

the Call of the Martyrs

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VETERAN PATRIOT AND PHILANTHROPIST

The Hindustan Gadar Party Memorial Committee felt highly energized by a recent visit from the famous Sikh Spiritual scientist, Dr. Bhagat Singh Thind and his charming wife. This veteran patriot and philanthropist, whose donations to various political, social and educational endeavors in India run into thousands of dollars, was amazed at the attitude of the Government of India toward the Gadar Party Memorial at 5 Wood Street.

In a letter of President Kesar S. Dillon, preceding his visit, Dr. Thind wrote, "I am unable to fathom the minds of Indian Government leaders who have played hide and seek so long with the Gadar Memorial Committee and show no inclination to honor the martyred souls who gave their all for the freedom and unity of their land. Their mercantile mentality is miserable repulsive to all that we hold high and honorable."

A man of indomitable will and invincible spirit, a man of unshakable faith and purpose, Dr. Thind brings to the Gadar Memorial Committee encouragement and inspiration, which is indeed precious and welcome.

We know of no Indian in the United States who has done so much for India by lecturing through the length and breadth of the United States since the First World War to the present day. A veteran with the American forces during the First World War, and a distinguished American citizen since, Dr. Thind has never forgotten the land of his origin and his people who are deeply beholden to him for his patriarchal and philanthropical interest in their community activities.

Dr. Thind is not just a man, but an institution, a veritable fountain-head of energy and wisdom. It feels so good, so healthy and blissful just to stand near this great soul of piety and devotion, whose concern for his native country and countrymen is as deep as his faith in the teachings of the Sikh Gurus, which he imbibed at his Punjabi home and at Khalsa College Amritsar.

The Call of the Martyrs salutes Dr. Bhagat Singh Thind as an outstanding patriot and humanitarian whose contributions for the last half century have enriched and fulfilled the hungry in mind and body. With you by our side Dr. Thind, we shall overcome, we shall never fail.

PROUD MEMORIES OF OUR 'DISTINGUISHED HISTORIANS' VISIT

The Hindustan Gadar Party Memorial Committee was very much inspired and encouraged in its work by the recent visit of two distinguished Indian historians from an Australian University, who are currently on a professional visit to the United States. Dr. D.P. Singhal and his lovely wife, Dr. Devahuti, were recent guests of Prof. Ved Parkash Vatuk of Berkeley, who introduced the Singhals to our work. In the coming issues, we hope to have the picture of Dr. D.P. Singhal along with something from his pen.

We were glad to hear from Dr. Devahuti from New York, en route to India. Her very welcome letter, containing exhortations to save and preserve the brilliant page of Indian history, we share with our world-wide readers.



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