

UNITED JEWISH Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

As country after country is liberated from the Nazi terror, the magnitude of the world tragedy of the Jews of Europe begins to be seen. It is now reported that only 1,500,000 of the 6,500,000 Jews of the Continent, outside Russia, have survived, and that two-thirds of these are homeless, near death, and utterly destitute. Never before has the world known such a horror as this, and never before has pity been so urgently challenged.

The United Jewish Appeal campaign now under way hopes to be equal to the task of answering this heartbreaking call of need. Its drive for a rescue fund of \$75,000,000, to be raised throughout the nation, must succeed. If help is found in time, the pitiable fragment may yet be saved.

Through the war years the work of rescue, supported mainly by Americans, went on; but it had to be done from outside the prisoning European fortress and against immense handicaps. Contact between the afflicted and their helpers was cut off by scornful tyranny and bristling frontiers. There was no way of doing the full job, no way, even, of knowing what the full job was. Now that tyranny is doomed and frontiers are opening, the tide of relief can flow in. For thousands of living it may even now come only in the last moment to be of use.

Four leading national agencies—the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, the National Refugee Service and the National Jewish Welfare Board—have joined hands to present the cause to the public of Greater New York. The undertaking is the largest ever made by any Jewish group in this country, if not in the world, and it will be the only campaign in New York of the four participating agencies. The fund will save lives not only in Europe, but also in every continent and country to which refugees from the Hitler persecution have been scattered.

Thousands of us are nowadays asking in our hearts, "What can we as individuals do to heal the wounds the world has suffered in this worst of wars?" To respond to this call is one of the surest ways of doing our part.

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United Jewish Appeal

New York ~~World~~ Telegram

APR 7 1945

For Europe's Surviving Jews.

The United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, representing four Jewish relief agencies, has begun a drive this week to raise here as much as possible toward the \$75,000,000 sought this year to help the 1,500,000 Jews in Europe who have survived Nazi massacre and persecution.

Of these 1,500,000 who remain of the former 6,500,000 Jews in continental Europe, at least 1,000,000 are known to be destitute, homeless, starving and in need of clothes. Many are ill and weak.

The hope of saving many of these survivors rises with every forward move and victory of the Allied armies, every advance toward the complete crushing of Hitler's power to inflict further cruelties upon Jews or anyone else.

This certainty of Nazi doom should greatly stimulate desire to do all that money can do for these suffering Jews who have come through Europe's holocaust with little or nothing save their bare lives. They can at least be helped to live.

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MAR 9 1945

MCNUTT DEMANDS 60,000,000-JOB U. S.

Says Full Employment is the Difference Between Healthy Society, One Open to War

Maintaining that "full employment is the difference between a healthy society and an ailing society open to the virus of a new fascism and a new war," Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Administrator and chairman of the War Manpower Commission, declared last night that "there is a definite hope for a 60,000,000-job America" in the post-war period.

Mr. McNutt was the principal speaker at a dinner of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York at the Hotel Plaza, at which more than 600 persons prominent in the business and professional life of the city pledged their support to the appeal and its four agencies, the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal, National Refugee Service and the National Jewish Welfare Board.

Monroe Goldwater, 1945 campaign chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, presided at the dinner and Samuel Hausman, chairman of the committee on special gifts, was master of ceremonies. The other speakers included Louis Broido, executive chairman of the campaign, who outlined a ten-point program to be followed by the four agencies, and Attorney General Nathaniel L. Goldwater.

10,000 Volunteers to Help

Mr. Goldwater revealed that when organization has been completed more than 10,000 men and women will be enrolled in 160 trade, professional, borough, women's and special groups enlisting support for the United Jewish Appeal for Greater New York. Although the United Jewish Appeal nationally was dissolved last month after the inability of two of its agencies, the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee, to agree upon the division of the funds collected, the local organization has been maintained intact.

Mr. McNutt declared that all Americans must be protected against unemployment as Americans today are protected against robbery, fire and violence at home. He said that protection against unemployment "is a double protection that will also guard our society against such psychological phobias as Jew-baiting, Negro-baiting and fascism."

"Full employment is a principle that can be accepted by all of us," Mr. McNutt said. "By the majority who oppose socialism and communism. By the small minority who favor socialism. By these Americans who desire Government to assume a larger role in the life of the nation. And by those Americans who would prefer to see Government play a minor role in the life of the nation. Whatever our differences—and they are many in a democracy—we can all unite in common responsibility to achieve a 60,000,000-job America."

Outlines 4 "Must" Programs

Mr. McNutt said that the agencies in the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York were confronted with four "must" programs: emergency relief, rescue and rehabilitation for Jews in the liberated and occupied areas; settlement and rebuilding in Palestine; aid to the needy among America's refugees and support for the welfare program on behalf of Jewish fighting men and women.

"The question has been asked whether the United Jewish Appeal will duplicate the work of UNRRA [the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration], Mr. McNutt continued. "The answer is: No. UNRRA's rehabilitation assignment is a gigantic one. It will need not only the resources of its forty-four associated governments, but the support also of public and private organizations, such as the United Jewish Appeal. Your organization, I understand, has already pledged its full support to UNRRA."

