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Central Conference of American Rabbis, conscientious objectors, 1945-1946.

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT MR. FRANK WELL'S OFFICE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15TH, 1946

RE: JEWISH CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS

PRESENT: Mr. Frank L. Weil
(Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld - Representing CCAR
(Rabbi Isidore Hoffman
Mr. Milton Weil - Representing Civic Defense Groups
Rabbi Aryeh Lev Representing CANRA

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The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the question of raising the \$20,000 debt of the American Friends Service Committee who had been taking care of the Jewish Conscientious Objectors.

Mr. Frank Weil stated that the Jewish Welfare Board could not underwrite this obligation for the following reasons:

- 1) The funds received from the American Jewish community and approved by the National Finance Committee was for the purpose of serving uniformed personnel in the armed forces only.
- 2) In the last two years the Jewish Welfare Board has been in the "red" and does not have any surplus funds from which an additional allowance can be made. Nevertheless, Mr. Weil offered to underwrite the \$5000 and asked that the various civic protective agencies underwrite their share.

Rabbi Lelyveld and Rabbi Hoffman were very pleased with this offer.