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TAFT'S RELIGION

POLITICIANS PRESENTING RELIG-IOUS ISSUE DENOUNCED BY EMINENT EDITOR.

Philadelphia "North American" Scores Politicians Who Would Deny the Constitutional Right of Liberty of Conscience.

The un-American and indefensible attempt of democratic politicians to make a partisan political issue out of the religious beliefs and church attachments of William H. Taft has received the following deserved and fitting condemnation from the editor of the Philadelphia "North American," one of the best and most intelligently edited newspapers of the United States. The "North American" says:

"We have received numbers of leters inquiring about the religious beliefs of Taft. The two which we print below we have selected as fair gamples, because they raise the two questions which constitute the basis of all similar communications:

To the Editor of the North American. It is rumored in this place that William Taft is a staunch Roman Catholic. Is it true? If so, can Americans, and especially those born on American soil, support him for president, as he would be subject to a foreign potentate?

JOHN B. MYERS. Hanover, Pa., June 10.

To the Editor of the North American. I have heard a report today, in Pittsburg, to the effect that the Hon. William H. Taft is a Unitarian and Jesus Christ. I do not wish to criticise or question the wisdom in selecting our candidate for presidency, but desire to call it to your attention, and trust you will make proper investigation and let the facts be known promptly.

If he is an unbeliever, we cannot hope to elect him at a general election to the presidency of a Christian country, and I trust you will see the advisability of a proper investigation and use your powerful influence 🐽 place a man with proper standing at the head of our ticket. We cannot count on the support of a Christian people for an unbeliever.

D. B. EVANS. Jeannette, Pa., June 15.

To dispose of questions which should not be asked, as speedily as possible, let us say that Mr. Taft is not a Roman Catholic. He is a member of the Unitarian church That was the church of his parents and he has never separated himself from it. His wife, however, is an Episcopalian, and he worships more often beside her in her church.

These are the facts, which are ut terly and absolutely unimportant, The matter of a man's religion has no rightful place in consideration of his fitness for the presidency. The constitution of the nation, ordained and established "to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity," expressly places the very suggestion of such thought outside the pale of patriotism.

No words can be clearer than these from our country's fundamental law: "No religious test ever shall be required as a qualification to any of fice or public trust under the United States."

The numerous queries about Mr. Taft's religious belief show simply the extent to which his enemies have gone to rouse some prejudice against him. Since there was no spot upon his whole clean record of private conduct and public service to which they could point to Taft's detriment, they displayed their willingness to descend to any depth of petty, cowardly, contemptible attack that might do him harm

Now, it was not because Mr. Taft was born of a Unitarian family that it was thought possible to disseminate a false sentiment. His enemies saw their chance in the fact that Taft, when governor general of the Philippines, adjusted for all time a diplomatic question of such extreme delicacy that, fiandled by any other American representative, it would likely have rankled for half a cen tury a source of danger and dispute.

The disposition of the friars' lands involved, besides important finances, religion in Europe and this country and revolution in the islands. The place to do business is at headquar ters. Taft went to the Vatican. And in two days' talk he settled the controversy upon lines so fair, so broad, so impartial as to win for America the honor and admiration of the hierarchy of the Catholic church, yet justify the persecutors and the tions for members of Congress and in making no concession that ever yet persecutions they cry out against such other elections as are constituhas offered a loophole for censure by the bitterest opponent of Reman

But Tart went to the Vatican. That was his first offense

The second offense was having his picture taken beside the pope. That picture has been reprinted and dis tributed throughout the country. And the letters we have received show that this had some effect, even in a supposedly sane and civilized na-

Those two incidents constitute the foundation for all the censorious gossip that has been set going concerning Mr. Taft's religion.

The first won for American statesmanship and American fair-dealing the approval of the world.

Nor can we see a semblance of excuse even for covert attacks by inscrupulous enemies in the recognition of an American representative by Rome or in dignified deference shown by that representative to the head of the oldest Christian church, the revered chief of 230,000,000 Christians throughout the world, including 11,000,000 loyal Americans.

