothers was started in Oct. 1915. with eight women present, seven of the women were mothers of 43 children, and in June about six months later 77 mothers enrolled.

The mothers of 275 children. Over 70 of these children attending school.

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I might go on and tell you more of the splendid outcome of this afternoon class if time permitted. After further investigation into this afternoon sewing class for Mothers we found that by having a story hour for the children that the Mothers might keep at work and make the best of the time for the afternoon. The committee were convinced that more of this work should be started. As soon as proper arrangements can be made with Mr. Shepard of school No. 20 "who is very much interested" and the facilities are ready for work of this kind an afternoon sewing class will be formed for the Mothers of school 20 and try to teach them to help themselves. I feel sure with the co-operation of Dr. Smith and Mr. Shepard, who is the principal, the philanthropic Committee can carry on a successful year.

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