

A Five-Year Term Is Given Associate Of Adolf Eichmann

BAMBERG, West Germany, May 2 (AP) — Franz Rademacher, a former associate of Adolf Eichmann, was sentenced today to five years imprisonment for aiding the murder of thousands of Jews during World War II.

The court, however, credited the 62-year-old Rademacher with about four years he already had spent in pre-trial custody and in postwar interment by the Americans. The remaining 10 months of the sentence were suspended and Rademacher was freed after being placed on probation for four years.

The prosecution had demanded a 15-year prison term for Rademacher, accusing him of aiding the murder of at least 1300 Serbian Jews and the deportation of nearly 100,000 Jews from Nazi-occupied France, Belgium and the Netherlands.

Rademacher, former head of the third Reich's Jewish Section, was author of the early Nazi plan to deport all European Jews to Madagascar. He went on trial Feb. 19 charged with murder and with abetting deportations and manslaughter.

The trial was Rademacher's second. The retrial was delayed 15 years by his flight to Syria.

Testimony at the trial had brought out that Rademacher had actively corresponded with Eichmann, who had supervised the extermination program chosen by Hitler over the Madagascar plan. Eichmann was hanged in Israel in 1962.

Rademacher's attorney had pleaded for his client's acquittal. He said Rademacher would have been powerless to stop the deportations and murders of Jews under the Nazis.

In his first trial at Nuernberg in March 1952, a German court sentenced Rademacher



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to three years and five months' imprisonment for aiding manslaughter and deportations. The verdict was overturned by the West German supreme court and a new trial was ordered. But Rademacher fled to Syria before it could begin.

He returned to Germany in September, 1966, in failing health and was arrested.

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