

"Anti-Jewish Riots Sweep Reich to Avenge Diplomat's Killing" from *The Evening Star* (Washington D.C.) November 10th, 1938

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By the Associated Press.

BERLIN, Nov. 10.—Nazi Germany today indulged in its greatest wave of anti-Jewish violence since Adolf Hitler came to power in 1933.

As a national day of vengeance for the assassination of a German diplomat by a Jew in Paris wore on reports from every section of the country told of the burning and dynamiting of synagogues and demolition and looting of Jewish shops.

The reports indicated that the campaign was conducted with a thoroughness and precision that left little to chance.

Violence Nation-wide.

Telephoned reports from many parts of Germany showed the extent of anti-Jewish violence, which began early today.

Seven of Berlin's twenty synagogues were burned. All Vienna's twenty-one synagogues were reported burned, wrecked or badly damaged. In Munich all Jews were told by angry Nazis that they must leave the country within 48 hours.

"In numerous cities and communities of the Reich," said Goebbels' appeal, "acts of violence were committed against Jewish buildings and businesses.

"The entire population is now, however, strictly requested to desist immediately from all further demonstrations and actions of whatever nature against Jewdom.

"The final answer to Jewry will be given in the form of laws or decrees."

Police Are Helpless.

In Berlin a mob had jammed Friedrichstrasse since rioting began early in the morning. Police were helpless against the looting crowd, angered by the killing of Von Rath by Herschel Grynszpan, Von Rath, shot Monday, died yesterday.

Police said no extra officers were available to handle the Friedrichstrasse mob, as all had been sent to other trouble spots, especially to the burning synagogues.

One of Berlin's newest synagogues on Prinz Regenten Strasse was still ablaze at 1:30 p.m. The cupola was burning, although the front still was standing.

Officials would not say whether they considered the fires incendiary.

Arms Barred to Jews.

DNB, the official German News Agency, in a short bulletin said of the violence that "the grossly enraged German people vented their ire in manifold strong anti-Jewish actions."

Heinrich Himmler, chief of the secret police, issued a decree forbidding Jews to carry weapons. Twenty years in concentration camp is the penalty for violation.

No accurate estimate of the damage could be had for the window smashing, looting of shop windows and fires, but it may total millions of marks.

Gangs moving through Berlin streets before dawn smashed every Jewish store front they could identify by the white letters police orders require.

Through the late morning thousands crowded the main streets of West End Berlin to gaze at the windowless Jewish shops.

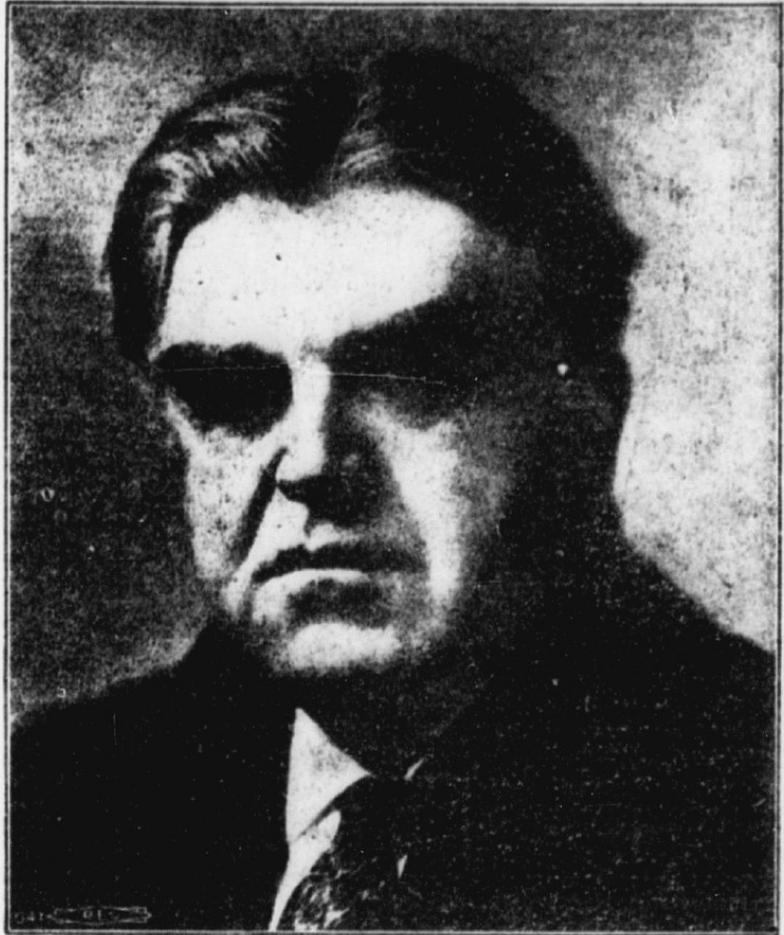
“John L. Lewis Names Hitler a Mad, Blood-Thirsty Wolf” from *The Voice* (Cumberland, MD) November 17th, 1938

