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CAMPAIGN AGAINST SENDING FOOD PARCELS TO RELATIVES IN NAZI-HELD TERRITORIES

NEW YORK, July 9, (JTA)-- A drive "to end the food package racket" and prevent the "feeding of Hitler's war machine" by sending food parcels to relatives in Nazi-held territories was announced here today by the Joint Boycott Council of the American Jewish Congress and the Jewish Labor Committee.

In announcing this drive, Dr. Josef Tenenbaum, chairman of the Council, declared that while German firms which formerly solicited orders for the delivery of food parcels to the Third Reich have been forced to halt by the President's proclamation freezing Nazi funds in this country, certain organizations and companies continue to ship food parcels to German-occupied Poland and other European territories under Hitler's control.

"The Council has definite information that food packages shipped so far to Poland have been rifled of their contents by the occupying military authorities", Dr. Tenenbaum said. "We are in possession of letters from those who received parcels originally containing butter, egg products, and cereals, the letters stating: 'I received your gift of a little tea. Thank you very much.' Some packages were stuffed with paper, and little else, when they arrived at their destination."

"The food goes to feed Hitler's armies and Gestapo agents, while the money goes by an indirect route to pay Hitler's expenses outside Europe. The firms engaged in this traffic, whether in the hope of alleviating the misery into which Nazism has plunged the European continent, or out of the desire for profit, will be forced by an informed public opinion to cease their unwitting aid to the Hitler juggernaut."

20A TO MEET IN CINCINNATI SEPTEMBER 6th

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The deceased was chairman of the Federation of Jewish Relief Organizations in England of which he was also the founder. Though his health condition was poor since 1915, he remained active in Jewish life. In 1919, during the Jewish massacres in the Ukraine, he organized a huge and impressive street parade in London protesting against the Petlura and Denikin regimes which were responsible for carrying out the pogroms. In 1920 he held a conference with Maxim Litvinov in Copenhagen which was considered as laying the foundation for the settlement of declassified Jews in Soviet Russia on the land. Later, despite failing health, he made a special trip to Moscow to negotiate an arrangement which enabled the Federation of the Jewish Relief Organizations in London to send assistance to Jews in Soviet Russia.