

## Endre, Laszlo

(1895--1946), Hungarian politician who helped plan and implement the annihilation of Hungarian Jewry in 1944. Endre was an activist in many extreme right-wing organizations, and was the founder of the "Race-protecting Socialist Party" (*A Fajvedo Szocialista*). A career policeman, he was appointed deputy chief of police for all of Pest County in 1937.

Endre was in close contact with the German Nazis, and after Germany occupied Hungary on March 19, 1944, he developed a strong, personal relationship with Adolf Eichmann. On April 9 of that year Endre became undersecretary of state in the Hungarian government led by Dome Sztojaj. He held the position until September 5, 1944. During his five months in the government, Endre played a major role in the extermination of his country's Jews.

At the end of the war Endre fled Hungary with the withdrawing German troops. He was captured by American soldiers and sent back to Hungary in October 1945. He was tried, convicted, and sentenced to death as a war criminal, and was hanged on March 29, 1946.