The attempt to hurt Taft by essaying to identify him with the Roman Catholic church we place on the same plane as the attempt to censure him because he has refused to turn from the church in which his mother knelt. Both are kindred appeals to the bigotry which we hold in utter

We had thought, as we have hoped, that the day of religious prejudice in national politics was done in this country. What better proof could we have asked of the disappearance of that vicious error than the religious complexion of Roosevelt's cabinet?

No sane man believes that the president chose any adviser save for his fitness-certainly not because of his religion. So we have seen the Dutch Reformed churchman surrounddoes not believe in the divinity of our ing himself with Root the Presbyterian, Taft the Unitarian, Straus the Jew and Bonaparte the Roman

And not because of their varying faiths, but because not one word was spoken of the religion of any as a qualification or a disqualification, we thought we had reason to believe that the prejudices which never should have existed were dead at

The North American yields to no one in its Americanism. And in the spirit of the normal, but intense, American, we say that if Mr. Taft were a Roman Catholic or a Hebrew or the adherent of any other faith, our support of his candidacy would be no less ardent because he chose to worship God according to the die tates of his conscience.

What the man murmurs with bowed head on Sunday matters much to his soul. But what concerns us in the filling of an office with which re ligion has no affair is, that not on one day, but every day, with his eyes facing all men, the every act of this man has proved him the God-fearing patriot who has done Christ's own work in earning the title of "the secretary of neace"

That religious prejudice has sur vived so long under this government, whose basic principle is civil and religious liberty, has puzzled the deepest students.

True, much of this is the inheritance of the ages. In part, it all dates back to the barbarous martyrdoms of Catholics and Protestants in turn, as each in turn gained dominance. We can trace it through the prompt shifting of the Puritans from persecuted to persecutors. Knownothingism, the fruit of a long growth, left

But while much of the prejudice may thus be accounted for, in our judgment the feeling is kept alive and nurtured less by the persecutors than by the persecuted themselves. There is no ethical difference between supporting a bad man for high civic place because he professes a certain religion and opposing him or any other man because of his religious

Any man who is not a good and upright citizen is not a good and upright follower of any religion. What ever altar the betrayer of public trust kneels before he is a Judas. And he is far less worthy the support of members of the faith to which he is a traitor than of the vetes of those indifferent or opposed to the creed he speaks, but in acts denies,

Church members lose claim to good they approve the man who gives color to the charges of the enemies of their faith and promote, instead of rebuking, the dissembler who disgraces their church.

Nor is that the worst. By their action they foment and foster this same religious prejudice which has ing a filing in a Federal office of a bloodled the pages of history. They statement of the contributions received do more than aught else could to by committees and caudidates in elec-For their own solidarity in a wrong tionally within the control of Congress. cause forces a factional alignment of -From Hon. Wm. H. Taft's speech acall who think unlike them.

Machinery of Congress Already Started for Postal Savings Bank Law.

A Safe and Sane Plan for the Convenience of the People and the Encouragement of Thrift.

'We favor the establishment of a postal savings bank system for the convenience of the people and the encouragement of thrift."

This is the declaration of the Republican national platform, and postal savings banks will without doubt be authorized by law and established as a part of our financial system by the action of Congress at its coming session, which will be convened in December. Indeed, much has already been accomplished towards the enactment of this law. At the last session of Congress a bill was carefully prepared which met with the approval of the Postmaster General, and was reported upon favorably by the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads This bill is now on the Senate calendar and can be acted upon as soon as Congress is convened.

The scope of the proposed law is set forth in the committee report, which is in part as follows:

Committee Report.

The purpose of this bill is to place at the disposal of people of small means the machinery of the Postoffice Department to aid and encourage them to save their earnings. The subject of postal savings banks or depositories is not new in this country and it may be truly said to be quite familiar to the people of Europe and the British colonies. The propriety of establishing postal savings banks became the subject of discussion in England as early as 1807. Every objection to such use of the postoffice facilities urged in this country was vigorously pressed in the ong-continued discussion of the subject in England.

For over fifty years private savings institutions waged bitter opposition to the growing sentiment in favor of postal savings banks, but notwithstanding such opposition in 1861 an act of Parliament was passed entitled "An act to grant additional facilities for depositing small savings with the security of the government for the due repayment thereof." That the alarm of private institutions was ill founded is amply proven by the recorded fact that the private savings banks increased their capital by more than ten millions of dollars in the first fifteen years following the establishment of postal savings institutions.

