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## "BREAD FOR THE LIVING SHROUDS FOR THE DEAD"

I want to say a word or two to my fellow-citizens of Aberdeen, in regard to the appeal that is now before us all to send some relief to the destitute Jews in the war zone.

As has been stated already, this is the first time that the Jews come to Christians to ask for bread for the needy in their own ranks. As a people we are not given to begging, and the world knows that. We would rather not make this appeal, but the crush of calamity leaves no other way out. The number of Jews suffering is so great, the Jews alone cannot make adequate provisions. And when I say Jews are suffering, it means not only men and women, but also children and babies, who seem to have been brought into the world to die from hunger and exhaustion, while your and my babies are cuddled and taken care of with the best the world affords. It pierces my heart to think that such innocents should be crying for milk or bread, and no one there able to answer the call. Think of mothers seeing their babies wilt away like a flower, and imagine the untold agony of a mother's heart.

It is true other nationalities also have been made to suffer. But their suffering, sad as it is, has not been aggravated by an unjust discrimination at the hands of their own government, such as has been accorded to the Jews in Russia. It is their own so-called government that has caused their homes to be burned, and ordered them at a moment's notice to become wanderers on the face of the earth, wanderers in an unfriendly country where their best friends seemed to be the grave. As said before, the distress has been aggravated by the fact that the Jew is considered unfit to be a citizen, although he is considered fit to lay down his life on the battlefield for the sake of preserving the very government that treats him and his as aliens, and outcasts, even at the time when 350,000 Jews in the thick of battle, show themselves equal in bravery and patriotic zeal with any one engaged in the terrible slaughter. The cry of distress is so great, that we as Jews, are at our wits' end to know what to do. The number of distressed ones is so great, there is no way of answering it unless our fellow American citizens will come to our assistance.

I therefore, appeal to my fellow-citizens of Aberdeen, to do their share in this matter. We do not wish to speak of the ready response we have given, are giving, and hope to give in the future, as we have in the past, to any appeal of distress. We are proud of what we can do in such matters and now since the tables have been turned, since we are compelled as a race to appeal to you for the Jewish people in the war zone, I am confident that you will open your hearts and give, each one in accordance with his or her ability to give. Large or small, every donation will be appreciated and help to cement that fellow-feeling which is the strength of our beloved country and the rock upon which the United States of America has laid the foundation of the highest attainable civilization, the grandest exemplification of the real meaning of brotherly love.

Sincerely,  
GEORGE J. WOLFF.

## MAY DEBATE ON MERIT OF COMMISSION

Arguments Over City Government to Be Made in Rostrum

### CANDIDATES OUT

Half Dozen May Run Should Commission Form Win Out

A public debate on the merits and demerits of the commission form of government is planned for early in February. This may inject more life into the campaign which, with the special election only one month off, seems apathetic.

Should the commission form of government carry at the election, possible candidates for commissioners are Mayor J. M. Phillips, City Engineer L. D. Kelsey, E. B. Crary, Roy Sargent, L. G. Humbargar, E. G. Hunt and Councilman Warren Egerer. None of these men has indicated desire for the job, but their names are freely mentioned in desultory discussions of the campaign. In event the commission form loses, candidates for mayor may be the incumbent, Sargent and Humbargar, and Eugene France, former mayor, though none of them as advanced his candidacy. In this same event, to, E. B. Crary likely will run against T. H. Hill, incumbent, for the place of city treasurer,

though he has not declared himself as being out for the job, as yet.

The Socialists will center their fight, as in former years, on a struggle for councilmanic places and for the city clerkship. Joe Thomas will make the race against Peter F. Clark, E. E. Wieland and E. A. Milette, councilmen from the second and sixth wards, respectively, will seek re-election. Charles Ivana will run from the first ward; and, should he be elected, that ward, with Pista, would have two socialists in the council.

A week from tomorrow, Saturday, February 5, is the last day upon which filings may be made by candidates. The special election at which will be determined whether the city is to change its government form to commission will be held Monday, February 28. Municipal primaries will be held Tuesday, March 7, and the municipal election Tuesday, April 4.

### IN SUPERIOR COURT

Barney Weldon was sentenced, Monday, to from one to five years in the state penitentiary for participation in a hold-up at Montesano last June.

Karl Mish of Aberdeen was convicted, Monday, of arson in the second degree. He endeavored to fire the house of his son-in-law, C. E. Thell, at 506 West Wishkah street, Christmas day.

Yacob Malsogow, the last of the three men convicted of the Elma bank robbery, must go to Walla Walla, the supreme court ruling against his petition for a new trial.