JOHN L. LEWIS NAMES HITLER A MAD, BLOOD-THIRSTY WOLF

The complete reference of John L. Lewis to the Nazi terror follows:

“These are troublous times in the world of affairs. Great and sinister forces are moving throughout the world, and he is optimistic indeed who believes that those forces will not affect Americans and will not have their impact and repercussions upon the peoples in the Western Hemisphere. Democracy is on trial in the world and in the United States. We want to preserve democracy. We cannot preserve democracy here in our own country if we encourage as a people the overwhelming tidal wave of criticism, slander and abuse for an American institution like the CIO that stands for the protection of the privileges of all Americans, whether they be gentiles or Jews or of any creed or religion, or any school of thought that maintains its self respect for our institutions.

“We stand appalled today at what we witness in Europe. Whose heart can fail to become anguished as he reads in the daily press of the terrible abuses and atrocities and indignities and brutalities that are now being inflicted by the German government and some of the German people on the Jews of that nation? One of the most appalling events in history, shameful indeed to our concept of the ethics of our modern civilization which we boast, harking back to the practices of the mediaeval ages, the torture and debasement of a great race of people who only ask the right to live.



John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers of America and chieftain of the Committee for Industrial Organization, this week assembled the first convention of the C. I. O. affiliated unions in Pittsburgh for the purpose of forming a permanent national organization.

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“Our Declaration of Independence says that we hold all men to be created equal. That means regardless of his creed, his color, his race or his nationality. We foregather under that flag and we proclaim that creed, but that principle is being made a mock in the Germany of today. In Germany the labor movement was first wiped out and its leaders were harried and sent to concentration camps, and now in progressive fury and increasing brutality the German government is found inflicting these pogroms on the Jewish race.

Crisis

“The United States of America is under increasing pressure in the realm of foreign affairs. The United States of America may one of these days face a great external crisis. When this mad, blood-thirsty wolf of the German government inflicts its will upon the defenseless people of Germany, of Austria and of Czechoslovakia, and incites individuals in other countries to perpetrate the same atrocities in Europe, then it is possible that we will have to meet the German dictator as he tries to extend his domain into the realm of the Western Hemisphere. If that day comes, who is going to sustain the United States of America? Who is going to man its industries, Who is going to send its young men to military ranks to engage in war? Labor—labor! Who

Proper Treatment

“In consideration of all of these things, in consideration of the fact that we are Americans, and that we believe in the principles of our government, that we are willing to fight at any time to maintain that flag, we are going to ask from those who are the beneficiaries of that service and that attitude and that policy and that loyalty, we are going to ask proper treatment ourselves — proper treatment ourselves! And I have every confidence that our government and our state department will make emphatic representations to the German government, protesting the actions of that government in

permitting these atrocities to be inflicted on the Jewish people. I say to the government of the United States if, as and when it takes that action, the twenty million members of the CIO and their dependents will support the government and uphold its hands.

“Opinion — It Sounds Familiar” *The Afro-American* (Baltimore, MD)
November 19th, 1938

OPINION

It Sounds Familiar

Italy's new anti-Jewish code provides that Hebrews shall not adopt Italian children.

In Germany, Adolf, the crazy, has barred Jews from theatres, movies, concerts, dance halls or other places of public entertainment except those operated for Hebrews only.

Segregation has already been carried out in parks, schools, cottages, beaches, and health resorts. Inter-marriage is forbidden by law.

