

Requests for Aid to Jews - General: Eagle Electric Mfg. Co., Inc.

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JUL 14 1944

Dear Mr. Ludwig:

I have your letter of May 23, 1944, concerning the establishment of the War Refugee Board and requesting information concerning the work of the Board in rescuing the persecuted peoples of Europe.

To accomplish the purpose for which it was created, the War Refugee Board has initiated numerous measures to assist persons to escape from enemy and enemy-occupied countries, to find havens of refuge for them, to obtain better treatment for those for whom escape is not possible, and to induce the satellite countries to desist from cooperating with the Nazi policy of persecution and extermination of minority peoples. The Board has stationed representatives in strategic countries in order to expedite these measures.

In connection with the problem of finding places of asylum for those who are enabled to escape from enemy-controlled areas, you will be interested to know that the President has recently taken action to establish an Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York, which will be equipped to care for approximately 1,000 refugees for the duration of the war or until they can be returned to their homelands.

I assure you that the Board is doing everything in its power to achieve its humanitarian objectives, knowing that the measure of its success will be the number of lives saved.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle  
Executive Director

Mr. Louis Ludwig,  
President,  
Eagle Electric Mfg. Co., Inc.,  
Long Island City, New York.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 23, 1944

Mr. John W. Pehle  
Executive Director  
War Refugee Board  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

The President and Congress are to be commended upon setting up the War Refugee Board.

However, the really difficult task of accomplishing results will resolve upon the Board and yourself in particular.

May I inquire at this time as to what is being done to expedite the rescue of the threatened Jewish people in Europe?

Also--is the Board taking any steps to have opened the doors of Palestine as a haven for the people who can be snatched out of Hitler's slaughter pits.

The plight of the Jewish people is more acute than ever, and it behooves us to bestir ourselves to prompt and effective action to expedite their rescue.

I trust that your efforts will bear early fruit in the saving of human lives.

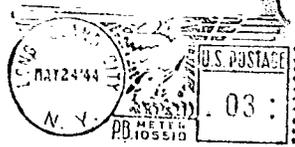
Sincerely yours,

*L. Ludwig*  
Louis Ludwig  
President

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Mr. John W. Fehle  
Executive Director  
War Refugee Board  
Washington, D.C.

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JUN 5 1944

Dear Mr. Ludwig:

The President has referred to me your letter of May 23, 1944, concerning the establishment of the War Refugee Board and urging speedy relief for Jewish refugees.

The interest which you have expressed in this undertaking is appreciated. I assure you that everything in our power will be done to see that effective action is taken to save the victims of enemy oppression who are in imminent danger of death.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Pehle  
Executive Director

Mr. Louis Ludwig,  
President,  
Eagle Electric Mfg. Co., Inc.,  
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New York.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 23, 1944

Franklin Delano Roosevelt  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. President:

You are to be commended upon your action in setting up a War Refugee Board.

The plight of the Jewish People is more acute than ever, and it behooves us to bestir ourselves to prompt and effective action to expedite the rescue of these threatened people in Europe.

While the good intentions of various neutral European countries are commendable, the fact remains that they can take only a limited number. Other countries have indicated clearly enough that they will not take any substantial number even for temporary refuge.

Therefore there can be no question that the entire program of rescue depends upon opening the doors of Palestine as a haven for the people who can be snatched out of Hitler's slaughter pits.

The opening of the doors in Palestine would be a practical and humanitarian act. May I therefore bespeak your kind and prompt consideration of the use of your good offices in an endeavor to open the doors of Palestine to save the surviving Jewish people of Europe from extinction at the hands of Nazi Germany.

With many thanks for your kind consideration, I remain

Respectfully yours,

*L. Ludwig*  
Louis Ludwig  
President

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