

TAKE YOUR CHOICE OF JESUITS OR AMERICANS.

The Grand Island Independent says the Obligation Printed Alongside the Jesuit's Oath Below, is Used by the A. P. A.—It is Not—You Can Decide What Class You Would Rather Have Govern This Country.

JESUIT'S OATH.

I, —, now in the presence of Almighty God, the blessed virgin Mary, the blessed Michael the archangel, the blessed St. John the Baptist, the holy apostles St. Peter and St. Paul and the saints and sacred host of heaven, and to you my ghostly father, I do declare from my heart, without mental reservation that the pope is Christ's vicar-general and is the true and only head of the universal church throughout the earth, and by virtue of the keys of binding and loosing given to his holiness by Jesus Christ he hath power to depose heretical kings, princes, states, commonwealths, governments, all being illegal without his sacred confirmation, and they may safely be destroyed. Therefore, to the utmost of my power, I will defend this doctrine and his holiness' rights and customs against all usurpers of the heretical or Protestant authority, especially against the now pretended authority and church in England and all adherents, in regard that they be usurped and heretical, opposing the sacred mother church of Rome.

I do renounce and disown any allegiance as due to any heretical king, prince or state, named Protestant, or obedience to any of their inferior magistrates or officers.

I do further declare the doctrine of the church of England, of the Calvinists, Huguenots and other Protestants, to be damnable, and those to be damned who will not forsake the same. I do further declare that I will help, assist and advise all or any of his holiness' agents, in any place wherever I shall be and to do my utmost to extirpate the heretical Protestant doctrine, and to destroy all their pretended power, regal or otherwise. I do further promise and declare, that notwithstanding I am dispensed with to assume any religion heretical for the propagation of the mother church's interest to keep secret and private all her agents counsels as they entrust me, and not to divulge, directly or indirectly, by word, writing or circumstance whatsoever, but to execute all which shall be proposed, given in charge or discovered unto me, by you my ghostly father.

All which I, —, do swear by the blessed trinity, and blessed sacrament which I am about to receive, to perform, on my part to keep inviolably; and do call on all the heavenly and glorious host of heaven to witness my real intentions to keep my oath. In testimony whereof, I take this most holy and blessed sacrament of the eucharist, and witness the same further with my hand and seal, in the face of this holy convent.

Now, what do you think of that? Is that not a nice thing for an American (?) citizen to wear around in this country? Swears to support the holy church (the pope) without a mental reservation, no difference in what country he may be. Swears to help destroy all heretic (Protestant) governments. Swears that he will not obey Protestant officers or magistrates. Swears that all governments are illegal unless confirmed by the church. Swears to aid in breaking down Protestantism. Swears to be solely and wholly a Roman—the obedient servant, to willing tool of the man in Rome.

A. P. A. OBLIGATION.

Grand Island Independent: The following is the obligation taken by persons joining the A. P. A. as shown by the working book as explained by cipher explanation of blank spaces found in said book:

WORKING BOOK OBLIGATION.

Deputy—You will repeat after me the following obligation, giving your name in full. (Persons affirming will raise the right hand.)

I, —, in the presence of Almighty God, and these witnesses, do solemnly promise, declare and swear, that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States, and the state where I reside; I will keep inviolate the secrets of this organization; I will obey its constitution and laws; I will use my best endeavors to promote civil and religious liberty; I will not knowingly vote for, recommend for, nor appoint, nor assist in electing, or appointing a Roman Catholic nor any person sympathizing with Roman Catholicism, to any political position whatever, and in all my public and political action will be governed by the principles of this order; I will oppose all attempts to use the public funds for any sectarian purpose whatever and will ever maintain the great principle of one general unsectarian free school organization; I will never reveal any of the signs, grips, words, passwords or other mysteries of this order, or the names of any of its members, or its numerical strength, to the uninitiated; I will hold these principles above my party affiliation; I will always give a brother of this order preference in all matters of business and also in my act of elective franchise, all things being equal. I will make prompt reports to the chief recording secretary of every initiation made by me. I will advocate the principles of this order. I will use my best endeavors to initiate all true men, and in this way help spread the order; all this I voluntarily promise, declare and swear (or affirm) without hesitation or mental reservation, or any self evasion of mind in me, whatever, so help me God." (Recently incorporated as the American League.)

How many of you who have taken the A. P. A. obligation would recognize the above as that used by the order? What outsider, after reading the Jesuit's oath in the preceding column, believes even that obligation wrong? Is it not the height of impudence for rascals, for traitors, to try to call a halt in the American movement? That oath shows what the Jesuits are here for. It shows they wear the livery of heaven to serve the devil in. While they fawn upon short-sighted Protestants they have their minions working to destroy the government which furnished them a haven when driven from nearly every nation upon the earth. For our part we would not hesitate to choose between the two oaths. We are purely and simply an American, who believes it the duty of every man who comes to live in this country and swears allegiance to the United States, to so swear allegiance as not to have a mental reservation in favor of the pope. We believe in the above obligation, and care little who knows it.