Mr. McNutt said that the program of the United Jewish Appeal and its four component agencies "constitute a service that is desperately needed today." He reviewed the plans made by each of the agencies and said that they deserved the support of all Americans.

Tells of Tasks for 1945

Mr. Broido said that the four agencies would carry out a ten-point program in 1945 that would embrace plans for world-wide relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and welfare activity. He said the program would include the following points:

Emergency relief for more than 1,000,000 of the 1,500,000 Jewish men, women and children who have survived the war in Europe; aid in the reconstruction of religious, community and local welfare institutions in the devastated cities abroad.

Continued support for Jewish refugees who found temporary havens in Allied and neutral countries.

Continued efforts to rescue victims of oppression in enemy and occupied countries.

An intensive program for the transportation and emigration of uprooted Jews to Palestine and other havens.

The development of Palestine as a refuge for many thousands of homeless and stateless Jews now wandering throughout Europe.

The encouragement of agricultural, trade and industry development in Palestine to increase the capacity of that country to absorb new immigrants;

Aid to the Palestinian armed forces serving the cause of the United Nations.

Assistance to new immigrants in the United States and the provision of supplementary services such as religious equipment, medical supplies and recreational facilities for approximately 1,000 refugees at the emergency refugee shelter at Fort Ontario, N. Y.

The provision for religious, recreational and cultural services on behalf of the 500,000 Jewish men and women in the United States armed forces.

A program of service to the youth of the country through the 293 Jewish community centers and Y's.

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The New York Times.
JAN 18 1945

\$9,000,000 RAISED — HERE FOR APPEAL

Certificates of Honor Are Presented to Leaders for Help to Refugees

Monroe Goldwater, chairman of the 1944 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine, announced last night that residents of New York City contributed more than \$9,000,000 last year to the campaign. Mr. Goldwater made his announcement at the second annual founders' dinner of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York at the Hotel Commodore at which 300 leaders of industries, trades and communities heard a report of the 1944 campaign activities.

William Rosenwald, one of the chairmen of the National United Jewish Appeal, presented certificates of honor to a number of Jewish leaders, who, through their work for the appeal, have been designated as founders. Dr. Jonah B. Wise, chairman of the board of the appeal, presided at the dinner. Other speakers included Sylvan Gotshal, president of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York; Frank L. Weil, president of the Jewish Welfare Board, and Louis Brodsky, chairman of the Trades Council.

During the day, the board of directors of the appeal, representing the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, elected the following officers of the corporation for 1945:

Henry Ittleson, Nathan Straus and Mrs. Felix M. Warburg, honorary presidents; Dr. Jonah B. Wise, chairman, board of directors; Sylvan Gotshal, president; Mrs. Walter A. Hirsch, vice president; Mrs. David M. Levy, vice chairman, board of directors; Alexander E. Arnstein, treasurer; Samuel D. Leidesdorf and Abraham L. Liebowitz, co-treasurers; William Rosenwald, secretary; Henry C. Bernstein and Samuel Blitz, executive vice presidents, and Melville L. Rappaport, assistant secretary.

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NEW YORK DAILY PM - JANUARY 18, 1945

9 Millions for Refugees

New Yorkers contributed more than \$9,000,000 to the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine last year, Monroe Goldwater, chairman of the 1944 fund, announced last night.

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Jewish Council Backs Campaign for Refugee Funds

Solicitation of members of the Jewish community in Evansville in supporting the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine will be held here by the local Jewish Community Council. Highlighting the drive will be a dinner meeting at 6 p. m. next Sunday at the Hotel McCurdy when Lt. Comdr. Joshua L. Goldberg, senior assistant to the district chaplain for the Third Naval District of the U. S. Navy, will be guest speaker.

According to John W. Pehle, executive director of the President's War Refugee Board, the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine have contributed most of the funds for the rescue and relief programs carried on by the War Refugee Board created by President Roosevelt last January.

Chaplain Goldberg has just returned from an overseas trip to front lines in the Western war theater where he brought greetings of the Secretary of the Navy to chaplains of all faiths.

He has been prominent in the civic and communal life of New York City and is the author of a number of articles on Jewish and American life.

The Jewish Community Council of Evansville, which is sponsoring the drive, represents the members of the three local synagogues and is headed by Sam Sater, chairman, and Herbert DeJong, vice chairman.



LT. COMDR. J. GOLDBERG

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SEP 7 - 1944

Helped 79,000 Jews to Escape United Jewish Appeal Spent \$107,470,000

Since the outbreak of war five years ago the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine has spent \$107,470,000 in rescue and rehabilitation work, it was announced today.

The report, released by Rabbi James G. Heller, William Rosenwald and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, national chairman, showed that the Joint Distribution Committee assisted 79,000 Jewish men, women and children to escape from Europe and find refuge in the Western Hemisphere and Palestine.

At the present time it is laying the groundwork for the restoration of Jews in liberated territories and has expanded its res-

cue, relief and rehabilitation program in Allied, neutral and occupied countries.

