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COMMITTEE OF JEWISH RELIEF MAKES APPEAL

Sufferings of Hebrews in Russia Are Told about in a Statement.

The Clarksburg committee for Jewish relief day has issued the following statement:

So much has been written of the sufferings of the Jewish people in the war zone of eastern Europe that every American must be fully aware of the terrible conditions existing there. While all the inhabitants of the war zone are being subjected to all the terrible hardships of warfare the Jewish population suffers the added atrocities of all the brutal and systematic persecution of Russian bureaucracy.

Many privileges, temporarily granted for selfish reasons by the Russian government, at the beginning of the war have been withdrawn following the false accusations of disloyalty; other privileges still in force are subject to the interpretation and approval of corrupt Russian officials who manage to see that the Jews are denied practically all human rights. After sixteen months of the present war the world is finally convinced that the corrupt Russian bureaucracy is still supreme and does not intend to change its traditional oppressive policy of making the Jews the scapegoat of their defeats and blunders of this war.

The Jews cannot, therefore, look to the Russian government for aid in their present affliction, in spite of the fact that they are serving their government with unique loyalty and self sacrifice.

That this is the horrible state of affairs of Russian Jewry is sadly attested by the following authentic investigations:

The following facts are vouched

for by the Jewish Colonization Association of Petrograd; the Hilfsverein der Deutschen Juden of Berlin; the Israelitische Allianz zu Wien of Vienna; and the organizations all on the ground and in a position to get first hand and accurate information:

1. Nearly three quarters of a million men, women and children of our faith are homeless.

2. The expulsions started last May were systematically followed up with decrees covering a very much wider territory.

3. The notices to the Jewish residents to leave their homes varies from three to twenty-four hours.

4. In addition to the physical and mental agony caused by these expulsions, a far more serious result was the breaking up of thousands of families, members of which were lost on the way.

5. Old men dropped on the road from exhaustion. Women in travail died. Children took ill.

6. The congestion of the refugees in unsanitary quarters in the Jewish cities resulted in the outbreak of infectious and contagious disease, so that the infant mortality in cities like Lodz and Warsaw was alarming.

7. In May of this year and after the first expulsions had been put into effect, the following number of refugees were reported by the Jewish Colonization Association: Warsaw, 75,000 people; Vienna, 12,000; Kielce, 3,000; Konak, 4,000; Minsk, 2,000; Prasnysk, 1,500; Radom, 2,000; Gussatlin, 1,200; shaki (Suvalki), 1,500; Lomaha, 5,000; Khmelnik, Province Kielce, 1,500.

Since that time these numbers have increased almost ten fold. No accurate figures can be given of the number of refugees because hundreds of thousands are eating up their little savings, and have not registered at any relief agency. These are rapidly reaching the end of their resources, and will soon have to fall upon philanthropy.

8. The commercial life in the Russian Pale is lying waste. The merchants, great and small, are

ruined, and unemployment is universal.

9. In Poland alone there are nearly three hundred towns that have suffered materially from the war.

10. Over three million townspeople are destitute.

11. The destitution is so widespread that no one province can be selected as typical of the want. Especially miserable are the residents of the provinces of Kovno and Grodno, and the provinces of Bessarabia, Podolia and Volynia.

The above facts show that whatever aid comes to the Jews in Russia must come through the generosity of the outside world. Already have Jew and Gentile begun to respond to their lamentable misery. It is for this reason that President Wilson has set aside at the suggestion of the Senate, January 27, 1916, as a special day on which all Americans, regardless of creed, may contribute to this humane cause.

The Central Relief Committee of New York, hopes to raise five million dollars on or before January 27. To date about a million and a half has been raised through the generosity of the Jews and Gentiles of the United States.

The Clarksburg committee wishes to make an earnest appeal to all citizens of Clarksburg to contribute their generous share in response to a special letter which will soon be sent to their homes.

STUART F. REED

Is Quite Well Pleased with the Outlook for His Nomination for Congressman.

Stuart F. Reed, secretary of state and candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress in this district, arrived in the city Saturday evening enroute to the interior of the state on a short trip in the interest of his candidacy and on business.

"I have been in close touch with every county in the district," said Mr. Reed in discussing his candidacy, "and am more than gratified with the situation as I find it. Later I expect to spend what time I can afford from the duties of my office in the district and go before the people with a presentation of my request for their support at the primary election polls."

Secretary Reed's sister, Mrs. E. M. Jackson, of Buckhannon, is quite ill and he expects to visit her before his return to Clarksburg.

FUNERAL MONDAY.