That the postal savings institutions proved successful is satisfactorily attested by the fact that no backward step has ever been taken in England on this subject and by the further fact that in rapid succession the lead of

England was taken by other countries. The primary purpose of these institutions is to encourage thrift and a saving disposition among the people of small means by placing at their disposal in every part of the country ready facilities for the depositing of small sums, with absolute assurance of repayment on demand with a low rate of laterest on a limited aggregate amount.

Postal Savings Banks Needed. In certain parts of our country savings institutions are sufficiently numerous to accommodate the people, but such areas are quite limited, being confined to New England and New York. It is alleged that by reason of the number and location of savings banks there is one savings account to every two of the population of New England, whereas in all the country outside New Ena bad bitterness not yet wholly ob- gland and New York the average is only one savings account to every 157 of the population. Taking such figures to be approximately correct and recognizing the fact that the people of all sections of this country are pretty much the same in habits, inclinations, and purposes, it must be obvious to the most casual observer that the people of the South, the Middle West, and the West do not save their earnings as do those of New England from the mere want of secure places in which deposits may be made.

To those who feel inclined to believe that the establishment of postal savings depositories will involve an element of paternalism it seems quite sufficient to suggest that the machinery of the Postoffice Department is now in existence and will continue to exist without diminution of expense whether such depositories are created or not and that the establishment of these depositories for the benefit of the people will not involve one farthing of loss to the Post-Office Department, but citizenship and honest religion when will probably, on the contrary, prove more than self-sustaining. Very slight computation will clearly demonstrate that the postal savings depositors can not burden the Post-Office Department with any additional deficiency.

If I am elected President, I shall urge upon Congress, with every hope of success, that a law be passed requircepting Presidential nomination.

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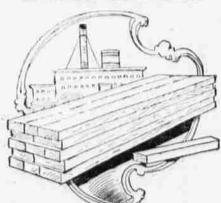
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of Custer County, Ne braska. In the matter of the Estate of Nicholas Smets, deceased. The State of Nebraska, to Creditors of sa d

The State of Nebraska, to Creditors of sa d Estate:

Take Notice, that I will sit in the County Court Boom, in Broken Bow, in said county, on the 36th day of October, 1908, and the 26th day of March 1909 at 10 o'clocka, m., to receive and examine all claims filed and presented against said estate with a view to their adjustment and allowance.

The time limit for the presentation of claims against said estate is six months from the 21th day of Sentember, 1908, and the time limited for the payment of debts is one year from said date.

Dated Sept. 21, 1908. A. R. HUMPHREY [SEAL] 16-19 County Judge.

16-19 County Judge [SEAL]

N THE DISTRICT COURT OF CUSTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA Thomas McGrath

Jane McGrath
The defendant, Jane McGrath, will take notice that the plaintiff on the 17th day of September. 1908, filed his petition in the district Court of Custer County, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds of extreme crucity, practiced by you towards plaintiff.
You are required to answer said petition on or before the 2nd day of November, A. 19, 1908.

Thomas McGrath, by his Attorney.
ALPHA MORGAN,

NOTICE OF PETITION. Estate of Peter A. Hoffman Deceased, in Estate of Peter A. Hollman Deceased, in County Court of Custer County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, To all persons interested in said estate, take notice, that a petition has been filed for the appointment of William R. Morehouse as administrator of said estate which has been set for hearing herein, on Oct. 10, 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Dated Sept. 12, 1908.

[Seal]

A. R. Humphrey

A. R. HUMPHREY 15-18

SHERIFF,S SALE. Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an order of sale, issued to me from the District Court of Custer County Nebraska, upon a decree of foreclosure rendered in said court, at the May 1908 term thereot,

said court, at the May 1908 term thereof, to-wit:

On the 14th day of May, 1908 in favor of the Newcastle State Bank and against Jacob Thuil et al.

I have levied upon the following described real estate to-wit: The west half of the west half of section eight; the southeast quarter of section seven; the east half of the northwest quarter of section seven; the section seven; the northwest quarter of section seven. All in

section seven; the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section seven. All in township fourteen north, range eighteen, Custer county, Nebraska.