The Jewish Palestine Appeal aided in establishing agricultural settlements and new war industries in Palestine and assisted in the enrollment of more than 50,000 Jewish men and women in the British armed forces and Pales-

tine Home Guard. The National Refugee Service spent \$11,837,200 to help Jewish refugees in the U. S. This included retraining many so that they could take places in war industries and the armed forces. The NRS also is providing for the supplementary needs of the 982 refugees at the Emergency Refugee Shelter at Oswego.

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New York Post

SEP 7 - 1944

Notables Head Night of Stars

Mayor LaGuardia, Nathan Straus, Grover A. Whalen and Dr. Stephen S. Wise today were named honorary chairmen of the committee sponsoring the "Night of Stars" to be staged Nov. 14 in Madison Square Garden by the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine.

The annual program will feature the nation's most talented artists in the entertainment field, said Sylvan Goshal, chairman, and also will be "an inspiring demonstration of sympathy for the victims of war and oppression."

Others heading committees for the event include Rudolf G. Sonnenborn, Abraham F. Wechsler, G. H. Lowenstein, Abraham Liebovitz, Leonard Ginsberg, Samuel Bliet, Mrs. Leo Spitz, Mrs. Louis Grossman, Robert M. Weitman, Ed Sullivan and Louis K. Sidney.

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**\$82,000,000 DONATED
IN U. S. TO AID JEWS**

During the five-year war period Jews in 4,200 communities throughout the nation have contributed \$82,000,000 to the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine to save Jews in Europe, it was announced yesterday.

Rabbi James G. Heller, William Rosenwald and Rabbi Jonah E. Wise are national chairmen of the organization, which is the fundraising instrument for three agencies.

They reported that in the five years the Joint Distribution Committee appropriated \$47,530,000 for a world-wide rescue and relief program and helped 70,000 Jewish men, women and children to escape from Europe to the Western Hemisphere and Palestine. The committee was said to be "laying the groundwork for the restoration of Jews in liberated territories such as North Africa, Italy and France."

Palestine, the report said, had absorbed 55,000 Jews with the aid of the United Palestine Appeal. The National Refugee Service, the report added, spent \$11,837,200 in the five years for adjustment and integration for "large numbers of the 215,000 Jewish refugees who have found a haven in the United States since the beginning of the Nazi regime."

**Jewish Agencies Spent
\$107,000,000 in 5 Years**

**Three Organizations Announce
Total Since War Began**

The United Jewish Appeal, the fund-raising agency for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, and the National Refugee Service, announced yesterday that a total of more than \$107,000,000 had been spent by those three organizations since the war began five years ago.

The Joint Distribution Committee has spent \$47,530,900 in a rescue and relief program for European Jews, while \$48,102,000 has been spent in Palestine by agencies receiving support from the United Palestine Appeal and \$11,837,200 has been spent by the National Refugee Service in aiding Jews who sought refuge in the United States. A total of \$82,000,000 has been collected by the United Jewish Appeal in the five war years.

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Executive Director, War Refugee Board
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RE: UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

My dear Mr. Pehle:

I hope you will pardon my delay in writing to thank you personally and on behalf of United Jewish Appeal Greater New York City Campaign, of which I have the honor to be Chairman this year, for your great kindness in taking the time and trouble to come to New York and speak at our R-Day Rally on June 5th. Unfortunately, I have been busy with Court engagements and United Jewish Appeal assignments daily and nightly since you were here, and that accounts for my seeming neglect.

Please be assured that your co-operation was most deeply appreciated by those of us who have assumed the leadership of the Campaign in New York this year. Not only was your subject most effective in inspiring our workers to renewed and increased activity, but the material has been most helpful here. It has been paraphrased and used with good judgment and discretion in meetings which have been held since June 5th.

With kindest, personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Alvin Goldwater

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June 10, 1944

Dear Mr. Trammell:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the complete script of the "On Freedom's Threshold" program which was broadcast by NBC on May 14.

I was very glad to participate in that program, and I appreciate the contribution which the National Broadcasting Company and the United Jewish Appeal made toward wider public understanding of the work of the War Refugee Board.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pahle

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NILES TRAMMELL
PRESIDENT

June 7 1944

Mr John W Pehle
Executive President
President's War Refugee Board
8804 Garfield
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My dear Mr Pehle:

In reviewing our recent activities I note that you participated in the "On-Freedom's Threshold" program which was broadcast on May 14th from coast to coast over many NBC stations including our key outlet, WEF, in New York.

It was a pleasure for us to be able to cooperate with the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs & Palestine at that time and I sincerely appreciate the contribution you made toward making the program a success. In order that you may have a record of the occasion I am enclosing a copy of the complete script.

With all good wishes

Cordially

Niles Trammell

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Enclosure

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"ON FREEDOM'S THRESHOLD"

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL BROADCAST

12:00 - 12:30 P.M.

