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PUBLIC UTILITIES offer, as a rule, the safest and best investments. Seldom, indeed, does this journal recommend the purchase of stock in any enterprise. Every reader will acquit us of any suspicion of promoting speculative propositions, such as oil stock, shares in mining prospects, and the like. Having made the discovery of a gilt-edged investment opportunity, however—one certain to return large profits, with permanence and safety assured—it is a public duty to tell everybody about it, especially because the enterprise is sure to increase greatly the general prosperity of Portland, the metropolis of Oregon and financial center of the Pacific Northwest.

**Build Bridge of the Gods**  
This gilt-edged investment opportunity is the famous Bridge of the Gods, to be constructed at the Cascade Locks, about 45 miles from Portland, on the Columbia river. The site of the structure is that of the famed natural bridge, which, according to Indian tradition, once spanned the great river at that point, and which fell in early days in a convulsion of nature. The scenery surrounding the bridge-site is magnificent.

The shores of the States of Oregon and Washington thus will be connected, linking the two incomparable highways—Evergreen and Columbia, and opening up for home-folk and tourists a matchless paradise of scenery, parks, springs, hunting and fishing resorts and home sites.

**Some Notable Facts**  
The Bridge of the Gods will be of cantilever type, 1,500 feet over all from highway to highway, 145 feet above the water. The main span will be 705 feet in length—probably the largest west of the Mississippi. Having no draw, two-fifths of the maintenance expense thus will be eliminated, increasing the profits of the stockholders. It is a fact that about two-fifths of the expense of the average interstate bridge over navigable rivers is that imposed by the draw. Two toll collectors are all the help needed here—one at each end of the bridge. Two young women or boys could do the work.

**Safety Absolutely Assured**  
In considering an investment, these things are paramount: The need of the enterprise, the safety of the investment, feasibility, low cost, overhead, and profits. Everyone recognizes the imperative need of this bridge, and that it is entirely feasible—an easy work of engineering, with all the problems worked out. The pier on the Oregon side already is completed, at a cost of about \$29,000.

All toll-bridges are profitable, some earning as high as 300 per cent. Inter-city and inter-State bridges, like those of Pittsburgh, Pa., and East St. Louis, Ill., usually start as toll-bridges and are enormously profitable and eventually are taken over by the State or city as public utilities, all stockholders being generously reimbursed. No one ever loses on one of these investments. One of the largest toll-bridges ever designed is to be constructed between Detroit, Mich., and Windsor, Ontario, at a cost of fifteen million dollars, and the backers declare it will pay large dividends.

**Ownership of Company**  
The Bridge of the Gods Corporation is capitalized at \$400,000, all common stock, now offered for sale at one dollar a share, with a minimum sale of fifty shares, forty per cent cash down and the balance payable in 30, 60 and 90 days. The final cost will be about \$600,000, which includes a bond issue of \$200,000, these bonds being subject to call and to be retired as soon as possible. Ninety per cent of all money from the sale of the securities will be paid into a trust fund, which has been created, of which the Lumbermen's Trust Company is trustee, until the sum of \$100,000 cash is on hand, which will absolutely assure the construction of the bridge, making the enterprise safe beyond any risk.

The desire of the Corporation pro-

motors is to distribute the stock as widely as possible because the greater the number the more boosters and advertisers of the bridge there will be. The whole tourist world will know about the Bridge of the Gods within a year or two after it is opened but the stockholders want to give it a tremendous send-off from the opening day. It will be a mecca of tourists from far and near.

**Prospective Earnings**  
Stock in this toll-bridge ought to earn net from 15 to 25 per cent from the start, and greater returns, progressively, with the normal increase in resident and tourist travel.

This bridge will connect Portland with the rich and productive Yakima Valley—a famous breadbasket region of Washington, about 75 miles long and 10 to 12 miles wide. This bridge, in connection with the system of graded highways, will shorten the distance from Yakima to Portland about 85 miles, which means an enormously increased business between Yakima Valley and the metropolis of the "Oregon Country."

For this reason alone, every business man and intelligent citizen of Portland and its trade territory ought to get busy and do their utmost toward the building of this bridge, which will put money into everybody's pocket and a feeling of contentment in everybody's heart.

**Opportunity Knocking Now**  
Remember what Ingalls said about Opportunity, which knocks at least once at every man's door. This is the kind of opportunity he was thinking about. Everyone who can spare the money for a gilt-edged investment ought to acquire some of this stock. It is a sure winner. We have no interest in the enterprise, except a sense of public duty in promoting something constructively for the common good.

Animated by the same motive, every newspaper in Oregon, especially those of Portland, ought to tell the people about it and give free space for the necessary advertising. All will be richly repaid in greater prosperity and common growth.