Everywhere Jews are being robbed of homes and businesses, beaten and chased out of town. Some are even lynched.

Every pattern of race persecution inflicted upon colored people in the United States is now being imposed upon the helpless Jewish minority.

The world is horror stricken. Leaders of civilized countries are protesting. Everybody ought to, not that it will do any good, but because every civilized person is shocked by the barbarities of Germany's insane leader.

And why won't it do any good? Well, imagine what good it would do the rest of the world to protest against the persecution of colored people in Dixie.

The only difference between the anti-Jewish barbarities in Germany and the American barbarities in Mississippi or Texas is that in Germany the government is the instigator. In America, the government forbids it by law and winks at it in practice.

"Opinion: Germany's Beam — Our Mote" from the *Afro-American* (Baltimore, MD)
November 26th 1938

OPINION

Germany's Beam — Our Mote

The NAACP and other groups have made vigorous statements condemning Hitler's intolerance and persecution of Jews and Catholics.

The brutal manner in which mad Adolf is shaking down the Jews, under the pretense of "Aryanization" of Germany, strikes the AFRO-AMERICAN with the same horror as it does other people, but we would like to remind the NAACP and others that there is no reason to fly off the handle about it.

Present events in Germany and Italy stand out in the day's news only because they are fresh and dramatic occurrences of what has been going on every day somewhere in the world with almost continuous regularity.

Day before yesterday, Italy stole the property of the Ethiopians, and Russia confiscated everybody's property. Yesterday, Japan robbed China. Today, Hitler filches everything the Jews have.

Ninety-five per cent of those who will read this editorial have known nothing but race prejudice and persecution since the day they were born.

For 250 years our ancestors were slaves and were robbed of property, homes, children, and their labor in a manner more cruel than that now suffered by the Jews in Germany. Many of them preferred to die rather than to suffer the humiliation of the auction block, the rape of their bodies, the filth of slave quarters and the whip's lash.

Nobody can tell us anything new about this kind of inhumanity. We know about it.

In our own day we have seen instances in which all of our civilized nations have thrown their Christianity out of the window in their greed and selfishness and dug their heels into the necks of racial minorities.

Let's get this straight.

There is not a particle of difference between Hitler's treatment of the Jews and America's treatment of her colored population, except that America is getting better and Germany is getting worse.

Let us do something, if we can, about the beam in Hitler's eye. But we cannot forget about the mote in Uncle Sam's eye, too.

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“Observer Describes Wrecking of Jewish Shops in Berlin” from *The Evening Star*
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Observer Describes Wrecking Of Jewish Shops in Berlin

Outbreak Declared Worst Anti-Semitic Demonstration Ever Seen in Reich

By the Associated Press.

BERLIN, Nov. 10.—In a tour of Berlin this afternoon this correspondent saw few Jewish stores or synagogues that escaped damage in 12 hours of anti-Jewish violence. Many buildings were destroyed.

The rioting reached a high point at the center of Berlin, where, at noon, thousands gathered in the streets to watch gangs pound to bits dozens of stores.

This correspondent saw dozens of men and women rush into a toy shop in the Arcade between Unter den Linden and Friederichstrasse and scoop up what they could get.

They went in after gangs of youths smashed the plate glass windows. Inside, counters, partitions and everything breakable or loose was thrown to the floor and smashed.

Few Police Visible.

Five other stores in the Arcade, known to tourists, also were plundered. Few police were visible.

A short distance away, at the cor-

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Eyewitness

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dummy with a hat on its head hung with a rope around its neck.

Further down Friederichstrasse a noonday crowd smashed the mystery around the city's best-known black magic store.

Here, as elsewhere, the crowd used iron pipe, sticks and whatever implements were available.

The mobs worked throughout the day in various sections of the city, seemingly according to plan. The swank Kurfuerstendamm quarter which suffered earlier in the morning, was revisited later by gangs who went inside shops and completed the demolition.

The outbreak appeared by far the worst anti-Semitic demonstration Nazi Germany has seen. The worst previous was in June, 1935.

This correspondent started out at daybreak with the milkman. On the tour the first damage seen was the destruction by fire of the wealthy synagogue in Fasanenstrasse, near the zoo railway station.

