

CITIZENS ENLISTED IN RELIEF OF JEWS

Rabbi Wise Tells of Millions Whom War Has Made Destitute and Helpless.

ORGANIZATION IS EFFECTED

Governor to Issue Proclamation Similar to That of President's Setting Aside January 27 as Day for Contributions.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S PROCLAMATION.

"Whereas, I have received from the Senate of the United States a resolution, passed January 6, 1916, that the President of the United States be, respectfully asked to designate a day on which the citizens of the country may give expression to their sympathy for contributions to the funds now being raised for the relief of the Jews in the war zone; and, whereas, I feel confident that the people of the United States will be moved to aid the war-stricken people of a race which has given to the United States so many worthy citizens; Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, in compliance with a suggestion of the Senate thereof, do appoint and proclaim January 27, 1916, as a day upon which the people of the United States may make such contributions as they feel disposed for the aid of the stricken Jewish people."

Pursuant to the proclamation issued by President Wilson, setting a definite date for the contribution by people of the United States to the relief of the war-stricken Jews in Russia, Galicia and Poland, representative business and professional men of Portland yesterday met at the Chamber of Commerce to take a clear statement of the conditions of the Jews in the war zone and an appeal for their immediate and generous aid given by Rabbi Jonah R. Wise, and effected a definite organization to handle local contributions.

The committee named by the chairman of yesterday's meeting, A. L. Mills, to take the matter of local contributions in charge, will be headed by Mayor Albee. The other members of the committee are W. D. Wheelwright, W. B. Ayer, Henry Corbett, Emory Olinstead, C. C. Colt, W. P. Olds, A. A. Lewis, J. C. Alnsworth, P. W. Leadbetter, T. B. Wilcox and Fisher O'Hara. A meeting of the committee will be held today, when a definite date will be taken for raising the Portland fund.

Governor Promises Proclamation. Governor Withycombe was present, and on the conclusion of the meeting signified his intention of issuing a proclamation similar to that of the President.

After outlining the purpose of yesterday's meeting, called by a committee of prominent citizens headed by Ben Selling, Mr. Mills read a copy of the proclamation of President Wilson, and then declared that "it is a pleasure for me as chairman of a meeting of Portland business men called to consider the President's proclamation."

"In my business experience in Portland our Jewish citizens have never asked the public for aid in caring for the sick and destitute. On the other hand, they are always ready to do their part in caring for the sick and afflicted of the city."

15,000,000 Are Destitute. "The situation that presents itself today is far more terrible than ever before in the history of those now living. In Poland alone there are some millions of sick, destitute and afflicted Jews, most of them being old men, women and children. The young, strong breadwinners of the families have been drafted into the armies of different powers, to there to serve as sacrifices to a war in which they themselves have no voice."

"First the Russians swept across the country, then the Germans, and these miserably destitute people have been swept back and forth across the land before the great armies like chaff before a gale. "Unless the generously inclined people of the world come to their assistance with liberality, thousands, even millions, will perish."

People Are Now Outcasts. "I hope that the people of Portland, in such a degree as each individual can afford, will do their part in the support of a movement against the January 27, the date set by President Wilson, Portland will again show the world, as it did at the time of the San Francisco fire, that it is ready to come to the aid of those who are sick and destitute."

Rabbi Wise, following Mr. Mills, declared that the position of the Russian Jew, including the Jew of Poland and Galicia, was a peculiar one, making him absolutely an outcast. The fact that the Russian Jew speaks a Germanic language causes him to be feared by Russians, making it impossible for him to ally himself with the problems of Russia, thereby insuring a certain degree of protection.

Burdens Expected With Benefits. Emphasis on three points, that the Jews have no special problem in the United States; that aid from non-sectarian contributors was asked after long hesitation, and that the Jews of Russia have to face a situation which entitles them to the sympathy of the world, was given by Rabbi Wise.

"The Jews of France, Germany, England and America, and all enlightened countries desire no separation from their fellow citizens of various other faiths in the matters of common welfare and responsibility to the state," said Dr. Wise. "In peace they hope to share its benefits and in war they desire to bear its burdens. The proclamation of our honored President, intended to meet a hideous anachronism, the suffering of a great group of men and women who are aliens and outcasts in the land of their fathers' nationality, the Russian Jew."

