

# The Burning of Jewish Books in Germany

*Over Half a Million People March in Protest Through New York*

## American Jewry Protests While Jewish Books in Germany Burn

*New York, May 10th.*

AMERICAN Jewry demonstrated to-day in protest against the burning of Jewish books in Germany, holding the greatest march in the history of American Jewry. Over half a million people are estimated to have taken part in the demonstration in New York alone, and hundreds of thousands participated in the demonstrations that were held in the other American cities.

In New York the march started at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and went on till about midnight, when the burning of the books in Berlin took place.

All classes and members of all political parties marched in the procession, carrying thousands of placards and banners.

The American war hero, General Bryan, headed the procession, and many prominent Christians, among them Mr. Bainbridge Colby, who was State Secretary in President Wilson's Administration, addressed the marchers, condemning the policy pursued by Hitler Germany.

### "A Courageous and Great Symbolic Act"

#### THE BONFIRE IN BERLIN.

*Berlin, May 10th.*

HUGE crowds attended to-night the midnight burning of Jewish and other "un-German" books in the public squares of all the German cities. In Berlin Dr. Goebbels, the Minister of Propaganda, was present in the Opera House Square, where the Berlin bonfire was built, and broadcasting during the execution told the listeners throughout the country how the flames were eating up the outpourings of the un-German spirit and cleansing the new Germany. He praised the action of the students in destroying the work of the foxy and over-astute Jewish intellectualism, and acclaimed it as a courageous and a great symbolic act to cleanse the German libraries of the Jewish filth.

The Berlin Nazi student leader Gutjahr, in kindling the vast bonfire, said: "I give up to the flames Sigmund Freud and his school. Let the flames swallow the falsifier of history, Emil Ludwig Cohn, the national-alien journalists, Theodor Wolff and Georg Bernhard, the corrupt and degenerate author of 'Jew Suss.'"

Immense crowds filled Unter-den-Linden, leading into the Opera House, singing the Nazi Horst-Wessel anthem and other Nazi songs, accompanied by numerous bands.

In Munich the Nazi students marched past the Hitler Brown House, where the Nazi leaders were

assembled to take the salute, and proceeded to the koenigsplatz where hundreds of thousands of people had already gathered and were harangued by the Nazi student leader, who concluded his speech with the demand that every German must throw out of his home all Jewish and un-German books and follow the example of the students.

In the course of the collection of the "un-German" books for the bonfires, Jewish bookshops were raided by Nazi students, and all books on the black list were seized, the shopkeepers being compelled to sign a document that they had given them up voluntarily.

Private citizens are afraid that their home libraries will be forcibly despoiled in the same way.

## Great Protest Meeting in Paris

*Paris, May 10th.*

ABOUT 6,000 people attended a protest meeting held here to-night to protest against the burning of books by Jewish authors and other so-called un-German works in Germany. M. Louis Rollin and M. François Pietri, former members of the Government, were among the speakers, and messages were received from all the universities, learned societies, literary bodies and many other organisations expressing indignation at the vandalism committed under the authority of the German Government.

The Chief Rabbi, M. Israel Levi, and the President of the Alliance Israélite Universelle, Professor Sylvain Levi, in replying to the speeches delivered at the meeting, expressed their gratitude to the French nation.

The famous novelist, M. Claude Farrere, said that France was proud to receive in her midst the Jewish intellectual elite driven out of Germany, and looked upon them as a precious addition to her strength.

## Ill-Treatment of Jews in Upper Silesia

### LEAGUE OF NATIONS WILL NOT CONSIDER PETITIONS.

*Warsaw, May 13th.*

THE League of Nations Secretariat has decided to state its view, it is learnt here from Geneva, that the petitions dealing with the persecution of Jews living in German Upper Silesia (submitted to it by the Clubs of Jewish Deputies in the Polish and Czechoslovakian Parliaments) are unreceivable. This is on the ground that the Polish-German Convention provides only for petitions by citizens of Upper Silesia, and not by organisations outside the territory.

Jewish political quarters here express astonishment that the League of Nations, instead of considering the facts of the situation, should take refuge behind a technical formality.

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