Clouds of smoke rose from three domes of the stone building. The interior was a furnace, with the tile roof about to collapse as the fire ate at rafters. Worship benches, books and other inflammable materials had been piled in the center.

During the morning this smoking synagogue could be seen by passengers on international trains arriving from the west. This temple, with the city's newest one on Prinzregentstrasse, both huge structures, were virtually destroyed by fire.

Hundreds of stores gaped open when workmen passed them in the morning. Near Alexander Square some 20 workers from the city market were helping themselves at a shoe store.

When this correspondent got there they were sitting on the curb, laughing and trying on pair after pair in a hunt for fits.

In front of other stores goods and furniture—including pianos—were piled high. Three boys sat on one piano, kicking the keys with their feet.

Six large plate glass windows in the capital's best-known children's furnishing store, on Leipzigerstrasse, were caved in.

This afternoon the optimistic proprietors took measurements for replacement.

"Goebbels Tells Jews in America to Keep Quiet: Anti-Semitism Flares" from *The Washington Post* (Washington, D.C.) November 12th, 1938

Goebbels Tells Jews in America to Keep Quiet

Anti-Semitism Flares

By the Associated Press.

Berlin, Nov. 11.—Germany's sudden Nation-wide outburst of anti-Semitism developed tonight into a series of secret police raids upon Jews of the upper classes amid reports that the ghetto of the Middle Ages was to be re-established in the modern Nazi Reich.

Germany officially warned Jews abroad, especially in the United States, that their "behavior" would affect future treatment of Jews in Germany.

Propaganda Minister Goebbels, writing for tomorrow's *Voelkischer Beobachter* an article intended to justify the anti-Jewish actions, expressed annoyance at what he termed "misrepresentations and distortions" of happenings here, especially in the reports of "the Jewish press of North America."

Jews of World Warned

"This will do no good to Jews in Germany," Goebbels wrote. "Rather the reverse. The German people are an anti-Semitic people, and will not tolerate having their rights curtailed or being provoked by the parasitic Jewish race.

"The anti-German outside world will do well to leave solution of the Jewish problem to Germans. If the outside world wants the Jews, it can have them."

Pillaging in Revenge

The article expressed the government's official attitude regarding the anti-Semitic reprisals, which began early yesterday with smashing of Jewish property and synagogues throughout the country in revenge for the slaying of vom Rath.

Earlier in a press interview, Goebbels said, "If Jews abroad have a heart for their coreligionists in Germany, let them be truthful in what they say about us. From their own standpoint I consider them unwise in writing so much about the Jews in Germany."

A trainload of 800 Jewish prisoners left Vienna tonight for an undisclosed destination.

Official information was lacking but it was understood they were being transported to a German concentration camp, possibly Dachau or Buchenwalde.

There was uncertainty over what would be done with the prisoners. Officials said they did not know. Some sources said they would be placed in barracks as the first move toward re-establishment of the ghetto, a special section of a city set apart for Jews only, in which all Jews must live and do business.

Other reports were that the upper class prisoners would be sent to concentration camps.

Calls Riots Unplanned

Goebbels addressed the foreign press for 45 minutes on yesterday's outburst, which he insisted was spontaneous.

"Whenever any unsavory elements even made a move to seize goods," he said, "there were always reasonable people about to prevent it.

"We did not have 100,000 police available to put one before every Jewish shop.

"It is absurd to say that this thing (the demonstration) was organized. I assure you that if I had organized it, it would have been more successful, more radical, and the result would have been quite different."

Goebbels said the very fact that the demonstrations occurred in different cities and took the same form showed they were not organized, but represented primitive reactions of the people.

“Nazi Reprisals Believed Doom of Jewish Life”
from *The Baltimore Sun* (Baltimore, MD)
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BERLIN—Scenes like the one above, showing smoke pouring from a Jewish synagogue, occurred throughout the greater Reich, as Nazis attacked Jewish places of worship and business establishments in reprisal for the assassination of a secretary of the German Embassy in Paris. (Radiophoto-Wirephoto.)

