

### IOWA SCHOOL CASE IN SUPREME COURT

#### Teaching of German on Appeal in Washington.

### LANGUAGE STUDY ARGUED

#### Learning of Foreign Tongues Not Dangerous, Says Attorney for Plaintiff.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 28.—Iowa's foreign language act of 1919, prohibiting the use of any language except English in all secular schools below the eighth grade, was attacked in the supreme court today in a case brought by August Bartels. The case presented many contentions recently raised before the court in two cases from Ohio, which the court now has under advisement, and is to be followed by other cases from Nebraska, in which broadly similar questions are raised under the laws of the state.

Admitting that Iowa could validly prohibit the instruction of children in any except public schools, Charles E. Pickett, counsel for Bartels, insisted that private and parochial schools which complied with all the requirements of the compulsory education law of the state could not be prohibited from teaching additional subjects, provided the standard required under the compulsory education law was maintained. Bartels taught German in a Lutheran parochial school for religious purposes, to enable the children, Mr. Pickett asserted, to join the parents "at a common altar" for worship with them "in a common language." Contending that a child may be taught in a private or parochial school with the consent of its parents any harmless subject, he insisted that the state could not prohibit Bartels teaching reading in German.

### State Hearing Denied.

He denied that the state courts had correctly held in Ohio, Iowa and Nebraska that there was a "woeful amount of ignorance among children of foreign parents who are taught in parochial schools, and that ignorance of English on the part of citizens of foreign extraction had retarded the functioning of the melting pot." There was no foundation, he insisted, for the charge that private and parochial schools in which foreign languages are taught are likely to be disloyal, or impart instructions inimical to the best interests of the country.

Replying to an inquiry from Justice McReynolds as to whether the state could not require all children to attend public schools, Mr. Pickett insisted that such a regulation would not prevent such children from attending private or parochial schools at the close of their classes each day in the public schools.

The teaching of foreign languages is not harmful, he asserted, either to public morals or public safety. When Mr. Pickett suggested that the occupation of teaching was legitimate, Justice McReynolds interposed, "but not to teach anarchy." When teaching was restricted to text books, Mr. Pickett replied, it cannot be classed as anarchy, because the text books meet the requirements of the state.

### Language Study Defended.

Knowledge of a foreign language has long been considered desirable by most civilized people, Mr. Pickett declared. It has been encouraged by governments from ancient times, he said, and the Iowa statute does not discourage it, he added, after the eighth grade, although it does prohibit it below that grade.

This brought from Justice Sutherland the question whether a state had not the right to restrict subjects to be taught children in tender years. Justice Holmes asked whether a state, taking notice of a large foreign immigration, might not take steps that might reasonably be expected to assist them to acquire English. Justice Sutherland also asked if states could not restrict the teaching of languages where state jurisdiction in such matters is maintained in all branches of study the standard prescribed in the compulsory education law. Mr. Pickett replied, additional study in other branches which are in no wise harmful cannot be limited.

### State Attorney Present.

Children who are prohibited from studying foreign languages in private and parochial schools, like those in public schools, were free, he said, to study languages under private tutors.

Assistant Attorney-General Flick of Iowa represented the state, but did not present an argument, stating that the state was willing to submit the case to the court in briefs and in arguments which were presented in the Ohio cases.

### RESUE FRANCE, IS PLEA

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pleated for the purpose of describing us. They have not paid us and we have been unable to pay our own obligations. Go through the schools of Germany and you will find that they are teaching hatred of the French. Go to our schools and colleges and universities and you will not find one man who would not consider it something to be distinguished and not to the interest of his own people to preach hatred toward Germany.

### Alliance Declared Made.

He reiterated his assertion that Germany had as allies in her designs for war the Russians and the Turks.

"I am not saying that this is coming tomorrow or when it is coming," he continued. "But I am simply giving you warning. I see that your government does not seem to be afraid in this direction and does not look that way. But in France we do. And I think that when we show you—when we catch in the act Germans hiding arms and secretly violating the treaty by securing artillery and guns in Russia, you will understand our fears. They are to be used how? Why, against us. There cannot be anybody else.

"Also we come to this point: That the war was waged only for a certain kind of peace; that peace was obtained, but it was not put into execution, and nobody can tell whether it will remain or not. And those who are interested in not bringing about the execution of that peace—the Russians, who made the treaty of Brest-Litovsk, which was treason against France, and the Turks, who prolonged this war by at least two years, who were, with the Germans, our worst foes—are preparing for—not us, not call it war, if you do not want to, but let us call it interference in middle Europe.

"Now, my friends," he concluded, "I am going to leave you. But not

without returning to the words with which I began. My message is peace. I hate war, although it gave me some of the highest joys of my life, but I am ever in favor of peace.

"France does not wish for war. I wish you could see the French peasant on his farm, want with war?"

"Talk to him about dominating the world and he would not know what you are talking about. Why, in my village, when a young man wanted to marry a young woman who lived in the next village, whose steppie you could see, she would be called a foreigner. Our bourgeoisie want to work, they don't want to fight. We all want to attend to our business. We do not teach hatred of Germany or of anyone. We are not concealing guns and cannons in the soil.