And I will, on the 2nd day of November 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m. at the east door of the Court House, in the city of Broken Bow, Nebraska, in said county, sell said real estate at public acution to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said decree, interests and costs, the amount due thereon amounting to the sum of \$7911.60 with 10 per cent interest from May 14th 1908 and court costs amounting to \$63.35 and accruing costs. cent interest from may 14th 1808 and court costs amounting to \$63.35 and accruing costs. Said above described real estate will be sold subject to all prior liens and incumbrances, as per certificates on file in the District Clerk's office.

Dated this 1st day of October 1908.

H. F. KENNEDY. Sheriff. ALPHA MORGAN, Attorney

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT Maud Gleim, Plaintiff.

Nicholas Gleim, Defendant. Nicholas Gleim, Defendant. To Nicholas Gliem non-resident defendant: You are hereby notified that on the 1st day of October 1908 Maud Gleim filed her petition against you in the district court of Custer county. Nebraska, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds that you cruelly and inhumanly have treated her and that you became a habitual drunkard without any cause on her part: she also asks for the care custody and control of the minor children to wit: Nicholas Gleim and Raymond Gleim aged respectively five and three years and she asks that you be also enjoined from in any manner interfering with her in her rights after the divorce and while the action is pending.

You are required to answer the said petition on or before Monday the 9th day of November 1908 or default will be entered and decree rendered as prayed in the said petition MAUD GLEIM By N. T. GADD AND E. G'SCHWI 17-21 Her /

"Mr. Bryan was a professed bimetalist, but he has proven himself a tri-metalist. He coined American gold out of political brass while talking on free silver."-(Chas. H. Sloan, of Geneva, Neb., addressing the Taft Ratification Meeting at Beatrice on

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Friday, June 26.)

The following proposed amendment to the constitution of the State of Me-braska, as hereigniter set forth in full, is submitted to the electors of the State of Mebrasha, to be voted upon at the general election to be beld Tuesday, November 3rd, A. D. 1908:

A JOINT RESOLUTION to propose an Amendment to Section 9, Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Ne-

brasks:

Be it Resolved and Enacted By the Legislature of the State of Neoraska:

Section 1. (Amendment.) That at the
general election for state and legislative
officers to be held on the Toesday succeeding the first Manday in November.

1908. the following the electors of the submitted to the electors of the state as an amendment to s. c. o. . A. cie 8 of the constitution of the State of Nebraska;

state as an amendment to see ... A. cie s of the constitution of the State of Nebraska:
Section 9. (Educational Funds, Invostment.) All funds belonging to the state for educational purposes, the interest and income whereof only are to be used, shall be deemed trust funds held by the state and the state shall supply all losse, thereof that may in any manner accrussion that the same shall remain furiolate and undiminished; and shall not be invested or loaned except on a trial States or state securities, or registered school district bonds of this state, and such other securities as the legislature may from time to time direct. And such funds with the interest and income thereof are hereby solemnly pledged for the purposes for which they are granted and set apart, and shall not be transferred to any other fund for other uses.

Section 2 (Ballots: Adoption.) That at said election in the year last, on the ballot of each elector voiling thereal there shall be printed or written the words: "For proposed amendment to the Caustion with reference to the investment of the permanent school fund." And if a majority of all voters at said election shall be for such amendment, the same shall be deemed to be adopted.

Approved April 5, 1907.

I. Geo. C. Junkin, Secretary of State, of the State of Nebraska, do hereby certify that the foregoing proposed amendment to the Caustion shall be deemed to be adopted.

Approved April 5, 1907.

I. Geo. C. Junkin, Secretary of State, of the State of Nebraska, do hereby certify that the foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Nebraska, as appears from said original bill on file in this office, and that said proposed amendment is submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Nebraska for their adoption or rejection at the general election to be held on Tuesday, the 3d day of November, A. D. 1908.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska. Done at Lin-

of November, A. D. 1998.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska. Done at Lincoln, this 15th day of July, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eight, and of the Independence of the United States the One Hundred and Thirty-third, and of this State the Forty-second.

GEO. C. JUNKIN, Secretary of State