NAZI REPRISALS BELIEVED DOOM OF JEWISH LIFE

Places Of Worship And
Source Of Income All
Destroyed

Mobs Sweep Over Reich,
Avenging Death Of
Paris Diplomat

[Special Dispatch to *The Sun*]

Vienna, Friday, Nov. 11—The blow dealt to the Jews of Vienna yesterday was believed to have doomed them as an organized community. Their synagogues and prayer houses are in ruins, depriving them of regular religious life; their principal source of income, retail trade, is lost to them; their restaurants are closed and all others are forbidden to serve food or drink to Jews.

And what occurred here, although of greater intensity, was paralleled throughout the greater Reich. Yesterday's mob violence, in which stores were vandalized and looted, places of worship burned, stoned and torn to pieces and thousands of Jews arrested, was given point by the announcement of Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, who said in Berlin: "The answer to the Jewish murder in Paris will be dealt with in a legal manner."

Possible Compromise

Today's attacks focused attention on the desperation of the Jews themselves and the difficult task awaiting the attention of the Government. A possible compromise—and the only one discussed here tonight—contemplated the formation of a working corps for able-bodied Jewish men, which would furnish them and their families a living until immigration could be arranged.

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Jewish Life Believed Doomed After Day Of Nazi Reprisals

Synagogues And Shops Destroyed, Restaurants
Closed, They Face Extinction In Greater Reich

Unprecedented Terror Puts Panic Into 500,000.

[Special Dispatch to The Sun]

Berlin, Friday, Nov. 11—An anti-Semitic terror unprecedented in civilized countries since the Middle Ages is sweeping the greater Reich as Nazi authorities, ably supported by mobs, deal blow upon blow on the panic-stricken 500,000 which now compose German Jewry.

Man hunts, shootings, suicides, invasion of Jewish homes, mass arrests, orders for deportation, destruction of Jewish property on a sweeping scale, looting, defiling and burning of synagogues feature this latest action of Chancellor Adolf Hitler in his dealings with Jews of the Reich.

Some estimates place the number of Jews arrested during the past thirty-six hours as high as 10,000, a figure far exceeding that of the last previous anti-Semitic wave in June.

In Berlin, at least, many thousands of Germans are disgusted and even angered by what was done. The thousands in custody are known to include some non-Jews who were too frank in expressing in the streets their disapproval.

The immediate occasion for the onslaught was the death of Ernst Vom Rath, Secretary of the Paris Embassy, from a revolver wound inflicted by Herschel Grynszpan.

Young Assassin Weeps As He Hears Of Violence

Paris, Nov. 10 (AP)—The young Polish Jew who assassinated the secretary of the German Embassy, examined today by alienists, was reported to have wept when he learned his act brought new mob vengeance against Jews in Germany.

Seventeen-year-old Herschel Grynszpan had said he shot Ernest vom Rath Monday to protest anti-Semitism in Germany. Vom Rath died yesterday.

Vom Rath's body lay in state at the embassy and thousands of Germans, diplomats and others called early today to pay their respects.

World Jewish Congress Assails German "Crime"

Geneva, Nov. 10 (AP)—The executive committee of the World Jewish Congress today called the world's attention to "new persecution of Jews in Germany" and described the assassination of a German diplomat in Paris by a Jew as a poor excuse for the Nazi campaign.

"That crime was not the result of 'a plot of international Jewry,' but of outrageous provocation by Nazis themselves," the statement of the congress said.

"The real culprit is the stupid and criminal persecution in Germany, where all Jews are condemned without investigation by those who never cease to preach the priority of might over right, of violence and hate."

"No Regret Voiced: Goebbels Declares That Nation Followed Its Healthy Instincts" from the *New York Times* (New York City, NY) November 12th, 1938

NO REGRET VOICED

Goebbels Declares That the Nation Followed Its 'Healthy Instincts'

SHOP PLUNDERING DENIED

Nazis Defend Wave of Terror

By OTTO D. TOLISCHUS

Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BERLIN, Nov. 11.—The National Socialist regime, through Dr. Joseph Goebbels, its Propaganda Minister, and other authorized spokesmen in declarations to the foreign press, in articles in its own press and in speeches to mass meetings, today openly sanctioned the wave of terrorism, destruction and incendiarism that swept over Germany yesterday.

That wave destroyed almost all Jewish business, burned most of the synagogues and landed thousands of Jews in jails and concentration camps, besides driving many to suicide.

