
A German Boycott?

American public opinion is so deeply incensed by Nazi anti-Semitism that most people are disposed to have as little to do with Germany as possible, except insofar as pressure can be brought on that country to end its barbaric cruelties. It is inevitable that boycotts of German goods should be considered, and to a certain extent practiced, both as a means of giving expression to resentment and in the hope that such a program might act as a check on German excesses.

But all steps growing out of resentment, no matter how justified, should be carefully examined. A boycott, particularly unless it is internationally organized, might incite rather than curb German persecution and be quite ineffective.

Never, we repeat, was it more urgent that feeling be guided by wisdom.
