
Subject:

The Jewish Question in the Foreign Policy of the Third Reich in 1939.

1. The German Jewish Policy as basis and outcome of the decisions for the foreign policy of the year 1939.
3. Means, ways and aim of the Jewish Emigration.
4. The emigrated Jews as the best propaganda for the German Jewish Policy.

It is certainly no coincidence that the first year of 1939 has brought nearer the solution of the Jewish question simultaneously with the realization of the "idea of Concord Germany." Since the Jewish Policy was both the basis and consequence of the events of the year 1938, the pressure made by Jewish influence and the destructive Jewish spirit in Politics, Economy and Culture prepared the power and will of the German people to rise against mere parochial opposition of the minor enemy called powers of the World War. The breaking of this backbone among the people was therefore essentially one of the most important requirements for creating the forces which in the year 1939 resulted in the joining together of Greater Germany, in defiance of the world.

To all diplomats and qualified consular representatives abroad.
The necessity for a radical solution of the Jewish question arose however, also as a consequence of the general political developments, which resulted in a further 500,000 Jews in Austria. In addition to the 800,000 of the Jewish faith living in the Old Reich, the influence of Jews on Austrian society, which had grown to enormous proportions under the Schönherr regime, made immediate measures necessary, with the aim of excluding Jewish property from German economy and ultimately Jewish property in the interests of the community. The action carried out as special for the members of Legations Counselor von Rath (Geheimer Rat) accelerated this process to such an extent that Jewish shops—still then with the exception of foreign businesses-disappeared from the streets completely. The liquidation of the Jewish property in large cities, and of houses and real estate in the hands of Jews, will gradually reach a point when it will not longer be any talk of Jewish property in Germany. Nevertheless it must be emphasized that this is an exclusion of Jewish property without compensation, as for instance, the confiscation of Church property during the French revolution. On the contrary the Displaced Jew receives Reich Bonds for his goods, and the interest is credited to him.

The focal point of German Jewish Policy is the evacuation of all the Jews living in Polish territory. It is foreseen that already the thorough measures in the separate phases, which have prevented the Jew from earning and make his life on his dividends, will further the desire to emigrate. Looking back on the last 8 years since the assumption of power it is however obvious that neither the Law for the Reorganization of the Professional Branches of the Civil Service nor the Rosenberg-Jewish laws with their restrictive regulations, which prevented any tendency of Jews being naturalized, contributed to any extent to the Emigration of German Jews. On the contrary every period of domestic political tranquility has resulted in such a stream of Jewish Emigration returning, that the Statos has been obliged to order Jewish emigrants with German passports into a deplorable camp for political supervision.

The Jew was excluded from Politics and Culture. But until 1903 his powerful economic position in Germany was unbroken, and now his emigration causes to hold out until further indicated state, indicative of the tendency of this "deploring" position is the program of a Jewish Party recently formed in Poland, to fight against all Polish measures aimed at Jewish emigration. As long as the Jews can earn money in Germany, then in the opinion of Bialy Jews the Jewish position in Germany need not be given up.

But the Jews have underestimated the consequences and the extent of the National Socialist purpose. The powerful Jewish position in Vienna and Prague collapsed in 1938 at the same time as the system of state in Central Europe crumbled at Versailles to keep Germany down. Italy abandons its friends, with his Naval Base in the fight against Jews. An expert on the Jewish question, Prof. Haas took over the government in Bohemia with a program aimed against Jews, without however being able to carry it out because of overwhelming international pressure from Paris and London. Jews in Hungary and Poland.
was subjected to Special Laws. Everywhere the success of German foreign policy was clearly established upon the foundation of Jewish statehood which had been established for hundreds of years from Dublin and in far-off States, like the treasure
of an archeologist.

It is also understandable that World Jewry, which has achieved success in its successful political activity, saw its major goal in the development of the German state in Europe. For the states of Parliamentary Democracy in Europe, as nations proved, helped the Jews to achieve sovereignty and political power at the expense of the people in whose country they lived. It is certainly the first time in history that Jewry may consider a secure position.

