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BE KIND TO DUMB ANIMALS.

This month occurs the annual conference of the greatest American society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Delegates will be present from all states in the union and Dr. Stillman of Albany, New York, one of our greatest humanitarians, will preside.

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THE COMPULSORY EDUCATION BILL

Some of our great Americans are being quoted in arguments against the compulsory School Education bill to be voted on at the coming election and the impression is given that they would be opposed to it.

We admit that a great American principle is involved and that it is well to consider the question on all sides and know where we stand. We deny, however, at the outset that there is any clear indication that such great Americans as Lincoln or Roosevelt, if they were living and were citizens of Oregon today, would be opposed to the measure requiring Oregon children to get their elementary training in the state public schools.

We rather have reason to believe they, like many others, would favor the movement on sound American principles of equality, protection and education for American citizenship.

Read what Roosevelt said which shows where he stood and would stand if he had a voice today on this issue:

"We stand unalterably in favor of the public school system in its entirety. We believe that English and no other language is that in which all school exercises should be conducted. We are against any division of the school fund, and against any appropriation of public school money for sectarian purposes. We are against any recognition whatever by the state in any form of state-aided parochial school."

It is well to realize that public sentiment changes and that well established and basic principles find new and broader application in the body politic. It was so in regard to slavery. It was so in regard to prohibition. Public sentiment develops along certain and sometimes unexpected lines.

Changes are demanded and brought about that years before no one would have thought right or possible. People opposed the anti-slavery movement on constitutional and religious grounds and grounds of property rights, etc. Prohibition was opposed on grounds of constitutional rights, and the argument of greatly increased taxes was put forward.

The public school is an American institution and should have the loyal support of all American citizens of all creeds.

President Harding has said: "Public instruction is the basis of citizenship, and is of primary importance to the welfare of the nation."

The purpose of the proposed bill is simply to provide that all children up to the age of 16 years shall be taught in the public schools. This means they will learn a common language and a common history; that American institutions will be perpetuated, and the coming generation be taught to honor and defend those institutions.

The chief opposition to the bill comes from Catholic sources. It is only natural that it should be so. They have long had a monopoly in the education of their children. They have long belittled the American public schools. The chief object of their schools is to teach catholicism. Everybody knows that. They do not welcome and in some cases resist state inspection and supervision of their courses of study and educational practices.

Judging from their history and the well known condition of countries long under their domination there would be little general education in this country if the schools had been under their control.

We do not wish to belittle the Catholic schools. We believe that in this country especially they have come to see the need of having their children educated and are teaching a measure of patriotism. But they have been compelled to do some things that are not native to their thought or system.

In everything their church as a church is put foremost, not their faith as a faith. This is why their church is more or less of a political character and, as such, is foreign to American soil.

The following is taken from the Astoria Catholic Monthly, credited to Archbishop Glennon:

"For us, in our own time and country, the teaching of the last Plenary Council of Baltimore is LAW and MANDATE, quite clear and definite. It is THE LAW, in full force today. It makes mandatory on each pastor to build a Catholic school in his parish, and at the same time it requires that children of school age of Catholic parents shall attend either the parish school or some other Catholic institution. Parents who fail in this without grave reason are deemed UNWORTHY TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS."

"The safest, in fact, the ONLY place for the Catholic child's education is the Catholic school, extending from the kindergarten to the University."

Do not these official utterances of the Plenary Council of Baltimore clearly prove that the Catholic church is bitterly opposed to our public schools, and is it not a full justification for the initiation of the bill?

We do not believe the animus back of the proposed measure is opposition to the Catholic on account of his faith. It is not designed to deny to him, or any other, any constitutional right of religious liberty. The Catholic family, or church, will still have the same opportunity as any other American family to teach the children the doctrines and history of the church and all other things that go with a parent's influence in molding the character and beliefs of his children.

It has long been felt there is an equality existing. Imagine a Protestant applying for a position in a Catholic school. Yet there are Catholic teachers constantly seeking positions in the public schools although the attitude of their church is unalterably opposed to the public school as an institution. There are instances of Catholic sisters conducting public schools and, of course, appearing before their pupils in the garb of a sister of mercy. Why should this be allowed?

This is a free country. You will laugh at the boast! You will say how can it be when you seek to require all children to attend public schools. Yes, it is a free country. Perhaps it has been too free for its own good in some respects. Madame Roland said, O Liberty! what crimes have been committed in thy name. It is a free country, but you can't keep slaves; you can't deal in intoxicating liquors. Shall we add: You can't send your children to un-American schools. It can still be a free country and yet require that its children, its prospective citizens, be trained for life's activities and citizenship in its own free public institutions without the ever-present, over-shadowing, dominating influence of this or that religious sect, idea or language, foreign to American ideals, customs and welfare.

At present, while the private schools are few and small, is the time to make the change proposed by the public school bill.

COSTS. No tax will be levied for years to come, as the bill does not take effect until September, 1926, and no tax then if the amendment is in the courts for several years.

When all attend our free public schools the additional cost will be slight, for the overhead will be the same. Most of the children will find a place in existing classes and the added expense to the average taxpayer will be nominal. The great benefit to our nation will be worth many times the small cost.

Now is the time to pass this measure, insuring that in Oregon all of our children will be educated to a common patriotism, common ideals and a unified allegiance to our institutions.

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