It was denied that these "demonstrations" were organized and it was insisted that they represented the German people's "spontaneous reaction" to the murder of Ernst vom Rath, third secretary of the German Embassy in Paris, by a young Polish Jew.

It was also denied that there had been any plundering except incidentally or that the police or fire brigades had failed to do their duty.

Finally, it was asserted that the government had done everything to end the demonstrations as rapidly as possible, and it was announced that there would be further anti-Jewish laws for a comprehensive solution of the Jewish problem in a manner "that will equalize the status of the Jews in Germany in conformity with popular anti-Semitic sentiment."

No Word of Condemnation

But in all the declarations there was no word of condemnation or regret for the excesses themselves; on the contrary, in an article in the *Voelkischer Beobachter* Dr. Goebbels declared:

"We take the stand that the reaction of the German people to the cowardly murder in Paris must be explained by the nefarious baseness of the deed.

"In it the nation followed its healthy instincts, which told it that a representative of Germany abroad for the second time had been shot down by a Jewish youngster and that if this misdeed were accepted silently and without reaction German diplomatic representatives would be put beyond the law."

In a statement to the foreign press Dr. Goebbels said:

"We could not let the police shoot at the people, with whom I sympathize."

At the same time the National Socialist regime also moved today to silence all criticism abroad. It warned the foreign press that any "lies and exaggerations" would not only be ineffective but that the Jews in Germany might have to pay for them.

"This will do no good to Jews in Germany," Dr. Goebbels wrote. "Rather the reverse. The German people are an anti-Semitic people, and will not tolerate having their rights curtailed or being provoked by the parasitic Jewish race."

Bids Jews Remain Silent

"If I were a Jew," said Dr. Goebbels, "I would remain silent. There is only one thing the Jews can do—shut up and say nothing further about Germany. I now receive innumerable letters from all kinds of foreigners complaining of the manner in which the press is misleading them about Germany."

Dr. Goebbels said it was contrary to National Socialist principles to let the people themselves solve their problems or let the people go their own way until everything got out of hand. For that reason, he said, the Jewish question would be solved by law.

"The popular reaction proved," Dr. Goebbels said, "that the people saw the disproportion between the status of the Jews and their own sentiments. We have no intention of letting the people act by themselves, but our policy will be in conformity with public opinion."

For the rest, Dr. Goebbels concluded in a warning tone, "the manner in which the Jews in Germany will be treated will depend entirely upon their good behavior and particularly that of the Jews abroad."

A survey revealed the following damage to synagogues:

Berlin—Seven burned, others damaged.

Vienna—Twenty-one burned or otherwise damaged, including one blown up.

Graz—One blown up.

Others were burned or raided at Salzburg, Treuchtingen, Bamberg, Baireuth, Munich, Potsdam, Cologne, Hamburg, Dresden, Eberswalde, Brandenburg and Kottbus.

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FRENCH DETECTIVES HUSTLE ASSASSIN HERSCHEL GRYNZSPAN, STRICKEN WITH GRIEF AND GUILT, OUT OF THE PARIS POLICE STATION

FOR A DIPLOMAT’S MURDER NAZI GERMANY TAKES AN AWFUL REVENGE ON ITS JEWS

The world discovered last week that parts of it are by no means civilized. The agent who brought about this unpleasant discovery was the little youth below and above. His father is a Polish Jew tailor of Hanover who had become a naturalized German citizen. Young Herschel Grynszpan quit Nazi Germany in 1936 and went to Paris “to live and work like other people, not like a hunted beast.” Last month Poland issued a decree intended to rid Poland of certain Poles living abroad. The Nazi Government hastened to deport all the Polish Jews it could lay hands on, for fear of their becoming permanent resi-