"Only once before have the Jews asked aid of the general public. That occasion bespeaks the present need. It was for Kishineff. We ask with your kindness and generosity. We had rather not call upon it, but desire primarily that each Jew should share his load with our distressed co-religionists."

Remnants Cares for Bulk. "The burden is becoming too heavy for us. Of all the Jews in the world four-fifths are in the warring armies or staggering out of their paths. A remnant of our faith is asked to aid the bulk. With this in mind we turn to you to lend emphasis, force and ef-

fectiveness to the generous proclamation of our honored President. "I wish to read you a paragraph from the current Outlook. Any paper might contain the same and worse. "Some estimates place the number of Russian refugees at from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000; 10,000,000 is the estimate of the Tass, one of the most influential relief organizations in Russia, named after the second daughter of the Czar, who is his honorary head. "By race, the refugees are principally Poles, Jews, Letts and Lithuanians, but they come from all ranks and stations of life, rich and poor alike, now all poor, thrown from their homes with nothing but the clothes on their bodies by the grim chances of war. "Note these are refugees. In all Belgium there are but 7,000,000 persons. They were not sent away to the Wintny steppes, nor thrice ground under invading armies. Not 7,000,000 men and women bowing to the conqueror, but 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 with no place to lay their heads.

Strange Lands Are Refuge.

"I need not dwell on the sufferings of these wretched outcasts. The tender women and children, the tottering old men and women, the sick, the idiotic, the crippled, all hurrying toward death the knout to strange and unknown places or to the wayside shallow grave. "I refer you once more to the Outlook, pro-ally, even pro-Russian: "The theory was that to leave large masses of civilian behind the forward-pushing German lines would provide Germany with a large number of spies as well as with assistance for its armies. "To some extent, too, it was believed that the stragglers in the Russian retreat might serve as protection and cover for German artillery. So everything was done to prevent the forward-pushing German lines from leaving behind a large number of spies as well as with assistance for its armies. "To some extent, too, it was believed that the stragglers in the Russian retreat might serve as protection and cover for German artillery. So everything was done to prevent the forward-pushing German lines from leaving behind a large number of spies as well as with assistance for its armies."

People Hated in Russia. "Among the sufferers the Jews' fate stands out. You ask 'Can one stand out more hideous in such a tale of horrors?' I answer, 'yes.' Russia hates the Jew. He speaks a Germanic tongue, hence he is hated as a possible spy. He has borne contempt and blows but has defied his persecutors. In the country just described there live 6,000,000 Jews. They are poor at best; they are persecuted in peace; they are harassed at all times. What must be their fate in war?"

"No man can tell, but all can feel what the burden is I have so inadequately suggested to your mind. This, then, is partly why we ask you, your colleagues to give emphasis, force and effectiveness to the proclamation of the President of our beloved country."

Situation is Reviewed. The resolution by the Senate says: "Whereas, in the countries now engaged in the war there are 2,000,000 Jews, the great majority of whom are destitute of food, shelter and clothing; and, whereas, millions of them have been driven from their homes without warning, deprived of an opportunity to take their property with them, and are now engaged in the war zone, causing starvation, disease and untold suffering; and, whereas, the people of the United States have learned with sorrow of this terrible plight of millions of human beings and have most generously responded to the cry for help; therefore, it is the duty of the President of the United States to designate a day on which the citizens of the country may give expression to their sympathy for contributions to the funds now being raised for the relief of the Jews in the war zone."

Short Notice is Given. The condition of the Russian Jews was emphasized by Ben Selling, chairman of the committee that called the meeting.

"There are in the Russian army between 400,000 and 500,000 Jews," said Mr. Selling, "most of the sufferers from the ravages of the war being old men and women. The Jews lose their residence when once they leave a town in which they have lived. When they are forced by invading armies to leave their homes that they have maintained for so long they have no place to go. Millions have been compelled to leave their homes on 24 hours' notice, and since their neighbors know that they are not allowed to take any of their property with them, they are unable to sell that property, thus escaping with only what they wear on their backs."

