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Germany, Govt of Miscellaneous
Sept-Dec 1941

2 U. S. Citizens Shot By Nazis, Poles Charge

PARIS, Feb. 7 (UP).—A Polish Government communique asserted today that an American citizen named Szczygiel and his 19-year-old American citizen son were among 138 Poles executed by Germany at the town of Wawer, near Warsaw, in reprisal for the murder of two German police.

It was alleged that after the murder a battalion of German Landeschutzen reached the town and announced that in reprisal one in every 10 persons at Wawer and the nearby resort town of Anin would be shot.

"Throughout the night whole families were dragged from their homes and placed in groups of 10 along a fence and shot with machine guns," the communique said.

"Of 138 massacred, 17 were

women, two were doctors, and 34 were aged between 12 and 18 years or were over 60.

"Still unsatisfied, the Germans halted a train between Wawer and Otwock and executed one in every five passengers. The proprietor of the restaurant at which the policemen were shot was hanged, buried, dug up and re-hanged. The Germans refused to give bodies to families and the bodies were buried where the victims had been shot.

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~~The Mayflower
Washington D.C.~~

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Dear Miss Hand
I've written, it
not abominable?
Is there a moment
to see Mr. Roosevelt
if I call you tomorrow
Friday morning could
you manage it?
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TELEGRAM

The White House
Washington

*General Watson
to CR*

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9:08 AM

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SI NEW YORK, N. Y., OCTOBER 25, 1941

THE PRESIDENT.

YOUR STATEMENT CONDEMNING THE NAZI EXECUTION OF HOSTAGES IS ANOTHER OF YOUR COURAGEOUS CONDEMNATIONS OF NAZI BRUTALITY AND EXPRESSES THE FEELINGS OF ALL AMERICANS WHOM THE SPIRIT OF APPEASEMENT AND DEFEATISM HAS NOT BLINDED TO THE MORAL ISSUES.

THE PERPETRATORS OF SUCH OUTRAGES CANNOT BE APPEASED. THEY CANNOT BE NEGOTIATED WITH. THEY CAN ONLY BE ELIMINATED FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH.

THE COMMITTEE TO DEFEND AMERICA IS CALLING UPON ITS LOCAL COMMITTEES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND ALL ORGANIZATIONS WHO SYMPATHIZE WITH ITS PROGRAM TO JOIN WITH IT IN HOLDING MEETINGS OF CONDEMNATION TO NAZI TERRORISM AND MURDER ON LAND AND SEA. THE FREE WORLD ASSOCIATION IS COOPERATING WITH THE COMMITTEE TO DEFEND AMERICA IN ARRANGING SIMULTANEOUS MEETINGS OF CONDEMNATION IN LATIN AMERICA, CHINA AND OTHER COUNTRIES WHERE MEN ARE FREE TO EXPRESS MORAL INDIGNATION.

CLARK M. EICHELBERGER, CHAIRMAN
COMMITTEE TO DEFEND AMERICA.

x # 8 West 40th Street.

October 27, 1941

My dear Mr. Michelberger:

The President has asked me to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of October twenty-fifth. You may be assured that he appreciates your interest in wiring.

I am

Very sincerely yours,

EDWIN M. WATSON
Secretary to the President

Clark M. Eichelberger, Esq.,
Chairman,
Committee to Defend America,
8 West 40th Street,
New York, N. Y.

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MACGABEE, S.K., Chairman,
Hostage Memorial Committee,
New York, N.Y.
10-24-41.

Writes that the Hostage Memorial Committee has been formed to express the condemnation of the inhuman slaying by the Nazis of innocent men and women for crimes committed by others. Invites Mr. Early to join this Committee.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

October 30, 1941

On above date Hon. Lowell Mallett said The Committee to Defend America plans to make Sunday, November 16, a Day of Protest against Nazi execution of hostages and general German brutality, with rallies and mass meetings in this country, Europe, Asia and South America. Clark Eichelberger, National Chairman, hopes the President will proclaim it a day of indignation and protest—he also suggests the possibility of the President speaking at the Washington meeting that evening, probably in Constitution Hall, or that the President make a national broadcast. Mr. Mallett, states, in his opinion, would be better to have this remain a spontaneous demonstration by citizens, in response to what the President has already said, rather than a protest asked for by the President—and unless instructed otherwise, will make this response to Mr. Eichelberger's proposal. Note attached: DJB - Call Lowell Mallett in the morning and tell him President says OK. Pencil note: - Telephoned Mallett OK 10/31/41.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Attention Mr. Summerlin
Nov. 27, 1941

Miss Tully referred for acknowledgment, letter of 11/21/41 to the President from Tuge Heilbrouner, Hotel Regina, Havana, Cuba, sending 5 stamps, "Fuerstentum Liechtenstein" in various denominations, which he hopes will please the President. Says he and his mother are refugees from Germany and they are waiting in Cuba for their U.S.A. visa; is looking forward very much to coming to the U. S. because he hopes that he can soon then be a help to his mother. (mdp)
(stamps did not come to file)

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