

BARRING OF DARWINISM FROM SCHOOLS LAUDED IN RESOLUTION

(Tulsa World, March 27.)
Approval of the amendment excluding books containing the Darwinian theory of evolution from the books to be purchased for distribution among Oklahoma school children under the free textbook bill recently passed by the legislature, was voiced by Immanuel Baptist Church in resolutions adopted Sunday and announced Monday, and, further, support in enforcement of the amendment pledged.

The resolution read:
"Whereas, the House of Representatives of the State of Oklahoma has passed as an amendment to the free textbook bill, the provision that no textbooks to be used which contain the Darwinian theory of evolution or other materialistic conception of creation, and,

"Whereas, the Senate of the State of Oklahoma has concurred with the House of Representatives by also passing this amendment; and,

"Whereas, Gov. J. C. Walton of Oklahoma has, by signing the bill with the amendment, made it a law; and,

"Whereas the Immanuel Baptist Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma, is, as it always has been, unequivocally opposed to the teachings of Darwin and other exponents of the theory of evolution, because their teachings are not in harmony with the account of creation as given in Genesis."

Therefore, be it
"Resolved, that the Immanuel Baptist Church of Tulsa go on record as being in favor of the above mentioned amendment, commending the action of the two houses of the Oklahoma Legislature, and heartily standing behind the enforcement of the amendment.

"Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Governor of Oklahoma, J. C. Walton; the speaker of the Senate of Oklahoma; the speaker of the House of Representatives of Oklahoma, the Tulsa World and the Tulsa Tribune, and that a copy thereof be incorporated into the records of this church."
(Signed) Daniel R. Wade Pastor,
"Thomas W. Pryor, Clerk."

BRYAN PLAN WORKS

Doctor A. A. Murphree, president of the University of Florida, acting on the suggestion of William J. Bryan, inaugurated a pledge-signing crusade in the great school over which he presides. Signing the total abstinence pledge himself, he presented a copy to the members of the faculty, everyone of whom signed. A copy was then furnished to every student in the university, and with returns still coming, seventy-five per cent of them have been enrolled. All these facts and others equally interesting are covered in an editorial by William J. Bryan, in The Commoner, which we are reprinting on another page of this issue.

It is to be hoped that college and university presidents everywhere will join in this crusade. Attention more than once has been called to the fact that the next generation must keep up the fight for the enforcement of prohibition. What chance of success will there be if that generation has not been taught total abstinence?

There are better reasons now why young men and young women should sign the pledge—why all people should—than there were in the days of the licensed saloon. Those reasons are found in the policy of outlawry for the liquor traffic to which the nation legally and constitutionally has committed itself.

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