This resolution was first proposed in 1936. It is evident in the efforts of the German government particularly those of the United States of America, to put the long-delayed American Jewry, who has long been a matter of international concern, under international control and protection. The American President Roosevelt has stated that "now it is well known, is ensured by a voice of experts of Jewry among his closest contributors," called a Special Conference as early as the month of 1938 to discuss the refugee questions.

The question of freedom is the first essential for organized Jewry. Freedom of speech, remained unimplemented. Firstly the question of how this migration should be organized and financed and secondly the question of the right of Jews to return to their homes. In answer to the first question the International Jewry in particular did not appear willing to contribute. On the contrary the Conference - and later the Committee, formed by the leaders under the direction of Rabbi Dr. Nahman - regarded the main task as that of forcing Germany to agree to the integration of Jewish properties to the greatest possible extent. In other words, Germany was to pay for the elimination of the 70,000 Jews with German National Property. It is at the same time to be noticed whether International Jewry ever seriously questions the right of these Jewish Jews from Germany and other states at all, unless there was no equivalent of a Jewish State. The last attempt to be assigned to Jewish property, were in every case small lots at odd localities of Jews than at the transfer of Jewish property.

It goes without saying, that the transfer of even a fraction of Jewish properties, would be impossible from the aspect of law of foreign exchange. The purchasing of a small migration of German Jews is therefore still essential. Questions could be answered easily thus, that Germany for her part remained that International Jewry - particularly relations of Jews the more essential - would support the migration as vigorously as it made it possible for its institute to follow and to immigrate to Germany, at a time when Germany was so weak that she could not stop the stream of Jews from the East. It should be emphasized however that according to official and statistic figures, the major proportion of Jews immi-

migrated to Germany without homes and cash money in a few
years of decades, while the German people lost their possessions as a result of the reparations imposed by the Treaty of Versailles or faced the choice of the unemployed. Consequently, Germany had no sympathy for the composition, with which an ostensibly humanitarian world concluded German of illegally appropriating property which was taken away from the German people by Jewish business methods.

The second question, to what country should an organized Jewish migration be directed, could scarcely be answered by the British Convention, as each of the European nations was having announced that they were fundamentally concerned with the refugee problem. Declared that there were not to be positions to take large numbers of Jewish immigrants into their territory. After over 100,000 Jews even in 1920's had succeeded either legally or illegally in escaping abroad and establishing themselves in someone else's country, either with the help of their Jewish relatives living abroad or circumspectly disposed from a humanitarian point of view, almost every state in the world has in the meantime hesitatingly eased its borders against these persecuted Jewish immigrants. The problem of Jewish emigration is therefore for all countries concerned not a momentary. Many states have already become so enlightened, that they issued a permit made out by Jewish authorities for Jews travelling in the United States or in Germany, saying that there is nothing against their returning.

The solution, however, of only about 100,000 Jews has already sufficed to test the interest if not the undertakings of ships companies in the Jewish cause. We can estimate that the Jewish question will extend to a problem of international politics when large numbers of Jews from existing Poland, Hungary and Romania are put on the move as a result of increasing pressure from the people of the countries where they are living. Even for Germany the Jewish problem will not be solved when the last Jew has left German soil.

It is even today an important duty of German policy to control and make possible direct the flow of Jewish emigrants, to be sure there is an incentive to cooperate with other countries such as Poland, Hungary and Romania, whereest the Struggle is striving for the emigration of the Jewish element on their condition, to re-attain to solve this problem. Thus, even the increase in this procedure results above all toward the real goal, and effects the realization of Germany's largest claim for German Jews to be admitted into other particular countries.