ASSASSIN GRYNZSPAN

dents of Germany. One such was Herschel’s father. Herschel told the aunt and uncle with whom he was living in Paris that he wanted to kill himself. The uncle tried to quiet him. Herschel did not come home that night. In the morning he bought a pistol and called at the German Embassy to see Ambassador von Welzeck. Instead he got into the office of a third secretary, Ernst vom Rath (right), a typical upperclass young German. Grynszpan fired five times, hitting him twice. Vom Rath died two days later. Foolish though his crime was, Grynszpan felt that the Nazis had given him full provocation for it. The official Nazi reaction, however, was that this was a howling act of “Jewish provocation.” Propaganda Minister Goebbels launched one of his expert jobs of popular incitement. Hitler joined in with a harangue against the Jews. In the morning of Nov. 10 booted gangs of young Nazis appeared before the synagogues of all Greater Germany. There ensued a Terror of revenge (see following pages) that made the

world shudder at the brute forces set loose in Germany. Finally the Government fined German Jews \$400,000,000, one-fifth of their total wealth. It banned them from business, from schools, from movie houses and theaters (“sitting beside a Jew is a degradation of German art”), ordered them to pay for the repairs to their stores and confiscated the insurance. The Nazis decreed also that a Jew selling his property could not charge for “good will.” Said Herschel Grynszpan, “Is this the price for the act of one desperate, foolish man like me? . . . I have decided to fast every Monday, the day I committed the gesture.”



VICTIM VOM RATH



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It all began with a Polish decree that non-registered Polish exiles would lose their Polish citizenship, must remain in their adopted countries. Not to be caught napping, the Nazis shipped 7,000 Polish Jews back to Poland. Above they bivouac outside a stable at Zbonszyn, Poland.



The bully boys who make up the inner elite of Nazidom gather with Hitler in Munich’s beer cellar. Visible (*left*) are Propaganda Minister Goebbels and (*right*) Party Deputy Leader Rudolf Hess. They talked long about vom Rath’s assassination, blamed it on “democratic instigation.”



The new Jewish synagog on Berlin's Prince Regent Street is wreathed in smoke, its roof burned out. The firemen are trying to save non-Jewish building next door (*foreground*). Crowds looted the synagog's torah rolls and vestments.

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After the wreckers have gone, a Jewish store owner of Berlin starts out with his brush to sweep up the broken glass of his windows. Göring decreed that the Jewish owners must pay for all destruction and pay a \$400,000,000 “fine.”

“World Protests Against Nazi Persecution Continue” from *The Baltimore Jewish Times* (Baltimore, MD) December 9th, 1938

World Protests Against Nazi Persecution Continue

Providence, RI – The Central Union of German Societies of Rhode Island this week issued a public declaration condemning persecution of Jews in Nazi Germany. “This barbarity,” noted the statement, “is a stigma and a moral blemish of the good name of the German people, who do not approve of them.”

Youngstown – Leading clergymen of Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish faith are pressing a nation-wide boycott of Nazi products it was made known here at a meeting arranged by the Youngstown Peace Forum.

London – Leaders of all British faiths and all three principal parties spoke from the same platform at a meeting here condemning the persecutions in Germany and in other countries.

Paris – French Catholics and Protestants today joined in protesting against the methods of persecution in the world and passed a resolution announcing its decision to assist in the relief of persecuted “non-Aryans.”

Gandhi Urges Passive Resistance For Jews

Bombay – “If ever there could be a justifiable war in the name of humanity, a war against Germany – to prevent the wanton persecution of a whole race – would be completely justified,” said Mohandas K. Gandhi, writing in his weekly newspaper. He called Germany’s anti-Semitic campaign without parallel in history and suggested that the victims try his own method of passive resistance. “If I were a Jew,” he said, “and were born in Germany and earned my livelihood there, I would claim Germany as my home, even as the tallest Gentile may, and challenge him to shoot me or cast me into a dungeon. I would refuse to be expelled or to submit to discriminating treatment.”

Rally in Washington Against Nazism

Washington D.C. – A united plea by Catholic and Protestant church leaders for “moral rearmament” against racial and religious persecution throughout the world is being supported by Senator Edward R. Burke of Nebraska who was the principal speaker at the fourth annual mass meeting of the Committee on Religious Life.

Senator Burke called upon the nation to awaken to a movement by which this country, a “shrine of civil liberty” would be a place where religious freedom had opportunity to hold full sway.

“Many of us,” asserted the Rec. Albert Joseph McCartney, who presided, “have been moved to attend out of sympathy for the Jews, and because of our profound concern for the fortunes of religious freedom in all groups.”

Protest Meetings Held in Russia

Moscow – Prominent writers, actors, and architects lashed out against current atrocities in Nazi Germany at huge mass meetings held throughout the Soviet where in Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev, and other cities large crowds gathered to protest the anti-Jewish campaign.