**Where to Apply for Stock**  
Anyone wanting further detailed information, with a view to buying stock, should apply to T. Ure Williams, Fiscal Agent, Room 325 Henry Building, Portland, telephone BR 2908. Mr. Williams needs no introduction or recommendation in the Portland community. He is able and absolutely square.

**The Big Men Behind It**  
The Bridge of the Gods originally was undertaken as a public duty by Captain George C. Allen, of Fishers Landing, Wash., (on the Columbia above Vancouver). Captain Allen, who is widely known as a successful business man of sterling character, was imbued with the spirit of patriotism, an earnest desire to help do something monumentally great for his home community. The selfish idea of profits never occurred to him. He is the life and soul of the enterprise, serving as Secretary and dubbing himself, sacrificially, "the Corporation's Official Goat."

Judge A. L. Miller of Vancouver, Wash., a well known and eminent jurist, is a man like Captain Allen, serving as President of the Corporation. The Trustees, who will serve until the next annual meeting of the stockholders are the following well-known and reliable men: Judge Miller, Captain Allen, J. R. Harvey, the lumberman (with offices in the Gasco Building); Alva Lee Stephens, known to everybody worth while as "Big Steve"; and Fred L. Gifford, whom many thousands of Oregonians revere and trust.

Now you have all the essential facts about the Bridge of the Gods, which is in every respect a gilt-edged investment opportunity. Get busy and grab some of the stock while it is available. There will be none for sale after the construction work is started, and the stock sale will probably be ended within sixty days.

## LOOK OUT FOR SLY KAMELIA GRAFTERS

R. Y. Clarke, former employee of The Klan, enriched by such employment, discredited traitor and alleged infamous criminal, together with another discredited official, who proved himself a weakling, grafter and traitor, still are trying to promote an alleged woman's organization under the Jesuit name "Kamelia," associating it falsely with The Klan, and for which a traitorous publication called "The Searchlight" is the "official organ." These men have no standing in The Klan, having violated their obligation in many different ways, and no attention should be given to their false claims to leadership and authority. When a woman's organization is formed, it will be announced by Imperial Wizard Dr. H. W. Evans—the supreme executive head of The Klan.

Friends of the school and supporters of education to be logical must be against priestcraft.

Uncle Sam, or the pope; which?

# TEMPORAL POWER OF THE POPE CHALLENGED BY GREAT LEADERS: MUSSOLINI'S STATUS REVEALED

BY RAOUL MARTINO

The anti-Fascist discussions in the April Congress of the Roman Catholic Party at Turin have had their repercussions in Rome. Not only Don Sturzo's open challenge to the dictatorial tendency of Fascism, but the order of the day proposed by De Gasperi and passed by an impressive majority of Congress, roused the ire of Mussolini and his associates. De Gasperi favored the continuance of the representatives of the Roman Catholic Party in the Fascist Government, but on the clear understanding that Fascism would operate within the parliamentary regulations, that it would not seek to change the electoral laws to its own advantage, and that it should recognize the right of the Roman Catholic Party to life and liberty.

As soon as these pronouncements were known in Rome, Mussolini summoned to the Chigi Palace the three representatives of the Roman Catholic Party holding portfolios in his Cabinet—Cavassoni, Gronchi and Milani—and asked them bluntly just what the action of the Turin Congress meant. The result was they placed themselves at his disposal. They would go or they would remain, according to his pleasure.

But Mussolini was not so fast for their going. He knows that it is a serious affair to permit the Roman Catholic Party to be set definitely against him in this hour. Already he has made plenty of enemies. He is conscious that the sentiment of the country is far from being favorable to him as it was six months ago. He said he would await an official expression of the Roman Catholic deputies. The deputies were called together and after long discussion, 70 out of 110 voted for collaboration with the government, the extreme right and the extreme left of the party refusing to vote. That is, the Roman Catholic deputies did what their Turin Congress did, voted to cooperate with Mussolini but on their own conditions.

It is generally understood that in this latest move of the Popular Party (Roman Catholic Party) Don Sturzo has the backing of the Vatican. This is a change from a year ago. Then Don Sturzo's political influence was so great that the Vatican seemed not averse to seeing the Fascist take him down a bit. Beyond this, the Vatican may have thought to reach more quickly its great and long sought goal by the way of Fascism rather than with Don Sturzo and his adherents. Mussolini in power, the Vatican accepted graciously all that he offered—his declarations of good will, the rehanging of the crucifix in the Government schools, the catapaulting of Masonry, obligatory religious instruction, and so on. But the Vatican waited in vain for the proffer of the prize of prizes—the reestablishment of the temporal power of the Pope. Mussolini was most profuse in his encomiums for the Church, most friendly in his approaches to the hierarchy, but he never came across with the big sack.