MAY 14, 1944

SUNDAY

(OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT:

"ON FREEDOM'S THRESHOLD." (MUSIC) The National Broadcasting Company and its affiliated independent stations have made the next half hour available as a public service to present a special program under the auspices of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs, and Palestine. The United Jewish Appeal is the largest combined rescue effort ever undertaken by the Jews of the United States in behalf of the victims of Hitlerism. It is the channel through which the resources are being made available for the relief and reconstruction efforts of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, and the National Refugee Service. During this broadcast you will hear an interview from Washington with John W. Pehle, Executive Director of the President's War Refugee Board, two selections by the world renowned violinist Yehudi Menuhin, and a brief message from Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. The NBC orchestra under the direction of Henri Nosco opens our program with _____ Hebrew Melody by Josef Achron.

(MUSICAL NUMBER BY ORCHESTRA)

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WASHINGTON
ANNOUNCER:

Sitting in the studio of the National Broadcasting Company in Washington is John W. Pehle, executive director of the War Refugee Board. Opposite him is Baukhage well known Network commentator, who is going to interview Mr. Pehle on the part the government is playing in helping the persecuted minorities of Europe. We take you now to Washington.

(INTERVIEW WITH MR. PEHLE FROM WASHINGTON)

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WAR REFUGEE BOARD

Executive Office of the President
Washington

RELEASE NO. 11

(The following radio broadcast by Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director of the War Refugee Board, and Baukhage, Blue Network guest commentator, on the program of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine is scheduled for presentation from Washington by the National Broadcasting Company between 12 noon and 12:30 P.M. Eastern War Time, Sunday, May 14, and is for release at that time.

BAUKHAGE:

Baukhage talking: from Washington where on January 22 of this year by executive order the President set up the War Refugee Board consisting of the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of War, quote "to take action for the immediate rescue from the Nazis of as many as possible of the persecuted minorities of Europe -- racial, religious and political -- all civilian victims of enemy savagery," end quote. These were the words of the official statement.

A full-time executive director of that Board was appointed. He is John Pehle, assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury, and on leave as director of Foreign Funds Control. Mr. Pehle is sitting right here with me now.

The driving force in every successful effort is a personality -- a human being -- I want to bring that personality before you. Mr Pehle, I want you to tell me in your own words something about the motives behind the formation of the War Refugee Board.

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PEHLE:

Well, in the first place, Mr. Baukhage, let me say that there is more than a personality behind this effort. A nation is behind it and I think that the effort is typically American. The fact that in the midst of a great war the President saw fit to assign to his three top cabinet officers the task of rescuing the refugees from the clutches of the enemy is significant. It brings home with great force the urgency of the problem.

BAUKHAGE:

Yes, I can understand that urgency. We know that thousands of persons are being rounded up every day and shipped to execution centers like those in Poland. We hear about these things but they seem rather vague.

PEHLE:

Let me tell you, Mr. Baukhage, one typical story -- a story that began in Poland but, thank heavens, didn't end there. There is nothing vague about David, a little boy, a Polish Jew, 8 years old when he saw his parents killed in Warsaw by a Nazi firing squad. He ran away to the woods. For weeks he wandered alone until a kindly Christian farmer and his wife hid him in their home. Later the underground helped him across the border to Roumania. There he was caught in the general roundup of foreign Jews and sent to exile in Transnistria which, you know, was German-occupied Russia.

BAUKHAGE:

It was in that particular exile, wasn't it, that over half of 200,000 refugees died of mistreatment and starvation.

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PEHLE:

That's right. Several months ago -- along with 40,000 fellow exiles -- David was brought back to Bucharest, Roumania, when pressure was put on the Roumanians to save the surviving refugees from annihilation by the retreating German army.

A few weeks ago David was a passenger on a ship chartered by the Jewish Agency of Palestine. That ship sailed from Constanza across the Black Sea to Istanbul. The Joint Distribution Committee provided funds for the voyage. David had no documents -- none of the exit and entrance permits required of travelers. But thanks to the efforts of Ambassador Steinhardt and the War Refugee Board representative in Turkey he got through Turkey and on to Palestine. David has been through fire. But now he's safe. He faces life instead of death.

BAUKHAGE:

That brings it home. But just how, Mr. Peñle, does your Board function at this end? Where does Washington come in?

PEHLE:

Much of the work is done through diplomatic channels, with the assistance of the State Department and its foreign representatives. Today the United States is such a recognized leader among nations -- that we are in a position to bring home to other countries -- allies, neutrals, and Axis satellites alike -- what the American people want done about refugees. After all, the job of the War Refugee Board is to carry out the desires of the American people on this subject.

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BAUKHAGE: What about diplomatic pressure on the satellite countries, Mr. Pehle? Can that actually be used to save lives?

PEHLE: It certainly can.

BAUKHAGE: How?

PEHLE: The satellites no longer have any illusions about the outcome of the war.

BAUKHAGE: They certainly shouldn't have.

PEHLE: They know that Germany will be defeated. We can bring about a more liberal attitude toward the refugees by making it crystal-clear to these countries that the United States and the United Nations will bear in mind their treatment of minorities when the time for final settlement comes.