"The French people are a good people. We do not fear to fight—that is quite different, but we do not fight for the pleasure of dominating.

The Tiger was introduced by Brigadier-General Charles G. Dawes, formerly director of the budget, as "one of those great figures whose memory will span the centuries and live through the ages."

**Speakers Not Muzzled.**  
General Dawes, introducing General Clemenceau, drew a laugh when he referred to the storm in the senate over M. Clemenceau's outspoken utterances.

"We have never muzzled our speakers—we are not senators weighed down with official dignity and prerogatives," General Dickinson remarked.

He was interrupted by a burst of cheers when he added a moment later that no one "objected to the Tiger's scream when he strode dauntlessly up and down the battlefield encouraging the soldiers of France."

General Dickinson received round after round of applause when he pleaded the cause of France and urged the setting up of an alliance by United States and Great Britain to defend her against unprovoked attack.

He expressed the hope that the Tiger would be able to "melt these cold oblivion" and bring America into alliance.

General Dawes, introducing M. Clemenceau, referred to the fact that France's casualties in the world war exceeded the total mobilized strength of the United States army in France and at home, and turning to the Tiger, assured him America would never forget the sacrifices France made.

### CHURCHES SPLIT ON PLAN

#### Movement Well Considered and Intense Campaign Proposed to Put Measure Through.

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Immediate opposition to the plan has been declared by pastors not identified with the organization. Almost from its inception the proposed amendment is imperiled by the split sentiment within the churches and religious societies. Unbelievers will have time to hold their fire.

### Campaign to Be Organized.

The proposed amendment has been drafted by the executive board of the Bible fellowship. R. L. Edmiston of Spokane, president of the fellowship, has announced that a call soon will issue for a meeting of Protestant church leaders to form the plan of campaign at Olympia. A two-thirds vote of the membership of both houses of the legislature was announced for tomorrow, Friday and Saturday, by W. A. Bolt, local county agent. N. C. Jamison, dairy extension specialist of the college, will be in the county and will discuss the feeding problems of the breeders.

### Crowd Thunders Approval.

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"In these days of political trimmers," the general continued, "when our politicians want to discuss only those facts which please us, we want the man who believes what he says and says what he thinks.

"What is the trouble all over the world in the discussion of these great international questions? It is because the politicians of the times want to discuss those things which please their people and those things only; and that is the reason why, in international discussions, the positions of nations are so often like the positions of children."

Recalling his memories of the thrill that came to the troops when Clemenceau—the Tiger—was made premier and the subsequent heroic deeds of the French, he concluded: "You need not fear that with that knowledge, and with the knowledge that France has been invaded every 50 years for 100 years, America or the world will regard your claims of the right to self-protection as a demand for empire."

### TIGER PRODUCES RECORDS

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### Klamath Levy Increased.

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### FIGHT TO GET BIBLE IN SCHOOLS STARTS

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the public schools," he said. "Reading the Bible by one who does not himself believe in it would be harmful."

### DAIRY FEEDING TOPIC

#### Lecture-Demonstration Planned for Today at Wilsonville.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 28.—(Special.)—One of a series of lecture-demonstrations being given in the county by specialists from the state agricultural college, co-operating with the county agent, was announced for tomorrow, Friday and Saturday, by W. A. Bolt, local county agent. N. C. Jamison, dairy extension specialist of the college, will be in the county and will discuss the feeding problems of the breeders.

The slogan which the dairymen have adopted as their eleventh commandment is: "Feed, Weed, Breed and Advertise."

The dates and places of the sessions this week follow:

Wednesday, 10 A. M., Wilsonville; 2 P. M., Needy hall, at Needy.

Friday, 10 A. M., Springwater Grange hall; 2 P. M., Boring.

Saturday, 2 P. M., Redlands school house.

### Other Announcements by Mr. Edmiston Indicate that the movement already has been well considered.

Legislative headquarters for the Bible fellowship will be established in the First Presbyterian church of Olympia with Rev. Thomas H. Simpson in charge. Rev. W. S. Pritchard, executive secretary, is at the head of what a political organization would call a speakers' bureau. It is up to him to provide speakers to fill all engagements throughout the state.

### Unitarians Oppose Measure.

Closely following these announcements and also coming from Spokane is the declaration of Dr. Eugene Milne Cosgrove of the Unitarian society that "the question of having the Bible in the public schools is simply another attempt of dogmatic orthodoxy to throw dust in the eyes of the people."

"Hands off!" cries Dr. Cosgrove. "Under the illusion of having the Bible introduced in the schools because it is a part of world literature, these people hope to bring the youth of our country to embrace the dogmas of their neo-Christianity because they have failed to do it in any other way. If it is simply a question of literature, will they be willing to put in the schools the Catholic version of the Bible, which is even better as a literary production, since it contains the Apocrypha?"

With somewhat less belligerence Rev. Harry P. Olson also takes an opposing stand.

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