

AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE GIVES MARSHALL PROPOSALS ON GERMAN PEACE TREATY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 4. (JTA) -- A delegation of the American Jewish Conference today submitted to Secretary of State Marshall, who is leaving in a few days for the Moscow Conference, detailed proposals on restitution of property and human rights for inclusion in the German peace treaties. It also presented an 850-page volume reviewing "Nazi Germany's War Against the Jews," as it was revealed at the Nuremberg trials.

The delegation, which was headed by Louis Lipsky, chairman of the executive committee of the Conference, met with Assistant Secretary of State John H. Hildring, who said he would transmit its proposals to Secretary Marshall. The delegation also urged that many of the suggestions it made regarding the German treaty be incorporated into the Austrian treaty. Its memorandum contained the following major points:

1. Germany must acknowledge her guilt for her crime against the Jews and punish those who were responsible and those who benefited.
2. Human rights and fundamental freedoms must be secured for all, discriminatory legislation abolished and anti-Semitism outlawed.
3. Germany must pay reparations to the Jewish people, indemnify Jews who were victims of Nazi persecution, and restore property taken from the Jews.
4. Property of Jews who were murdered and who left no heirs must be turned over to an international Jewish body for the purpose of relief and resettlement of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution.
5. Jews must have the right to emigrate from Germany and to take their belongings with them, and Jewish displaced persons now in Germany must have continued protection of Allied or international authorities, but Germany must contribute to their maintenance.
6. The treaty provisions must be supervised and enforced by international machinery.

Copies of the proposals and the book were also handed to the British Ambassador, Lord Inverchapel, Andre Berard, Minister Counselor of the French Embassy, and Michael Vavilov, First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy.

Col. Bernard Bernstein, legal counsel to the Conference, who was in the delegation to Hildring, told a press conference that the guilt of Germany and Austria in their persecution of Jews should be recognized and preserved as a permanent record in the peace treaties. He pointed out that the surviving Jews in the occupied zones of Europe are in "thoroughly insecure areas." They should be continued under the jurisdiction of the great powers, he said, until they are able to emigrate to Palestine or elsewhere.

PALESTINE POST DENIES THAT 5,000 JEWS WISH TO QUIT COUNTRY FOR GERMANY

JERUSALEM, Mar. 4. (JTA) -- The Palestine Post has denied that 5,000 Jews in Palestine desired to return to Germany, as was stated last month by Brig. Gen. A.G. Kennington, officer in charge of displaced persons in the British zone of Germany. The Post declared that "no more than 50 Jews have applied to return to Germany since the end of the war."

ANTI-BIAS EDUCATION BILL AMENDED BY SPONSORS; UNIVERSITY HEADS OPPOSE LEGISLATION

NEW YORK, Mar. 4. (JTA) -- The New York State Committee on Discrimination announced here that it had approved certain amendments to the Austin-Mahoney Bill-- which would prohibit discrimination by institutions of higher learning in New York State--to meet the objections of groups opposed to the measure.

Meanwhile, the Association of Colleges and Universities in New York State has come out against the bill, and the heads of the four city colleges in New York City have asked that action on it be deferred for another year until after a State commission appointed to study discrimination in education makes its report.

The amendments which were offered to the Legislature last night by the bill's sponsors make more specific the exemptions granted religious and sectarian institutions, exempt faculty members from the no-discrimination provisions, exempt distinctly private schools and add a ban on segregation in education. They also delete the phrase that "education is basically a public function," which had been attacked by Catholic Church leaders.

Dr. David Petegorsky, executive director of the American Jewish Congress, which is fighting for the bill's passage, today decried attempts to make the legislation a religious issue, declaring that all surveys have shown that discrimination has hit Italian Catholics and Negroes as hard, if not harder, than Jews. "No one who is honestly determined to end bias in our educational system can any longer find any basis whatsoever for continued opposition to the bill," in its amended form, he said.

TRADE UNION LEADERS NAMED TO HEAD LABOR DIVISION OF NEW YORK UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

NEW YORK, Mar. 4. (JTA) -- Israel Feinberg, general manager of the New York Cloak Joint Board of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, AFL, and Abraham Miller, secretary-treasurer of the New York Joint Board, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, CIO, have been named to head the Labor Union Division of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York for its 1947 campaign, it was announced today by Sylvan Gotshal, president of the UJA.

The two trade union officers, who were chairmen of the 1946 drive, will head up the effort to mobilize all local unions and union members in the metropolitan area, including both locals, international unions and labor societies, behind the UJA drive. The trade union division has taken a quota of \$600,000.

AMERICAN MIZRACHI WITHDRAWS FROM VAAD HATZALAH; LAUNCHES DRIVE FOR \$500,000

NEW YORK, Mar. 4. (JTA) -- The Mizrachi Organization of America today announced its withdrawal from the Vaad Hatzalah Relief Committee and the launching of an independent one-half million dollar emergency relief drive for European religious Jewry.

The move came about as a result of charges lodged at a World Mizrachi Rescue Conference that the Vaad Hatzalah discriminated against European Mizrachi members in meting out relief supplies. The Rescue Conference held in Basle, Switzerland, at the close of the recent World Zionist Congress, heard fifty Mizrachi representatives representing more than 12,000 Mizrachi and Hapoel Hamizrachi members, file complaints that religious Jewish DP's were being "starved out" in an effort to force them into the ranks of the Agudas Israel.