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NATIONAL ASSETS OF AMERICA DEPEND ON STABILITY OF OUR COMMON FAITH

THEN THE EARLY Americans, immigrants and children of immigrants all, declared for freedom and fared forth to battle against a mighty foe, it was a principle around which they rallied. This principle was the culmination of an idea that had grown and ripened as the colonies grew, that all men are created equal and endowed with inalienable rights to be free and pursue happiness as far as their God given talents will permit in conformity with such laws and regulations as they may set up themselves by means of a REPRESENTATIVE form of government. This principle gave birth to a new FAITH which changed the subjects of tyrants into conquerors, and by the same token knit them together in a common bond. Through this Faith they began to visualize a new nation, molded and fashioned upon this principle and sustained by their Faith in one another, each an integral part of the whole. Around it all they threw a cordon of hope and aspirations, and studded it with tears and prayers. They resolved that one prayer is as good as any other, coming from a contrite heart, and that there should be no denominational lines so long as they shared with one another a common Faith in God and in the cause they were espousing. When they hoisted the symbol of their Faith to the masthead, they swore an oath of allegiance which is sacred and which none but a profligate will ever dare to defile. In that hour the virile and untainted patriotism of this new nation was born and in the name of a common God denominator, AMERICA, glorious and mighty in emancipated ideals, went over the ramparts.

If to disseminate the gospel of Faith is a proposition paying large dividends in national security, then those engaged in transplanting it into the hearts and minds of the millions of immigrant people gradually ambling through our gates to citizenship, are not receiving adequate compensation for their genuine labor of love.

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