BAUKHAGE: Let's see, it was only a few weeks ago, wasn't it, that the President warned Germany and the satellites of the consequences of further persecution of the Jews.

PEHLE: That's right. And he called upon all the free peoples of Europe and Asia "to open their frontiers to all victims of oppression."

BAUKHAGE: Have you any way of knowing that such warnings have had any effect.?

PEHLE: We are sure that they do, although it is obviously difficult to measure their effectiveness exactly. The fact that Roumania permitted the refugees to return from Transistria to Roumania proper may well be an example of the success of this technique. (MORE)

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PEHLE:
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We have evidence that these warnings have injected new life and hope into thousands of downtrodden, tormented people -- have been "booster shots" to sinking hearts.

BAUKHAGE:

Is the work which the War Refugee Board is doing in any way duplicating the activities of private agencies such as those which are represented in the United Jewish Appeal?

PEHLE:

Definitely not, Mr. Baukhage. Private agencies and the Board work as a team. Through the Board things are done that only Government can do. Private agencies meet the principal costs and assist in functional ways. We need them and they need us.

BAUKHAGE:

Well, Mr. Pehle, can you tell us a little more concretely how this works out?

PEHLE:

Let me tell you about Leon and Ruth, a Jewish couple whose martyrdom began when the Germans took France. For a time they hid in the outskirts of Paris and then in the surrounding country. Last winter they made their way across the Pyrenees to Spain -- on foot, over icy mountains. They evaded the German guard and slipped through a 20-mile forbidden zone. Their only possessions were the clothes on their backs. After making this treacherous journey they were held in custody until provision could be made for them. The Joint Distribution Committee -- one of the agencies in the United Jewish Appeal -- secured their freedom by guaranteeing their maintenance. Leon and Ruth are in Barcelona now. (MORE)

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PEHLE:
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They are candidates for evacuation to a camp the United Nations have set up near Casablanca in North Africa. The War Refugee Board is going to see that they get there -- soon.

BAUKHAGE:

That's fine!

PEHLE:

You see, Mr. Baukhage, the agencies in the United Jewish Appeal -- the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, and the National Refugee Service -- have a very distinguished record of achievement. We want to supplement and reinforce their activities. We want to cooperate with them wherever it is appropriate.

We hope that those who wish to further the program of the War Refugee Board will do it by responding generously to the campaigns of effective private agencies such as those in the United Jewish Appeal. As President Roosevelt said, through them "the American people can make their contributions to the fight for decency, human dignity, and freedom for all to live in peace."

BAUKHAGE:

Now there's one more question I want to ask you, Mr. Pehle. How is the present military situation -- the approaching climax we're all waiting for -- affecting your work?

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PEHLE:
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But let me assure you that we are determined to save as many lives as we can, as fast as we can. We are prepared to use this Nation's growing power and our coming victory for the humane purposes for which we fight.

BAUKHAGE:

Thank you very much, Mr. Pehle, for giving us this clear picture of the part the War Refugee Board is playing in helping the refugees.

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ANNOUNCER:

We are happy to present at this time the world renowned violinist, Yehudi Menuhin, who will play the Hungarian Dance in G Minor by Brahms arranged by Joachim, and Zapateado by Sarasate. His accompanist will be Mr Karl Furstner. San Francisco we hear Mr. Menuhin.

(SELECTIONS BY MR. MENUHIN FROM SAN FRANCISCO)

S.F. ANNCR:

You have just heard Yehudi Menuhin accompanied by Carl Früstner. "On Freedom's Threshold" the United Jewish Appeal program continues from New York.

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ANNOUNCER:

Through the agencies in the United Jewish Appeal, a farflung humanitarian program is now being conducted in behalf of the victims of war and oppression in many parts of the world. At this time, we introduce Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, National Chairman, who will give us a brief outline of the broad rescue programs supported through the United Jewish Appeal.

Rabbi Wise.

(MESSAGE BY RABBI WISE)

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REVISED TEXT OF TALK
BY RABBI JONAH E. WISE
NATIONAL CHAIRMAN, UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY
SUNDAY, MAY 14, NOON TO 12:30 P.M.

The establishment of the War Refugee Board by President Roosevelt has revised the hopes of the homeless and oppressed throughout the world. Under the efficient direction of Mr. Pehle, the Board has already accomplished a great deal in behalf of refugees.

In the case of many hundreds of thousands, it is a matter of who will reach them first, the representatives of the rescue agencies of the United Jewish Appeal, or the Gestapo squads rounding up men, women, and children to be deported to the execution centers of Poland. It is for this reason that the needs are so great this year. The fate and the future of these people lie in our hands.

Let me cite briefly how the three great rescue agencies of the United Jewish Appeal are saving human life in the midst of worldwide destruction and death.

The Joint Distribution Committee is at the present time helping sustain the lives of many thousands of refugees in almost every corner of the globe. It is providing relief and rehabilitation assistance in Switzerland, Spain, Portugal, Sweden, Turkey, and Russia. In North Africa and the liberated areas of Italy it is taking measures to restore to normal life those who have been freed from Axis oppression. The J.D.C. is also carrying on a program of integration for the 125,000 who have come to Latin America during the past decade. As Mr. Pehle has pointed out, this agency of the United Jewish Appeal has been making possible the emigration of refugees to Palestine and the Western Hemisphere by providing them with transportation. Its experience and accomplishments have prepared the J.D.C. to meet the greater tasks of the future.