In Vatican circles the feeling gained ground that Mussolini's friendliness was not sincere, but purely a political game. He would never concede the one great thing they are after, namely, the temporal power. By open and avowed protestations of devotion he would seek to show the uselessness of a separate political Roman Catholic Party. When he had put the Roman Catholic Party out of existence, he would then deal with all Vatican pretensions as best suited his own policy, always holding the Pope in a secondary position politically. For the development of his imperialist program Mussolini would use the Vatican and accord it certain privileged rights and honors, but the head of his imperialist would never be the Pope.

Don Sturzo prepares for the fall of Mussolini. Today this fall does not appear to be imminent; at the same time, it appears probable within a reasonable length of time. Does the Vatican now reckon that with Don Sturzo Premier it will be within near reach of its cherished goal? It seems so. The Vatican waits and wears. It refused the third of a loaf that Crispi offered. It makes the same gesture to the offerings of Mussolini.

The first of this April the Austrian Chancellor, Seipel, a Roman Catholic priest, came to Rome to consult with the government authorities on matters of interest to the two countries. After his conversations with the Italian

government he proceeded to pay his respects to the Pope. But Pius XI would not receive him. He thereupon left Rome for Montecassino, passed the Sabbath in the quiet retreat, celebrating mass in the parish church, and then made a new journey to Rome, going direct to the Vatican, where he lodged and was received in audience by the Pontiff. To the casual outsider this seems like foolish play, but not so does the Vatican regard it. There it is all a part of a long, fixed, serious plan of procedure.

The official organ of the Vatican, Osservatore Romano, speaking on this subject April 17, said: "It is necessary that in the Pope we should find not only the reality but also the undeniable evidence of absolute liberty and independence, freedom from every power, nation or government. No one could reasonably fear the subservience of the Holy See to any nation, for example, the Italianization of the (Roman) Catholic Church which French anticlericalism now discusses."

It is not enough that the Pope be free. His freedom must be apparent to all and to this end his home should not be on alien territory, where he might be suspected of exercising his sovereignty under some particular pressure. This is the point that Pius XI emphasized so clearly in his encyclical, *Ubi Arcano*, saying, "The origin and the divine nature of our sovereignty must be held in mind. The inviolable right of the consciences of the millions of the faithful in all the world demands that this sacred sovereignty be and appear to all independent and free of every human authority and law, even a law which provides for guarantees."

The last reference is to the Law of Guarantees passed by the Italian parliament in 1871.

As I write the morning papers announce that Mussolini has accepted the resignation of the Roman Catholic members of his government. Thus the issue is clearly drawn between him and Don Sturzo. The major issue is, of course, that of representative government against the dictatorship. Don Sturzo has chosen well his ground.

In his communication to Cavassoni, the Roman Catholic Minister of Labor, Mussolini said in part: "I hold that it is not worth while for me to spend time and strength trying to understand a proposal that has been engineered by the extreme elements of your left wing. I asked for a clear statement. I now find myself before a document rather involved and which in substance does not modify the action of the Congress in Turin, said Congress having been anti-Fascist."

Thus Mussolini accepted Don Sturzo's challenge to battle. As I have said, the major issue, in the form in which Don Sturzo has presented it, is democracy against military autocracy. But the Vatican's main interest in the struggle is occupied with the outcome for the real or woe of the old Roman question, the temporal power of the Pope.

## THE UNSELFISH SPIRIT.

Bane of all fraternalities is selfishness, twin evil of fear, parent of woe and crime. The Klan teaches, above all, the priceless value of an unselfish spirit, for without it we are as "sounding brass and tinkling cymbals."

Why is Fred L. Gifford of Oregon so greatly loved and trusted by his fellow-men? Because he is unselfish, always kind, and ready to lay down his life for a friend. Men in the mass will storm the gates of hell for a leader of this type. The power of such a chieftain never wanes. He goes on and on to greater heights of opportunity, for service to others is his only thought, the welfare of others his only concern. This explains why Portland Klan No. 1 has become famous and powerful throughout the land. The reputation is due to the leadership of a godlike man—the kind that makes history in national emergencies. Gifford for the Senate! This is a general suggestion, but the answer from all quarters is: "Too big for the job."

Did you go to church Sunday? If not, why not? Go to church next Sunday, and show your church that it has your help. One minister who is a member of a small town Klan reports that his attendance has increased more than 100 per cent since he became a Klansman three months ago and that Klansmen caused the increase.

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