

# BAPTISTS ADD VOICE FOR JEWS

## Resolution Condemning Per- secution Drafted By Mississippians

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JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 15.—Germany's persecution of Jews was condemned today as "unjust, inhuman and un-Christian" in a resolution proposed at the state convention of Baptists.

The statement, addressed to Hans Heinrich Dieckhoff, German ambassador to the United States, was referred to the resolutions committee for approval before the conference voted on it in the name of 250,000 Baptists in Mississippi.

"It is inconceivable to us," said the resolution as drafted by Rev. J. D. Franks of Columbia, "how a great, cultured, historic people such as the German people, could perpetrate, or even tolerate the unjust, inhuman, un-Christian persecution as has recently been reported in the American press, which your government seems to be inflicting upon the Jews of Germany.

"These persecutions have outraged the Christian conscience of the world. Furthermore, we cannot understand how a responsible government could inflict horrible punishment and heavy penalties upon a highly respected race of people living within its own borders in retaliation for a rash act committed by a lone irresponsible overwrought boy of the same race, living in another country. No system of civilized jurisprudence known to us could justify such retaliation.

"We join the Christian world in regretting and deploring the slaying of your esteemed citizen, Ernst Von Rath, German Embassy secretary in Paris, by this misguided youth (Herschel Grynszpan), but we must condemn as unwarranted and unjust the wholesale punishment of Jews in Germany who had no part in instigating or executing this inexcusable crime and therefore wholly innocent of it. . . ."

The resolution requested Dieckhoff to forward the protest to Propaganda Minister Paul Josef Goebbels.