

Mr. Kelly was consulted with a psychologist in Albuquerque, New Mexico, who pointed out the therapeutic value of the program in the alcohol problem.

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During the program... requires that the... the population... for... The Most Reverend... James P. Davis D.D., Archbishop of Santa Fe... Collegio della SS. Trinita... Viale Africa 33... Roma, Italia... Your Excellency... I am... during the past few weeks I have... visiting institutions which specialize in the treatment of alcoholics... I have been... the alcoholic clinic should be an entirely separate unit.

We are preparing a program report... The Director of this unit... affording the program every chance of success.

c. We should use the full Alcoholism... This... with physiological... I feel that... which... would like your approval to hire... His name is John Kelly... until about a month ago... one half... Mr. Ripley... been there at the time... Mr. Ripley gave Mr. Kelly a strong recommendation verbally... I met Mr. Kelly quite by accident while I was at Guest House... close to fifty years of age... a lawyer... expert on alcoholism... on the subject of alcoholism... and regard... be capable of developing, implementing and maintaining a complete and adequate program for the alcoholic clinic... visited the Canyon on our invitation... In fairness to him, I briefed him as fully as possible on the whole picture here. Also, in fairness to him, I would like your explicit permission to offer him a contract for housing and hospitalization.

Davis - Alcohol Unit

Mr. Kelly and I talked with a psychologist in Albuquerque, John Salazar Ph.D., who promised us the therapeutic hours to care for ten priests with the alcohol problem.

Because the proposed program will require that the priests see the psychologist for two hours each week, attend two A.A. meetings each week, have lectures twice weekly by personnel from the University and the hospitals in Albuquerque, Mr. Kelly is convinced that we need a house in the City. An Albuquerque location would also provide the opportunity for the priests to do some "supply work" which would be the ideal way of rebuilding their confidence, regaining their identities and putting this therapy into immediate practice. Villa Pius XII under the capable direction of Father Pat Maloney serves admirably as a base for supply work. It looks like an ideal place for this alcohol unit. The present supply commitments could be fulfilled. I asked Father Pat what he thought of the idea of using Pius XII for this purpose. He was opposed to it. I can appreciate his point of view. Villa Pius XII is serving both the parishes and our own need for a safe house so well at the moment that it might be better not to disturb things there.

Father Glendon and I debated the possibility of securing a place in Albuquerque for this purpose. Such places are hard to find, especially on short notice and this would add to our present load. We would like your permission to try to find such a place which could be taken on a short-term lease. This would be for ten or twelve priests.

We are preparing a progress report and a prospectus for the proposed program. I am sure that you will find the program possible and practical affording the program every chance of success.

This brings us up to date on our progress and beyond this point I feel that we should not go without the permissions from Your Excellency which I have requested. As an emergency measure and for a period of a few weeks, we could ask Mr. Kelly to commute to the Canyon from Albuquerque. We could transport the Fathers to and from the city. This would be expensive and taxing on all concerned. While these things are possible and we are willing to do them, the success of the program would be enhanced by getting completely out of the Canyon if that is not too late. We would like to start by November 1.

We feel quite strongly, Your Excellency, that these three things are important for success: (1) Travel in behalf of the program, (2) use of the fall A.A. program and (3) temporary unit work at Pius XII.

I hope that your stay in the hospital is not too painful. I am sure that you will be able to return to your duties as soon as possible. I am sure that you will be able to return to your duties as soon as possible. I am sure that you will be able to return to your duties as soon as possible.

Rev. Joseph Maloney, Superior of Villa Pius XII