Andy Vvovazar, aged 46 years, an Italian miner of Gypsy, died at his home there at 8 o'clock Saturday morning after a long illness of tuberculosis. The funeral services will be held at 3:30 o'clock Monday morning at the Holy Rosary church here and the burial will be in the Holy Cross cemetery.

OFFICIALS HERE.

A. G. Saylor, of New York, general manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and A. C. Terry, of Pittsburgh, district commercial superintendent of the company, made an official visit to the Clarksburg office of the company Saturday. They inspected operations and looked into general matters regarding the company's business here.

PANAMA CANAL NOT READY TO BE REOPENED

Nor Can a Prediction as to Its Prospective Reopening Be Made Says Goethals.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PANAMA, Jan. 22.—Owing to the uncertainty regarding the movement of slides in Gaillard cut, the Panama canal is not ready to be reopened nor can a prediction as to its prospective reopening be made, according to a statement issued today by Major General Goethals, governor of the zone, which reads as follows:

"It is not intended to reopen the canal until a safe and practically permanent channel is reasonably assured. This cannot be assured at present, although the operations of the dredges during the last four months have shown that they are able when not interrupted in the work by the passage of ships or the clearing of the channel for navigation, to gain on the slides and it is desired to have a reasonable assurance that they can maintain this gain even with the delay from the above causes. "It is hoped that before long better information on the two main controlling features will be available. The large mass of rock at the base of Gold Hill on the east bank is being carefully observed. If the materials behind it move northwardly, as is not unlikely one danger of interruption to navigation will be removed."

"The other feature is the rate of motion that will result in the west slide when the dredges attack its face as will shortly be done. It is believed that the dredges can keep well ahead of any possible motion in this mass, provided the east bank is quiescent, or nearly so."

TWELVE MILLION

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feers. Belgium aroused their sympathy because it was the war's first great horror. Poland's tragedy came too late.

"Belgium was a nation. It had a king, queen, little royal children. When war crushed out the nation's life, the historic tragedy stirred the imagination of the American people."

"Poland is merely the name of a nation that has passed—the tragic memory of a state. To Americans it was only a region trampled by armies. Its fate had no appeal."

"Belgium, as a nation, was represented in the United States by an ambassador, consuls, and commercial agents. Poland had no one to represent it. The American people know Belgium almost as well as they know the remote parts of their own country. Poland is too far away."

Prey of Armies. "There is now no meat in Poland. The cattle, sheep, swine have gone to the commissaries of the armies. The people live on carrot soup. Thousands walk for miles in the winter cold with their feet wrapped in rags to beg a pannikin of this carrot soup. Rye flour, normally \$3 a sack, is now \$27. Peas, which once sold at \$1.50 a bag are held at \$9. There is hardly a pound of lard or a side of bacon in all Poland."

"Premier Asquith's answer to the appeal of Chicago Poles is not unfavorable. I see in it a certain hope. He advises that a central relief organization be established in Poland to see to distributions. This is a fine idea."

"If we could establish such an organization which could operate with authority, I think we could get supplies into the country. John F. Smulski of the Polish central relief committee is now in Washington to consult with Secretary of State Lansing, the officials of the Rockefeller foundation, and the ministers of the Entente nations to see what can be done. A second appeal to Premier Asquith will be formulated, as a result."

CHARTERS

Are Issued to Two Domestic Concerns and One Foreign Corporation.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) CHARLESTON, Jan. 22.—For the purpose of manufacturing and marketing gas engines and motors, the Wilmo Company, of Chicago, obtained a certificate of incorporation today to do business under the laws of West Virginia. The authorized capital is \$1,500,000. The chief works will be in Chicago with branches at various places in the United States. The incorporators are Thomas H. Normils, James J. Walsh, C. H. Campers, all of Chicago; W. D. Payne and Berkeley Mfinor, of Charleston.

The White Stick Coal Company of Beckley, was incorporated with an authorized capital of \$10,000. It will operate for coal in Raleigh county. The incorporators are T. R. Ragland, M. F. Gunnoe, Joe L. Smith, J. E. Tolliver and C. H. Meador, of Beckley. A charter was granted to the Huntington Auto Sales Company, of Huntington, with an authorized capital of \$5,000. The incorporators all of Huntington, are C. C. Huddleston, J. H. Harphn, M. E. Webb, E. Osgood and Roy Lively.

REDFIELD HONORED.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 22.—William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce, was re-elected president of the National Society for the Promotion of Industrial Education at the closing session of its annual convention here today. A recommendation favoring the Smith-Hughes bill for federal aid to industrial education was presented by the committee on resolutions.

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SCHOOL TEACHERS WILL GATHER HERE IN YEARLY MEETING

County Association Will Observe Program Two Days in High School Building.

