

Demonstration Against the Statute of Limitations

[This is] in regards to the statute of limitations, of the Western German Bundesrepublik, to the effect that criminals, who have not been apprehended over the course of twenty years after committing their crimes, can no longer be made answerable before a court.

The West German holders of power wished to apply this same law to Nazi criminals, who have on their consciences millions of murders, which they committed with the greatest bestiality on defenceless elderly folk, men, women and children, additionally robbing the victims of every possession.

This has elicited a storm of protests and demonstrations across the entire globe.

In Montreal, the [Jewish] Labour Committee, along with the Association of Former Concentration Camp Inmates [Survivors of Nazi Oppression], trade unions, *Landmannschaften* and societies, held a demonstration on 25th February 1965, in front of the building of the West German Consulate - General, to protest against the statute of limitations as regarding Nazi criminals.

A delegation of the demonstrators, comprised of

- lawyer L. Rubinstein, Chairman of the Labour Committee;
- Raphael Ryba, Executive Secretary of the Labour Committee;
- Lou Zablow, President of the Association of Concentration Camp Inmates and
- Paul Goldstein, Director of the Association of Concentration Camp Inmates

presented the West German Consul-General Consul with a memorandum against the statute of limitations as regarding Nazi criminals.

The Czenstochover Landsmanschaft of Montreal took part in this demonstration.