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ROCHESTER, N. Y., June 4.—A mass meeting was held here tonight in Convention Hall to protest against the execution of Leo Frank, which is set for June 22. Mayor Edgerton presided and resolutions asking that Frank's sentence be commuted to life imprisonment were unanimously adopted.

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The resolutions were presented by James G. Cutler, former Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. They recite that antagonistic public feeling may have had a part in determining the verdict against Frank, and plead for commutation of sentence so that the truth may be known before reparation becomes impossible.

George M. Forbes, Professor of Psychology and Pedagogy at the University of Rochester, was the principal speaker at the meeting. He said that the fact that commutation was being asked for, in a measure, implied guilt, and that to a layman it was apparent that the essential point as to Frank's guilt had not been touched by the Supreme Court. Copies of the resolution were sent to the Prison Commission and the Governor of Georgia with a request for their favorable consideration.

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First Lieutenant Harold C. Woodward, Twenty-second Corps of Engineers, the dynamite expert of the National Guard, and the man who gave the secret of the most powerful explosive in the world to the United States Government, has been promoted to Captain and assigned to duty as Adjutant of the First Battalion. He relieves Captain Joseph J. Daly, who has been assigned to duty as adjutant to the headquarters staff, vice Captain Patrick J. Walsh, who has been given command of Company B to fill a vacancy.

## PLEADS FOR GALICIAN JEWS.

Rabbi Blumenthal Here to Ask Ald

for Poor in Jerusalem.

The Rev. Dr. A. S. Blumenthal, a noted rabbi of Palestine, has arrived in New York as the representative of the Galician Jews in Jerusalem, more than 3,000 of whom are said to be on the verge of destitution, owing to the war. Dr. Blumenthal bears letters of introduction to Nathan Straus and will tour the country in the aid of his suffering countrymen. Moneys collected will be transmitted to Palestine through the Austrian Embassy. The written appeal for sympathy which Dr. Blumenthal brings is indorsed by the Austro-Hungarian Consul in Jerusalem and also by the Austro-Hungarian Consul General in New York.

The appeal states that aid from Galicia has been cut off, that the community, for the most part aged men and women and children, is in great distress, and that "under such circumstances nothing now remains for us to do but to address ourselves to you, 'our brethren in America.'"

## J. B. BURNET A SUICIDE.

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Made despondent by business worries, Jacob B. Burnet, 37 years old, a lawyer, with offices at 55 Liberty Street, early yesterday morning shot himself in the head in the apartment he and his brother occupied at the Andrada, 139 East Thirtieth Street. He died twelve hours later in Bellevue Hospital. Policeman Kalver identified the body as that of a man he had helped to the apartment house and given into the care of one of the hallmen at 2:30 o'clock in the morning. The shooting occurred twenty minutes later. The brother, Harry Burnet, said he was awakened by the report of the pistol. Dr. Harrison I. Cook, who was called, found the dying man unconscious. He was fully dressed, and the bullet had passed through his head and lay on the pillow. The revolver was held tightly in the man's hand.

No letters were found. His brother said Jacob had been worrying over business, and that when he reached home shortly before the shooting he had remarked that business was bad.