THE CANON LAW.

1. The constitutions of princes are not superior, but subordinate to Ecclesiastical constitutions.
2. The laws of the emperors cannot dissolve the ecclesiastical or canon law.
3. It is not lawful for an emperor to exact anything opposed to the apostolic rules.
4. It is not lawful for kings to usurp the things that belong to priests.
5. No custom of any one can thwart the statutes of the popes.
6. Let no resistance be offered to the apostolic (canon) precepts, but let them be assiduously fulfilled.
7. The yoke imposed by the holy see is to be borne, though it appear intolerable and insupportable.
8. The Pontiff can neither be loosed nor bound by the secular power.
9. That the Pontiff was called God by the pious Prince Constantine, and that as god he cannot be judged by man.
10. That as god he is far above the reach of all human law and judgement.
11. That all laws contrary to the canons and decrees of the Roman prelates are of no force.
12. That all of the ordinances of the pope are unhesitatingly to be obeyed.
13. We ought not even to speak to one whom the pope has excommunicated.
14. Priests are fathers and masters, even of princes.
15. The civil law is derived from man, but the ecclesiastical, or canon law is derived directly from God, by which the pontiff can, in connection with his prelates, make constitutions for the whole christian world, in matters spiritual, concerning the salvation of souls, and the right government of the church; and if necessary judge and dispose of all the temporal goods of all christians.
16. A heretic, holding or teaching false doctrine concerning the sacraments, is excommunicated and degraded, and handed over to the secular court.
17. Secular princes unwilling to swear to defend the church against heretics are excommunicated, and they are laid under an interdict.
18. The goods of heretics are to be confiscated, and applied to the church.
19. Advocates or notaries, favoring heretics, or their defenders, or pleading for them in law suits, or writing documents for them, are infamous, and suspended from office.
20. The secular powers, whether permanent or temporary, are bound to swear that they will exterminate, according to their power, all heretics condemned by the church; and a temporal lord not purging his land of heretics, is excommunicated.
21. Those signed with the cross for the extermination of heretics, rejoice in the privilege granted to the crusaders for the help of the Holy land.
22. They are absolved from all obligations who are in anywise bound to heretics.
23. Whoever dies in battle against the unbelieving, merits the kingdom of heaven.
24. We do not esteem those homicides, to whom it may have happened

in their zeal for their Mother Church against the excommunicated, to kill some of them.

25. That Catholic princes are bound, both by civil and canon law, not to receive or tolerate heretics, and much more are not to permit their rites, or other exercise of their religion, or rather, their false sect, but are most solemnly bound everywhere, to repel and expel them.

26. The following temporal punishments are to be enforced on heretics: 1st.—Infamy, and the consequent disqualifications for all civil acts. 2d.—Intestability, as well active and passive (that is, they can neither make will, nor inherit what is left to them by others). 3d. Loss of paternal power over children. 4th.—Loss of dowry, and other privileges granted to woman. 5th.—Confiscation of all goods. 6th. That vassals and slaves and others are set free from all, even sworn obligations due to their lord or another. 7th. Capital corporal punishments, especially death, and perpetual imprisonment.

27. The canon law forbids all toleration.

28. That Metropolitans and Bishops are to excommunicate him who grants liberty of conscience.

29. No oath is to be kept towards heretic princes, lords or others.

30. Heretics are to be deprived of all civil and paternal rights.

31. The Pope can absolve from all oaths.

32. Every bishop is ordinary judge in a cause of heresy. The reason is because the bishops can ex-officio, and ought to extirpate heretics, and inflict upon them the due punishments, and to this are bound on pain of deposition. Besides, are the inquisitors especially deputed by the Apostolic See. Every bishop in his diocese is thought to be, and in reality is, a natural inquisitor, (literally born inquisitor), so as to have the same power with those already mentioned in a cause of heresy.

33. In every promissory oath although absolutely taken, there are certain conditions tacitly understood, amongst which are: First, If I can; Second, To save the right and authority of a superior; Third, When the oath supposes the honor of the Apostolic See to be illicit."

34. That the Council of Trent, (the last and great authority of Rome), decrees and commands that the sacred canons and all general councils, also the other Apostolic enactments issued in favor of ecclesiastical persons of ecclesiastical liberty, and against its violators, all of which by this present decree it renews, and must be exactly observed by all.

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