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In his resolution Dickstein said: "Statements were made on the floor of this House that little groups of 'international Jewish brethren are attempting to harass the President and the Congress of the United States into plunging us into the European war unprepared,' and it is in the interest of the people of the United States to determine the truth or the falsity of such charges. Such charges should be substantisted by competent legal proof and evidence."

In an interview later, Dickstein said his challenge was particularly levelled at Senator Burton K. Wheeler and Rep. John A. Rankin. Last Wednesday Rankin made an attack on Jews on the House floor which provoked a reply from Rep. M. Michael Edelstein that was followed by the latter's death of a heart attack.

Introducing his resolution, Dickstein declared on the House floor: "In the last several years charges have been made on the floor of Congress by members--and outside of Congress by certain groups--charging that People of the Jewish faith are warmongers, seeking to bring this country into war. Similar charges were made in Congress, in which it was charged that Jawish bankers or 'international Jewish brethren are attempting to harass the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States into entering the European war.'

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"If these facts are not true and certain groups are using the Jewish minority as a scapegoat by accusing certain racial groups in this country, the country and the American people should know, if it wishes to continue unity and tolerance in this country."

# CHIPKIN NAMED HEAD OF SOCIAL WELFARE GROUP

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Other officers elected are Louis Kraft, New York, and Joseph E. Beck, Philadelphia, vice-presidents; Harold Silver, Detroit, treasurer, and Marcel Kovarsky, New York, secretery.

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