

Treatment Of Jews By Nazis Pictured As Beyond Belief

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15—(AP)—President Roosevelt denounced the German dictatorship's treatment of Jews Tuesday as almost beyond belief, and then pictured a vast two-continent defense system in which all the Americas would present a united front against aggression from abroad.

His remarks on the Jews, given out at a press conference, were as follows:

"The news of the past few days from Germany has deeply shocked public opinion in the United States. Such news from any part of the world inevitably produce a similar

END TO RELATIONS ASKED

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 15—(AP)—Severance of diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany because of Nazi anti-Jewish outrages was suggested Tuesday by Senator Henry F. Ashurst (D., Ariz.).

Describing Adolf Hitler, German chancellor, as a "madman," the veteran Arizona senator said "as far as the administration is concerned, it should sever diplomatic relations with Germany."

Ashurst's views, given in an interview, coincided with those advanced in New York by Senator William H. King, of Utah.

profound reaction among American people in every part of the nation.

"I myself could scarcely believe that such things could occur in a twentieth century civilization.

F. D. R. Back Of Summons

"With a view to gaining a first hand picture of the situation in Germany, I asked the secretary of state to order our ambassador in Berlin to return at once for report and consultation."

Thus Mr. Roosevelt disclosed that he himself was back of Monday's order calling Ambassador Hugh R. Wilson home. Mr. Roosevelt said he could not disclose how long the ambassador would stay here. This gave rise to speculation that the envoy might be kept at home indefinitely.

Mr. Roosevelt's words on military defenses were closely linked, in his listeners' minds, to his statement about Germany because of widespread speculation that the totalitarian Reich may seek to extend its influence in Latin America.

Air Force Increase Eyed

Mr. Roosevelt declared that, as one means of insuring protection for the 20 American republics and Canada, he and his aids are discussing an increased air force.

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Giving a possible preview of the United States arguments to be presented at the forthcoming Pan-American conference at Lima, Peru, he said world events of the past few years and the new techniques for waging war have prompted the United States to re-orient itself with regard to North, Central and South America.

At no time since the Latin American countries struggled for their freedom, he said, has the solidarity between all American republics and Canada been stronger. He made it plain that he expected that there would be no defection from this policy.

In commenting on German anti-Semitism, the President adopted the rare procedure of permitting direct quotation of a statement which officials characterized as highly important because a comment from the head of a nation on internal developments in another nation is an extraordinary occurrence.

Ambassador Wilson, Secretary of State Hull said Tuesday, is due to sail from Havre Thursday. He will arrive in New York next Thursday, one day before Hull sails from New York for the conference at Lima. Wilson will therefore have a chance to make his first report to Hull.

President Roosevelt said the instructions to Ambassador Wilson to return were—in technical, diplomatic language—not a recall but a summons.

He said no protest was being made yet to Berlin against the persecution of the Jews. Asked whether his use of the word yet indicated a protest at some future date he said he could not comment further.

At the State Department was said the only protest possibly contemplated at this time would be one based on reported damage to American Jews' property in Germany, on which there are no official accounts as yet. The President said the American embassy in Berlin is checking the reports.