Food and Water Are Denied. "They are absolutely at the mercy of the Russian officers and the few sympathizers they have are not permitted to give them either food or water. "Although the Jews all over the United States have contributed to the Red Cross fund, the Russian Government has not allowed one cent of the money to be used for the relief of the Russian Jews. Their condition cannot be realized."

"It is because of the intensity of the suffering being undergone by Jews that we invite participation in the contribution to their relief." Reside Mr. Selling, those comprising the committee calling yesterday's meeting were Joseph Simon, Sigmund Sichel, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Dr. N. Mosesohn, I. Lang, Isaac Sweet and David N. Mosesohn.

Attending yesterday's meeting were: Governor Withycombe, I. Lang, A. L. Mills, C. J. Adams, R. G. Eisele, W. W. Mulkey, Edward Cookingham, Franklin T. Gritts, E. B. Piper, J. E. Jackson, John P. Carroll, Ben Selling, Joseph Simon, I. Allen Lewis, Dr. Andrew Smith, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Dr. N. Mosesohn, Judge W. N. Gibbons, Judge R. G. Morris, Father E. V. O'Hara, Dr. Thomas L. Elliot, Henry E. Reid, George L. Blakely, F. Lowengart, Dr. Jacob Hoch, R. D. Whitcomb, Rev. R. Abrahamson, M. Levine, M. Shank, M. Mosesohn, N. Abraham, F. Lowengart.



Above—Rehearsing Under Direction of Marie Dressler; Mrs. Belmont Seen at Left With Rolled Manuscript in Hand. Below—Left to Right (Women), Misses Adelaide E. Sedgwick, Gwendolyn King and Alleen B. Sedgwick; (Gentlemen), E. De Weerth.

BELMONT PLAY DUE

Suffragist Author - Dramatist Gets Society Aides.

DEBUTANTES TAKE ROLES

Suffrage Production in New York to Be Acted for Benefit of Movement in Financial as Well as Spiritual Sense.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—(Special)—Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont has written a play.

POLITICAL GOSSIP

Representative McArthur Telegraphs Message to Republicans—Emerinus Versteeg to Run for Delegate to Democratic Convention.

C. N. McARTHUR, Representative in Congress from the Third Oregon County, telegraphed the following message which was read at the opening meeting of the new Oregon Republican Club at the Central Library Thursday night:

"The critical position in which the United States now stands among the nations of the earth is due to the vacillating and cowardly policy of the Democratic Administration. The country's salvation lies in the return of the Republican party to power. We must forget factional differences and work for party success. The club you are organizing will prove a big factor. Please enroll me as a charter member."

Emerinus Versteeg is going to run for delegate to the Democratic National Convention. What is more to the point, he will run as a Bryan delegate.

"I have been a staunch supporter of Mr. Bryan for many years," said Mr. Versteeg, "and I am not going to desert him now, simply because some of our Federal office-holders want to discredit him for political reasons. I believe in Mr. Bryan, and I thoroughly favor his universal peace policy and the one-term plank in the Democratic platform. If it was not to be followed by Mr. Bryan, I shall run as a Bryan delegate."

Reside Mr. Versteeg is an old-time and respected resident of Portland. He is 51 years old, and a retired brick manufacturer.

W. H. Cannon, of Medford, candidate two years ago for Democratic National Committee, and one of the best-known Democrats in Oregon, is not a candidate for delegate to the National Convention at St. Louis. He makes his position clear in the following letter to the Oregonian:

"My attention has been called to an article which appeared in your columns on January 17, wherein it is stated that I am prominent among those who are on the eve of launching into the contest for delegate-at-large to the Democratic National convention. Permit me to say that The Oregonian

movement in a financial as well as a spiritual sense. "Only a few professionals will appear in the cast. The others will be society amateurs and most of the debutantes of this season are volunteering to appear. In this picture, Marie Dressler is seen instructing a group of society amateurs in a dance movement, while Mrs. Belmont stands at the left holding the book of the play. "Another picture shows a group of the society amateurs at a rehearsal. They are (left to right) Adelaide Sedgwick, Ernest De Weerth and Alleen Sedgwick, while seated is Gwendolyn King. "The young men and women are taking an unusual interest in the rehearsals, which almost always means success to the undertaking, as New York's "406," now almost "500," already has announced its intention of purchasing all the boxes when the play is put on the boards. "Mrs. Belmont is most sincere in all her undertakings, charitable and otherwise, and her activities in the suffrage ranks are too well known to call for repetition in print here.