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Palestine has been a major haven for the homeless and oppressed throughout the past decade. Since 1933 it has given a permanent home to more than 300,000 refugees from Nazi-dominated Europe. Many of these reached the Holy Land only after years of wandering. With the help of the United Palestine Appeal, they were placed in agricultural settlements and were given every opportunity for a life of happiness and freedom. In recent months many children and adults have been brought to Palestine. Through the United Palestine Appeal the Jews of Palestine have also been helped to give valuable war support to the United Nations in the Middle East. Today large numbers of the oppressed in Europe look to the Holy Land as the land which can give them new life.

The 280,000 newcomers who have found a haven in the United States are being helped to adjust themselves to the American way of life. With the aid of the National Refugee Service they are making their full contribution to the winning of the war. Thousands are engaged in war production, while many of their sons are fighting the forces of oppression as members of the United States Army. And these new Americans are giving a good account of themselves. The adjustment program carried on by the National Refugee Service in behalf of the newcomers in this country has made them a distinct asset to our democracy.

In this hour as the oppressed peoples stand on the threshold of freedom, the agencies of the United Jewish Appeal are confronted with a double responsibility. They must provide relief and rescue for those who are still in the grip of oppression. They must also provide rehabilitation on an ever increasing measure to those liberated by the Allied armies. Its humanitarian service places the United Jewish Appeal in the category of a cause closely linked with the ideals which will be the foundation of a new world of liberty and justice for all.

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ANNCR:

You have heard Rabbi Jonah B. Wise outline the rescue program supported by the United Jewish Appeal. The NBC Orchestra plays as the concluding number in the program A Hebrew Chant.

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(CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENT)

You have just heard a special program entitled, "ON FREEDOM'S THRESHOLD", which was presented under the auspices of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine, by the National Broadcasting Company and its affiliated independent stations as a public service. Heard during this broadcast were John W. Pehle, executive director of the President's War Refugee Board, who was interviewed by Buckhage, well known Washington Network commentator, Yehudi Menuhin, the distinguished violinist, and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

For copies of the talks presented during this program, please write to the United Jewish Appeal at 342 Madison Avenue, in New York City.

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Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director
War Refugee Board
Room 288 $\frac{1}{2}$, Main Treasury Building
15th & F Streets
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

I have been in the Southwest on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and have not had an opportunity earlier to send you a deeply felt word of acknowledgment of the further service you have rendered to the United Jewish Appeal in connection with your broadcast on May 14th.

Reports we have received from all parts of the country indicate that the broadcast was well received and that you made a maximum contribution to a better understanding of the tasks of relief and rescue that must be undertaken and that can be performed, particularly with the magnificent help that you are making available.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
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RABBI JONAH B WISE NATIONAL CHAIRMAN UNITED JEWISH APPEAL.

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Mr. John W. Pehle, Director War Refugee Board Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

I have just learned through Mr. Moses A. Leavitt, secretary of the Joint Distribution Committee, that you have consented to be a guest speaker at our Rededication Day Rally, Monday, June 5th at 8:30 P. M., at the Hotel Astor. I am sure I need not tell you how much the campaign officers of the United Jewish Appeal appreciate your generous help.

Invitations have already been sent to the officers and workers of the 1944 War Emergency Campaign in this area, and I am confident that when we announce your name the response will exceed even our fondest expectations.

In the meantime, we are preparing to publicize this event in a manner worthy of its importance. As yours will be the address the press will be most interested in, I would be grateful for a copy of your remarks at your earliest convenience.

You will be interested to know that Mr. Eddie Cantor, who is celebrating his 35th anniversary in show business, will also take part in the rally, the theme of which is Rededication for Rescue, Relief and Rehabilitation.

With many thanks for all you are doing in our behalf, I am

Sincerely yours,

Monroe Goldwater

Monroe Goldwater

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MEMORANDUM

May 5, 1944

To : Mrs. Klots

From: Mr. Abrahamson

The heart of Mr. Weisgal's argument, it seems to me, is contained in the following sentences:

"The United Jewish Appeal, as such, does not hold any national conferences. The only events under its auspices are fund-raising affairs and as you yourself indicated to me, the Secretary cannot participate in any fund-raising events."

There is no point in indulging in any complicated arguments as to the differences between direct fund-raising and annual conferences designed for educational purposes.

I believe that the argument may be met by citing the fact that Mr. Pehle, for example, is currently obligated to make two UJA appearances which do not involve direct fund-raising. One, he is participating on May 14 in a national radio program for UJA. Two, he is appearing at a UJA meeting in New York in June at the Hotel Astor. There will be 2,000 workers in the campaign present. No funds will be raised at that meeting.

It is also true that I have been at UJA meetings in various parts of the country where funds were not raised and where the causes of all three UJA agencies were presented both by speakers for each of the agencies and by outsiders who spoke for all of them.