“Pogroms Pay! Behind the Anti-Jewish Terror in Germany” from *The Baltimore Jewish Times* (Baltimore, MD) November 25th, 1938

Pogroms Pay! Behind the Anti-Jewish Terror in Germany

By William Zukerman

While the whole world stands aghast at the ferocity of the renewed anti-Jewish terror in Germany, decent men and women everywhere, revolted by sadism and brutality, are asking why this Medievalism, why this needless cruelty? Mr. Zuckerman provides the answer in this startling analysis of the financial side of official anti-Semitism. – The Editor

During the last half a year the Nazi regime in Germany has entered a new phase in the development of its anti-Jewish policy, a phase which has not yet received from the world the attention which it deserves. This is the exploitation of anti-Semitism not only for social and psychological purpose, as has been the case until now, but also for financial aims, as a means of party and State revenue. In Nazi Germany Jewish capital and savings which have taken centuries to accumulate, are daily being confiscated without the slightest cause or reason except that they belong to Jews; Jewish industries and commercial enterprises which have been built up by generations of labor, are daily being “Aryanized,” i.e., taken from their Jewish owners, with and without nominal compensation, and given to non-Jews. Jewish savings, investments, property, even house furniture and personal belongings are appropriated. Jewish emigrants who leave Germany have 96% of their belongings officially taken from them... Finally there is the Goering decree which has already taken the first steps towards a clean sweep of every bit of property owned by German Jews whether they leave or remain in the country.

The significance of this, one fears, is not sufficiently appreciated by most people. The manifestation is too much obscured by the vapours of sadistic savagery which are not rising so heavily from Nazi Germany. Yet, these acts are of greater significance than the more spectacular physical brutalities perpetrated in the concentration camps and in the streets of Vienna and Berlin and of a greater importance to the existence of the Fascist regimes...

For Fascist anti-Semitism has now assumed a new and unique aspect. It has become a lucrative source of income for individual Fascists and for their Governments. The plain facts are that Jews in Germany are now being openly robbed and literally stripped of everything of value they possess because it has been discovered that IT PAYS TO DO SO.

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Without avail, we seek after light, after a singly ray of hopeful light, when we view the picture of the current events in the German Reich... the sufferings and the despair heaped upon persons who have the misfortune of being members of a foreign helpless race that happened to have one in their midst who committed a serious crime. For this crime, like the darkest days of history, an entire race is being held responsible, condemned and sentenced.

If, up to this time the world could believe that anti-Semitism in Germany has been the direct result of dire want and economic conditions in the country, and hoped that with an improvement in economic conditions this hatred too would disappear; this hope has now been shattered. These vents clearly show that this hatred was not created on account of the dire economic condition of the German people, but in the present political leadership of that nation.

The same mass-psychology that has accomplished so much that is good and strong in the Third Reich is now being used in work of which every German must be ashamed, or if he isn't, should be ashamed. The whole world is shocked at the atrocities committed by the German leaders against the Jews, and the entire world cannot be wrong; the judgement of the world must certainly weigh more in the scales of justice than in the last analysis than the judgement of a few men who today Germany has the misfortune of having as its leaders. Because of some of their good works gone before, these men believe they will always be the leaders of the German people, they believe their Reich will last a thousand years. But hate has never created anything permanent and hate in Germany will be Germany's loss. Hate threatens not only the existence of the German Jews, it threatens the continuance of the German Reich itself. Only madness can countenance the action of the leaders, and if the terrible practices against the German Jews continues, then one must believe that people who speak of it as madness is absolutely correct. One does not have to be known as an enemy of National-Socialism or further, an enemy of the German people, when one protests such undertakings; the German nation is on a dangerous road that will lead to complete isolation and will have the result of having the entire civilized world against them. When in view of the events in Germany, a wave of protest and anger arises in all the countries of the world and from every humane heart, then these atrocities must be condemned, and it is high time for Germany to change its course if it doesn't want to be swept away and engulfed by this wave of protest. These protests are not undue interference in the internal matters of the German Reich but a proof that this concerns the entire human race; they are the voices of world conscience and humanity and prophesy the judgement in advance – let those who have causes these conditions, beware!