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FERA Allots \$40,000 to Give

Household Science Training

to 600 Girls Here.

The women's division of the WPA was notified yesterday that a fund of \$40,000 had been allotted to New York by the FERA to train domestic servants. Mrs. Sarah S. Dennen, director of the division, announced also that she would begin today selecting women from homerelief rolls for a WPA sewing project to be opened on Monday.

The fund from the FERA will be used to give training in the preparation of food for babies, in washing clothes, bathing, bed making, table setting and other household duties. It was said that about 600 girls chosen from relief rolls would receive the training. Throughout the country \$500,000 will be spent to train a total of

7,600 servants.

Mrs. Dennen said she had been asked to submit a curriculum of courses and that it probably would be similar to that in established training services for domestics. The course of instruction, she said, would include marketing, table service, laundry, cooking and job applications. Each student will receive \$1 a week for carfare and lunches and will attend classes four days a week for five weeks.

The sewing project will be opened at 35 and 37 Third Street. Mrs. Dennen said it was hoped to establish five additional sewing projects by Feb. 1 to employ 2,500 women. The pay will range from \$60.50 to

\$93.50 per month.

The cotton fabrics to be used will be obtained from the Surplus Commodity Board of the AAA, which already has 1,329,000 yards of cotton goods in storage. In that amount there are 75,000 yards of khaki which will go into trousers for WPA workers.