Finally, there is good reason why UJA does not have annual conferences, whereas UPA does have such meetings. The UJA agreement is a one-year affair, renewed every fall. UPA, on the other hand, is a more permanent organization.

If you have followed me thus far, you will gather that I still feel that the Secretary is correct in declining this invitation and that he should sympathetically consider any forthcoming UJA invitations.

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APR 28 1944

Dear Mr. Spiegler:

Thank you for your letter of April 21, 1944,
informing me of the pledge of \$110,500 made on the
occasion of the initial meeting of the Special Gifts
Committee.

I enjoyed being present at the meeting, and I
am, of course, greatly pleased to know of this splendid
response to the opening of your campaign.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Executive Director

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April 21, 1944

Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director
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My dear Mr. Pehle:

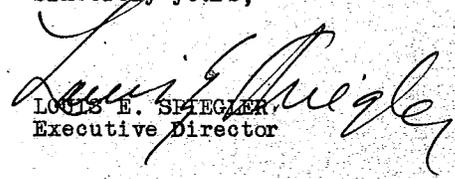
May I in behalf of the officers of the United Jewish Appeal of Washington express to you their appreciation for being our guest on the occasion of the initial meeting of the Special Gifts Committee. I am sure you will be happy to know that the 65 men who heard your talk subscribed \$110,500.

Let me also assure you that the men were deeply moved by the story which you told them concerning the effort of the War Refugee Board which in cooperation with private agencies are evacuating as many people as possible from occupied territory to areas of safety.

Your presence and message stimulated the men to subscribe to maximum gifts. I want to add my own personal appreciation for your courtesy.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,


 LOUIS E. SPIEGLER
 Executive Director

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In reply please
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APR 27 1944

Dear Mr. Montor:

Thank you for your letter of April 21, 1944.

It was a pleasure to be with you and your
people, and I am, of course, glad to learn that the
opening of your campaign met with such gratifying
response.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
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Mr. Henry Montor,
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342 MADISON AVENUE
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Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director
War Refugee Board
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

On behalf of the officers of the United Jewish Appeal, may I express our very deep appreciation of your attendance at and participation in the Big Gifts dinner which opened the Washington campaign of the United Jewish Appeal on April 19th.

From reports which I have received from our friends, your presence was exceedingly stimulating and produced a more generous response than would otherwise have been possible.

Serving as the liaison officer for the national United Jewish Appeal with the Washington community, I am particularly grateful for the great service you have rendered.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director
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15th and F Streets
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

I am asked by the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, Rabbi James G. Heller, Mr. William Rosenwald and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of April 7th, clarifying the position of the War Refugee Board with respect to the utilization of funds to promote its purposes.

It has been gratifying to observe the earnestness with which the War Refugee Board has proceeded to its tasks. We are glad to note that all facilities and resources available to Governmental and inter-Governmental agencies will be utilized to achieve the purposes of the War Refugee Board. As the agencies financed by the United Jewish Appeal have indicated, they want to cooperate with the Board to the limit of their possibilities.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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Rabbi James G. Heller,
Mr. William Rosenwald,
Rabbi Johah B. Wise,
United Jewish Appeal for Refugees,
Overseas Needs and Palestine,
342 Madison Avenue,
New York 17, New York.

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 4, 1944.

The inquiry which you make has also been made by others, and I welcome the opportunity to clarify the position of the War Refugee Board with respect to the utilization of funds to promote its purposes.

The War Refugee Board will continue to do everything within its power to bring speedy rescue and relief to as many victims of enemy persecution as may be possible. To that end, and in carrying out the grave responsibilities which the President has assigned to the Board, it will continue to work closely with every governmental and intergovernmental agency whose facilities and resources are available for its use.

At the same time, the Board will continue to utilize, to the extent practicable, the facilities and resources of private agencies in the furtherance of certain phases of its program. In this connection it is the Board's intention to use its best efforts to expand and accelerate the helpfulness of private agencies, such as yours, which have been engaged over a long period in the task of rescuing and maintaining refugees and which have developed well-tested machinery for relief and rehabilitation. The emergency character of the Board makes this procedure desirable.

The War Refugee Board is working closely and will continue to work closely with the President's War Relief Control Board.

In so far as the War Refugee Board will depend on experienced private agencies to execute its objectives, it will be glad to see a generous response on the part of the American people to the fund-raising

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efforts of such bodies. While authorized to accept contributions, the War Refugee Board has no present intention of embarking upon a campaign for the solicitation of funds from private persons. It hopes rather that the organizations which already enjoy the confidence of the country and which have done extensive work in the field of emergency aid and relief will be the media through which the sympathy of Americans for the purposes of the War Refugee Board will be concretely expressed.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J.W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle,
Executive Director.

cc: Miss Hodel
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Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director
War Refugee Board
Room 288½, Main Treasury Building
15th and F Streets
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pehle:

The creation by the President of the War Refugee Board and your appointment to the post of Executive Director have been cause for great satisfaction among all concerned with the desperate plight of the Jews of Europe. It is our confident hope that the Board will be able to count upon the maximum use of Government funds and resources in order to carry out the high purposes reflected in the President's Executive Order and, following the traditional American policy of aiding the oppressed, to save a maximum number of refugees in the quickest possible time.

