

[Right to vote and Indian independence correspondence]

December 30, 1948.

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Dear Sirs

As part of the annual celebration of the Sikh Community of British Columbia, a public meeting will be held on Sunday evening, January 17th, 1949, at 8 p.m., in the Orpheum Theatre at Vancouver, under the auspices of the Khalsa Diwan Society, which embraces all the East Indians in British Columbia.

The purpose of this meeting is four-fold. It is intended to urge a speedy settlement of political difficulties in India, so that the Indian people may be enlisted wholeheartedly in the war against Axis aggression and may afterwards co-operate in the making of a stable peace. It is further decided to support the claims of British subjects of East Indian origin for the franchise in British Columbia.

Mr. Elmer Phillips will preside over the meeting. It will be non-partisan and non-sectarian in character and representatives of all religious creeds and political parties will be asked to participate.

On behalf of the Sikh people of this Province, I invite your cooperation in making this meeting a success. I will be very glad to know whether you can attend this meeting and speak briefly in support of the measures referred to above. If not, can you suggest someone who would speak for you? Failing that, it would be much appreciated if you could send to me a brief letter or telegram, setting out your views on these matters.

Yours very truly,

MEMORANDUM.

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