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## Hearts of Civilised People Out to German Jewry

Messages to "Record" from N.Z.'s Spiritual Leaders

The "Record" is happy to be associated with New Zealand's spiritual leaders, who, on this page today, deplore with all sincerity the tragic persecution of Jews in Nazi Germany. The Jewish community in this country is wholeheartedly thankful to the millions of Gentiles, including thousands of New Zealanders, who have rallied to the aid of their unfortunate fellowmen with all manner of help.

## "We Are Deeply Grateful"

THE Chief Rabbi in New Zealand, the Reverend Solomon Katz: We are overwhelmed and distressed beyond measure by the outrages and barbaric cruelties that were recently perpetrated against our people in Germany.

It is now perfectly obvious that the entire Jewish population in that country is doomed to destruction and utter annihilation unless the world democracies come to the rescue, and find for them an asylum and a haven of refuge where they can be rehabilitated to a life of security and peace.

We are deeply grateful for the manifestations of sympathy with our suffering brethren expressed by so many of the leaders and people in English-speaking countries, both in the British Empire and in America.

The Press raised its voice with noble unanimity in condemnation of these inhuman cruelties.

The people of our own Dominion are manifesting a spirit of deep sympathy for our brethren in their time of distress. We are deeply grateful.

happenings that history can chronicle. There is no excuse for the atrocities and bestial attacks made on helpless minorities in Germany.

## **Presbyterian Sympathy**

THE Very Reverend George Budd, Superintendent of Missions and former Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in New Zealand: The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, in harmony with Christian people throughout the world, sincerely sympathises with the Jewish people who are being subjected to such a severe persecution at the present time.

The history of Jewry is stained with many patches of blood. Through the centuries, trial after trial has fallen on Jewish people in many lands.

It seems incredible that in the twentieth century a civilised nation should allow itself to treat a section of its citizens with barbarity of the type meted out to the Jews in Germany.

That the rash act of a young man driven to desperation should be revenged by the ruthless slaughter of many, the reckless destruction

of property and the tremendous monetary fines imposed, passes belief.

To the oppressed and afflicted Jews the Presbyterian people of New Zealand extend their sincere sympathy and no doubt will share in any practical scheme that will tend to ameliorate the lot of the suffering and distressed Jews in Germany and Central Europe generally, and we assure the members of the Jewish fraternity in New Zealand of our feeling for them.



THE Rev. Percy Paris
(Wellington), President of the Methodist
Church of New Zealand: The members of

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THE Primate of the
Anglican Church
in New Zealand, his
Grace Archbishop
Averill: I am full of
sympathy for the unfortunate Jews who are
suffering at the hands
of the Nazis.

I regard with abhorrence the way the Jews are being treated in Germany and elsewhere. I think that our own and every other country should do something to make provision and room for Jewish refugees. However, I think, too, that they should be carefully selected.

Everyone will agree that the pogrom is one of the most horrible