### FOREST YIELD BIG

Since 1908, there have been taken from the national forests five billion board feet of wood and timber products.



—Kirby in New York World.

LOST, STOLEN OR STRAYED, ONE "DOVE OF PEACE," LAST HEARD OF SOMEWHERE ON THE SHORES OF THE NORTH SEA. FINDER PLEASE RETURN TO HENRY FORD, MAKER OF "PERAMBULATORS," OR TO W. J. BRYAN, "GRAPE JUICE" EXPERT. NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

MANY PEOPLE THINK THAT THIS DOVE OF PEACE IS A CIRCUS CLOWN DRESSED UP LIKE A BIRD, BUT THIS IS NOT THE CASE, TO ORNITHOLOGISTS IT IS KNOWN AS A "FOID BOID."

### MIDDLE GROUND.



—Chapin in St. Louis Republic.

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS IS NOW THE ALL ABSORBING QUESTION. IT IS EASY TO BECOME VERY POSITIVE AND EMPHATIC ON EITHER SIDE OF THE QUESTION. THE SUBJECT INVOLVES HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF WHICH EVERY PERSON IN THE UNITED STATES IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER WILL HAVE TO BEAR A PART OF THE ENORMOUS BURDEN. ON THE OTHER HAND CAN WE AFFORD IN THE PRESENT TEMPER AND ATTITUDE OF NATIONS TO BE TOTALLY UNPREPARED AND AT THEIR MERCY? 'TIS A GREAT QUESTION.

### BUYS TIMBER LAND

The Anderson & Middleton company has bought 200,000,000 feet of timber in the North River district from the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, according to reliable report. The consideration is said to have been \$500,000. The timber adjoins the North River line of the O. R. & N. company, which soon will be placed in operation.

### OPEN STATION HERE

A naval recruiting station will be opened in the Avalon building next Tuesday. Quarters were secured last week by Lieut. Com. J. H. Blackburn, U. S. N., who came up from Portland for the purpose. Two naval men will be in charge of the office.

The Herald is a good newspaper; costs you \$1.50 a year.

### SERMON-LESSONS

Subject of Lesson-Sermons of First Church of Christ, Scientist.  
January 30—"Love."  
February 6—"Spirit."  
February 13—"Soul."  
February 20—"Mind."  
February 27—"Christ Jesus."  
March 5—"Man."  
March 12—"Substance."  
March 19—"Matter."  
March 26—"Reality."

## ASK CHANGE OF SITE FOR POSTOFFICE

Petition Signers Seek New Location for Building

### FIGHT NOW CERTAIN

Opponents of Change Allege Arguments Are Selfish

A petition is being circulated asking for a change in the site purchased in 1910 for a Federal building, on the southeast corner of Second and G streets, on the ground that it is not centrally located and not adapted to the purpose. The petitions are reported to have been started by Frank Stenzel, of Raymond, who owns some valuable corner properties on Broadway, here. The petitions convey the impression that the site now owned by the government is not satisfactory to the department of the treasury.

Opponents of a change contend that the petition's purpose is to delay the erection of the building, for which the department is now ready to award the contract, in order to extend the occupancy of the present postoffice, which was erected for the purpose a year ago. In support of the site now owned, it is claimed that the location is as central as could possibly be secured, and that it is but 650 feet north of the old postoffice, which was entirely satisfactory, so far as location was concerned, for fifteen years; that on the city map, in which the city covers 46 inches east and west and 32 inches north and south, the site at Second and G streets is 14 inches from the north line, 18 inches from the south, 24 inches from the east and 22 inches from the west line.

To the allegation of the advocates of the change, that the site is too far from the business center, opponents say that business and professional men patronize the postoffice, by personal visits, very slightly; that they buy stamps and stamped envelopes in large quantities, and send a clerk for personal visits. They say, also, that a postoffice being in the business section is not so much an object with the postal service as its being centrally located geographically; that the postal authorities consider the ideal location one that resembles the hub of a wheel, from which radiate as spokes the different carrier routes, it being the desire of the department to deliver all letters by carrier when possible.

Opponents to the petition express indignation at this action of a non-resident speculator in Aberdeen realty, fearing possible delay in the erection of a building costing \$157,500, which would go forward this spring unless the petitions should cause delay by holding up the awarding of the contract until an inspector is sent here to probe the matter.