The agencies which receive funds from the United Jewish Appeal have been for years carrying on tasks which are closely related to the purposes of the War Refugee Board. It is inevitable, therefore, that the question should arise as to the relationship between the fund-raising program of the United Jewish Appeal and the tasks of the Board. As each of the agencies of the United Jewish Appeal has advised you, they are all concerned to give every possible assistance in the execution of the War Refugee Board program in relation to their financial possibilities.

It would be very helpful if the Board could provide an explanation of policy which would clarify public opinion especially at this time when the Jews of the United States are engaged in an unprecedented effort to raise the largest amount ever sought by the United Jewish Appeal since it was established.

Sincerely yours,

James G. Heller
James G. Heller

William Rosenwald
William Rosenwald

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Registered with the President's War Relief Control Board, No. 566

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Harry:

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Mr. John W. Pehle, Executive Director
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March 31, 1944

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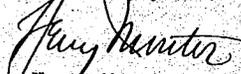
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In accordance with the suggestion made at our meeting on Thursday, I am herewith sending you the draft of a letter that it is proposed by the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal to send to the War Refugee Board for reply.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience what changes, if any, you would like to have made in this draft before it is officially sent to you.

With kindest personal regards and with many, many thanks for your helpfulness, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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Draft of a Statement
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In reply to your inquiry, which we have also received from other sources, we are glad to clarify the nature of the War Refugee Board as it relates to the utilization of funds to promote its purposes.

The War Refugee Board, in accordance with the definition of its functions contained in the President's Executive Order, will do all in its power to assist in the rescue as rapidly as possible of the groups which are the special objects of the Nazi extermination campaign. To that end it will cooperate with all governmental and intergovernmental bodies and will make use of all facilities and resources which may thus become available. (We note your own view that the problem is of such magnitude as to warrant the maximum use of public funds for refugee assistance.)

(At the same time) In certain specific phases of its program, the War Refugee Board plans to utilize the facilities and resources of private agencies, such as yours, which have been engaged over a long period of time in the task of rescuing and maintaining refugees and have accumulated valuable experience which may now be used as a guide. The Board will also use its best efforts to expand and accelerate the helpfulness of the private agencies which have a well established machinery of relief and rehabilitation action. The emergency character of the Board makes desirable this procedure.

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Rabbi James G. Heller, Mr. William Rosenwald, and Rabbi
Jonah B. Wise, National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal
for Refugees' Overseas Needs and Palestine.

The matter referred to in the telegram is receiving
appropriate consideration.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle
Acting Executive Director

The Honorable Henry L. Stimson,
Secretary of War.

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Mr. John Pehle,
Assistant to the Secretary,
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Henry L. Stimson

Secretary of War.

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United Jewish Appeal for Refugees,
Overseas Needs and Palestine,
342 Madison Avenue,
New York City, New York.

Attention: Rabbi James G. Heller, Mr.
William Rosenwald, Rabbi Jonah
B. Wise, National Chairmen.

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your telegram of February 2, 1944, re-
questing an opportunity to meet with the members of the
War Refugee Board in connection with the desire of your
organization to offer its services to the Board.

At the present time the work of the War Refugee
Board is still in the formative stage. It is hoped that
we will soon be enabled to turn to good use the proffered
services of such organizations as yours with their world-
wide interests in the relief of all refugees. In the
meantime, I am pleased to hand your telegram to Mr. John
Fehle, Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury, who is
presently assisting the War Refugee Board as acting direc-
tor. I have asked him to discuss the question of the meet-
ing with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of the
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Sincerely yours,

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Secretary of War.

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THE HONORABLE HENRY L STIMSON

SECY OF WAR

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL FOR REFUGEES OVERSEAS NEEDS, AND PALESTINE

RABBI JAMES G HELLER MR WILLIAM ROSENWALD RABBI JONAH B WISE NATIONAL CHAIRMEN 342 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK CITY.

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The Hon. Cordell Hull,

Secretary of State,

Washington, D.C.

As the three national chairmen of the United Jewish appeal for refugees, overseas needs and Palestine, largest fund raising agency through which American Jews provide for the relief and rehabilitation of refugees in European and other lands, Palestine and other lands, Palestine and the United States, we are most anxious to meet with you and your associate members of the war refugee board in conformity with the board's desire to accept the services of private organizations and agencies. The United Jewish appeal for refugees, overseas needs and Palestine provides funds for the programs of the American Jewish joint distribution committee, the United Palestine appeal, and the national refugee service, which are the major agencies concerned with refugee problems in Europe, Palestine, and the United States, respectively. We would appreciate opportunity of meeting with you or your appointed representatives at your earliest convenience. Identical messages have been sent to the Honorable Cordell Hull and the Honorable Henry L. Stimson respectfully. United Jewish Appeal for Refugees,

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