

Dubbo Liberal and Macquarie Advocate, 1 December 1938, p. 6, Cruelty to Jews. Aborigines Protest to German Consul. Dubbo Co-operation

Dubbo branch of the Aborigines Progressive Association sent a telegram to the Australian Aborigines' League supporting its action in approaching the Consul for Germany at Melbourne protesting against the treatment of the Jews by the Nazi Government.

The deputation to the Consul presented a petition protesting against the persecution of the Jews and asked him to convey to his Government a request that it be ended.

'Like the Jews, our people have suffered much cruelty, exploitation and misunderstanding as a minority at the hands of another race', it read, 'but we are glad to say that in most parts of Australia we have experienced much kindness and co-operation from the white population, particularly the missionaries of all branches of the Christian Church.

We are also glad to say that we are experiencing a great desire on the part of some governments, particularly the Federal Government, to make amends for the past and to help our people to take their places as equal citizens in the life of Australia.

We are a very small minority, and we are a poor people, but in extending sympathy to the Jewish people we assure them of our support in every way.'

The telegram from Dubbo, supporting the petition, was sent by Mr Ferguson, president of the Progressive Association.