The eighth annual meeting of the Harrison County Teachers' Association will be held in the Washington Irving high school building here next Friday and Saturday. The program will be as follows:

Friday, 10 a. m.

Opening exercises.

"Echoes from the State Department of Schools"—George E. Hubbs, Charleston.

"The Need of Night and Constitution Schools"—L. J. Hanlan, Charleston.

"Shall We Give Credit for Farm and Home Work?"—M. J. Abbey, Morgantown.

"The Importance of Teachers Studying and Applying the Course of Study"—Superintendent F. L. Burdette, Clarksburg.

General discussion.

Noon—1:15 p. m.

Music.

"Short-comings of the Teacher"—Stanley C. Morris, principal Wallace schools.

Round table:

a—"What Is the Purpose of Review?"—When and How Should a Review Be Made?"—C. M. Bailey, Northview school.

b—"What Is Drill? Explain Its Use and Purpose in Teaching"—C. W. Post, Bridgeport schools.

c—"How May Dramatization Aid in Teaching Reading?"—Miss Ida M. Higley, Clarksburg.

d—"Some Little Annoyances—How I Manage Them"

e—"Does a Six-Year Old Child in a Country School Receive a Fair Share of the Teacher's Time?"

f—"What Effect Has Wholesome Play Upon the Work of the School?"

g—"What Effect Does the Condition of School Property Have Upon the Pupil?"

h—"Personal Qualities of the Teacher—Their Effect Upon the School."

Night Session—7:30 O'clock.

Special music.

Address, subject to be selected—Joseph Rosier, president Fairmont Normal school.

Music—selected.

Saturday, 9:30 a. m.

Business session.

Round table discussion:

a—"What Is Self-activity? Mental Activity? Motor Activity?"—F. J. Shreve, Fairmont Normal School.

b—"Suitable School Room Decoration"—County Superintendent Carl S. Lawson.

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women, and children—tonight, on the other side of the seas.

Bishop Greer emphasized the sincerity of his words with a money contribution.

SUDDEN

Is Death of James Kiggins, Former Resident of Weston, at Lumberport.

James Kiggins, aged 57 years, a farm hand employed by Benjamin Matthews, a well known farmer of Lumberport, dropped dead near the Matthews home at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. The body was prepared for burial and will be taken to his former home at Weston for burial.

Mr. Kiggins was not feeling very well Friday and a physician was summoned. The physician told him he was suffering from heart disease and that he should go to bed, Kiggins refused to go to bed. He got up at the usual time Saturday morning. He walked from the house to the stable and was returning to the house when he dropped dead.

The deceased man is survived by Mrs. Joseph Emboden, a sister, and Edward and Thomas Kiggins, brothers. He was born and raised at Weston, but had been working for Mr. Matthews for several years.

MR. LONG

Visits the City in Interest of His Candidacy for the State Auditorship.

E. L. Long, of Charleston, state treasurer who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for state auditor to succeed John S. Darst, was a prominent visitor to come to the city Saturday afternoon. He devoted much time to meeting Republican voters and laying before them his claims for the auditorship.

Treasurer Long expressed gratification with the reception accorded him at the many state points he has visited and he confidently expects to walk off with the nomination though he admits his opponent will give him a stiff run.

RIVER STAGES

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WHEELING, Jan. 22.—River, 8 feet and rising, cloudy.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 22.—River stages follow:

Davis Island dam, 10.2 feet, rising, cloudy.

Staubenville, 11 feet, rising, cloudy.

Parkersburg, 12 feet, rising, cloudy.

Morgantown, 12.6 feet, falling, cloudy.

Oil City, 4.6 feet, rising, clear.

Warren, 4 feet, rising, clear.

MRS. CAYWOOD ILL.

Mrs. Rosa Caywood is ill at her home on Virginia avenue, suffering from a severe attack of influenza. Mrs. Caywood's many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

SCHOOLS TO CLOSE

All the Clark district schools will be closed Friday in order that the teachers may attend the annual convention of the Harrison County Teachers' Association that day.

MRS. COOPER ENTERTAINS.

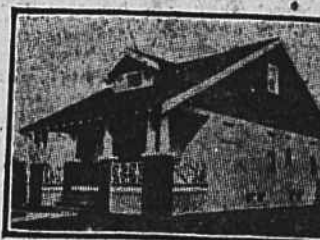
Complimentary to Mrs. Thomas W. Pettigrew, of New York, Mrs. Howard Cooper entertained a few friends at cards from 3 to 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Two tables were arranged for auction bridge. At 5 o'clock a salad supper was served in the dining room from a prettily appointed table which had crimson curtains for its droll decorations. Covers were laid for eight.

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