It is true that the Austrian Government sent an official appeal to the Polish Government in the case of German citizens and Jews, to join with them in an international action to solve the Jewish question. In the other case, Poland, in the case of October last year issued a decree, the execution of which has now made practically impossible for 60,000 Jews of Polish nationality residing in Lithuania to return to Poland, as it will mean that the Polish Government had then to decide to deport to Poland all Jews of Polish nationality who will be returned by their countries, shortly before the Polish elections take place.

The Austrian Government is thus speaking of the Austrian Jewish Policy in so far as they themselves have
The "organization" of Hungarians - Jewish businessmen in Germany that is Jewish centers of firms will be replaced by Hungarians. In general however it is apparent that the stock owners are more egotistically interested in exporting their own Jewish elements than in any international solution. In Germany the Jews therefore took the initiative through an organization of all to find ways, means and conditions for Jewish emigration from Germany.

Palestine - which has already become the stage of world politics, as the land for the refugees - cannot be considered as the target for Jewish emigration, because it is incapable of absorbing a mass influx of Jews. Under the pressure of Arab resistance the British Mandatory Government has restricted Jewish immigration into Palestine to a minimum.

For the time being, Jewish emigration to Palestine was helped to a great extent, as far as it could be controlled, by the signing of an agreement with the representatives of Agency in Palestine, which made it possible to transfer Jewish property in the form of additional exports (immigrant properties). Apart from the fact that emigration was made possible by this, special for a small number of wealthy Jews only, but not for Jews without money. * There was no fundamental consideration of foreign policy against this type of emigration: the transfer of Jewish property out of Britain contributed to some extent to the building of a Jewish State in Palestine. Germany must regard the founding of a Jewish State as dangerous, even if it were to be a small one. Such a state would face just such an operational basis as the Nations for Political Emigration. Hence the realization of Jewish state will always be the irreconcilable enemy of this Third Reich, because its decision to prevent any strengthening of the Jewish position. A Jewish State however would bring an international economic interest to itself. The Jewish problem is solved.

Alfred Rosenberg expressed this idea in a speech in Berlin on 25 January this year: "The whole world is fighting today for a Jewish State in Palestine. Not to give Jews all over the world a homeland but for other reasons: We must transfer to a state in which to send additional representatives and receive representatives to all countries of the world and through them the Jews be able to further their interests, for many, and not only for the Zionists. If they can also the State where the Jews live from all parts of the world, who are housed by the people of other countries, issues them with new passports and then send them to another countries, it is to be desired, that these people who are friendly disposed to us Jews, above all the Western democracies and free as much money in all parts of the world as their disposal, place an arm outside Palestine for Jews.

German Jews - in order to establish a Jewish home.

* Fuehrer Note: Are there such people?
opposition of the native population and thereby force the best propaganda for the German Jewish Policy.

In Europe, in South America, in France, in Holland, Belgium, and Greece, everywhere wherever the flood of Jewish emigrants reached, there is today a visible increase in anti-Semitism. A task of the German Jewish Policy must be to further this wave of anti-Semitism. This will be achieved less by secret propaganda directed, as done by the propagandists, with the Jews in mind toiculo their comrade in arms. In this and its effects will result in their interests. The reports from Jewish authorities abroad, emphasize the correctness of this interpretation.

The press and official correspondents continually report anti-Semitic demonstrations by the population of North America. It is perhaps indicative of the antisemitic political development in 31, that the listening-politic of the native population, with whom is well known to be anti-Jewish, has grown to over 25 millions. The Ministry of Justice states that in 30 December last year, "that the Jewish influx continued" for months, week by week. It grew without pause, and anti-Semitism is proving.

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the population saw with its own eyes and thus learned, that the Jewish danger was to them. The poorer and therefore the more numerous the immigrant saw is to the country absorbing, etc., the stronger this country will resist and the more desirable it is to act in the interests of German propaganda. The object of this German action is to be the future international solution of the Jewish question, distanced far from these assumptions for the so-called 'religion in the Jewish community' but by the full consciousness of all peoples of the danger which it represents to the racial composition of the nation.

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