## GATHER MONDAY TO GIVE IMPETUS TO LEWIS BOOM

Republicans Plan Surprise in Boosting Local Man's Candidacy for Governor

Republicans of Grays Harbor will gather next Monday at a booster noon luncheon, in this city, at which it is planned to add considerable impetus to the boom for John G. Lewis as governor. At this meeting something unique in campaign methods will be sprung. Luncheon will be served at the Fairmont hotel.

Tomorrow a delegation of local Republicans will make a trip to Centralia and Chehalis, in automobiles. The Lewis boom will be given ginger in those cities.

### CITY WATER PROFITABLE

The Aberdeen water system made a net profit of \$35,380.97 in 1915, according to City Treasurer T. H. Hill's report. Receipts were \$61,293.85; expenditures \$25,912.88, including maintenance. Total receipts as compared with 1914, showed a falling off of about \$1,800.

### WIDEN CLUB SCOPE

The old Aberdeen Rose club, at a meeting this week, enlarged its scope to take in all of Grays Harbor, changing the club name to suit. J. C. Smith, Aberdeen school director, is president of the reorganized club and Frank A. Gillett of Hoquiam, vice president. At the home of Mr. Smith on February 7 will be held a meeting at which plans for this year will be discussed.

## COUNCIL FOR POSTOFFICE ON G STREET

Condemn Petition Started Against Location Picked

### DISPUTE OVER RENT

Humbargar Thinks He Has Paid Enough to Municipality

The city council took a hand in the postoffice site fight, Wednesday evening, adopting a resolution condemning the starting of a petition directed against the Second and G street location. Final passage was given the ordinance raising bill poster's license from \$25 to \$100 a year, and the bond of Doyle and Lehman for their permit was accepted. The street committee and city engineer will take up with L. G. Humbargar the dispute over rent charged by the city for the land at the foot of D street. Mr. Humbargar stating that the \$900 he already had paid the city was more than the value of the land.

H. R. Eichler, with \$15,692, and T. low bidders for the permanent work on the West bridge, of seven who bid. Their bids were held for a meeting Thursday night. The city attorney was ordered to take legal steps to remove H. B. Elder's windmill from the alley off Sixth street. The ordinance providing that physicians may not give prostitutes "certificates of health," was tabled indefinitely.

Chief of Police R. J. Schmidt's report for 1915 showed 1,345 arrests were made; 10,065 meals served, 1389 being to men who worked and 820 to county prisoners; 822 given night's lodging in jail; \$11,681.86 paid out in salaries and \$400.98 in expenses; and \$2,126 imposed in fines.

Samuel Ross, 701 West Curtis street asked for \$69 damages on account of bursting of frozen pipes in his vacant house at 305 Harriman street after he had notified the water department, he said, to shut the water off. Claim was referred to the city attorney. Claims of George S. Wood, F. H. McMurray, W. H. Turner and Earl H. Freeman, for damages from the B street slide, were rejected.

## RESPOND TO APPEAL FOR DISTRESSED

Subscriptions Pour in for Jews of War-Torn Europe

### THEATERS DONATE

Committee Headed by Patterson Does Energetic Work

Aberdeen is making swift and generous response to the appeal for the relief of distressed Jews in war-ravaged Europe. The local campaign was well started before yesterday, set aside by President Woodrow Wilson's proclamation, and money now is coming in to the three banks, which are depositories for subscriptions. The big work was completed last night but smaller donations doubtless will be coming in for several days.

A committee of seven started the campaign: Mayor J. M. Phillips, President A. C. Gallac of the Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce, James Bowes, A. L. Davenport, W. J. Patterson, Rev. W. T. Randolph and Rev. T. H. Simpson. Mr. Patterson, as chairman of the committee, named these on a larger body to solicit funds: W. C. Mumaw, John Fraser, P. A. Bertrand, W. H. McWhinney, August Wallin, J. S. Brecht, W. J. Egerer, Mrs. G. E. Anderson, A. C. Gallac, Mayor J. M. Phillips, A. L. Davenport, E. A. Morck, Joe Thomas, E. E. Welland, William Donovan sr., Edward Hubbert, J. H. Wilson, Eugene France, J. B. Bridges, A. J. Morley, James Bowes, W. L. Stout and W. B. Mack. In all local theaters last night 25 per cent of the gross receipts were donated to the fund.

Reasons why the appeal for relief of the Jews should be responded to by all classes are strongly and lucidly put forth in a communication from George J. Wolff, to be found in another column of today's Herald.

### FINISH BRIDGE IN APRIL

The West bridge will be finished and ready for traffic in April, figures Engineer C. E. Fowler.