Coasting Victim Improves. Gray Smith, the football star of the James John High School of St. Johns, who was injured while coasting, is reported to be improving slowly.

WHITE TEMPLE SOCIAL IS SIMULATED ELLIS ISLAND. Immigrant Costumes and Characters Are Assumed—Young Folks Enjoy Entertainment and Supper.

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STRENGTH IS SAVED

Progressive Republicans Not to Divide on Candidates.

SENATORS IN CONFERENCE

Story Printed in East That Action Was Taken to Exert Pressure on Republican Convention Is Denied by Borah.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 21.—Stories appeared in some Eastern papers today asserting that several Progressive Senators, including Borah, Jones, Poindexter, Cummins and others, had held a conference recently and were perfecting an organization with a view to forcing the Republican convention at Chicago to nominate a Progressive member of the party for President. The intimation was strong that they would insist on Cummins, LaFollette or Roosevelt.

Senator Jones said he had not attended the conference and that he had entered into no such agreement with anyone. The essential thing for Republicans to do, he said, was to get all elements of the party together and present a solid front this year.

Senator Borah said he attended a conference of progressive Republican Senators last Saturday, but that the object was to outline a plan whereby only one progressive Republican candidate will seek endorsement in any one state. In North Dakota, for instance, both Cummins and LaFollette are being pushed for endorsement, and in Nebraska Cummins and Norris are presented. Under agreement reached only one progressive Republican will seek endorsement in any one state, and thus the progressive Republican strength will not be divided.

Senator Borah asserted the conference did not seek to go beyond this, and that no proposal was made to further form a compact such as was indicated in the reports. Senator Poindexter also asserted that the conference did not discuss Presidential candidates. He said it did seek to bring together concerted action among progressive Republicans.

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GILLIES LOSES POINT

INTRODUCTION OF 16 ALLEGED FORGERIES ALLOWED AT TRIAL. Specific Charge Concerns Only One. Governor Lister Probably Will Be Called to Stand Today.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 21.—Judge John R. Mitchell, of the Thurston County Superior Court, before whom John F. Gillies, deposed claim agent for the Industrial Insurance Commission, is being tried on a charge of forgery, today overruled the defense's objection to introduction of evidence tending to establish the fictitious character of the series of 16 accident claims which Gillies, as claim agent, is alleged to have passed as genuine.

Although the specific charge of forgery is founded on the claim of spurious "Carl Jackson," injured in road work in King County, there were 15 other claims involved, which Judge Mitchell ruled could be brought in to show the system by which the fund was looted.

The defense argued that the state would first have to establish conclusively the guilt of the defendant on the Jackson claim, but Judge Mitchell held that sufficient evidence had been introduced by the state to establish at least a partial "guilty knowledge" on Gillies' part, and therefore the batch of other alleged fictitious claims might be introduced.

Witnesses were then called to show that all of the claims were forged. When court adjourned tonight witnesses were being called to show that none of the original papers had been marked, changed or altered by persons who handled them during the investigation of the industrial insurance frauds.

Governor Ernest Lister probably will be put on the stand tomorrow, as he also participated in the investigation of the frauds.

"ALIEN" THROUGH IS GAY

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FIGHT ALARM IS "FIRE"

Marshfield Greeks Row and Warning Is Misunderstood.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special)—Tony Papalouso yelled "fire" instead of "fight" when he ran into the police and fire hall this noon to tell the officers of a near-riot in a Greek coffee-house nearby.

Engineer Gordon Smith misunderstood him and the big fire bell clangs warning the street while a blow and the big combination truck was started away for the imaginary conflagration before the Greek made the engineer understand the affair was a fight.

Pastors to Hear Dr. Brougher. Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, D. D., of Temple Baptist Church, Los Angeles, will address the Portland Baptist ministers' conference at the White Temple, Monday.



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