

**OUTLOOK CORRESPONDENT BRANDS SCHOOL BILL AS AN UN-AMERICAN MEASURE**

To Editor of the Outlook:—The supporters of the School Bill insist that it is not a religious measure, at the same time they cannot argue the question five minutes without bringing catholicism into the question. Con the pages of history and we find that Catholics have ever been in the van of human progress. Had there been no Columbus, "Old Glory would not now wave over the land of the free and the home of the brave." It was her Catholic Majesty, Queen Isabella, who took from her imperial bosom the jewels with which to buy a world—who exchanged the pearls of the Orient for the star of Europe." The Catholic church found England a nation of barbarians and brought it up, step by step, until Catholic barons wrung from King John at Runnymede the great charter—the mother of the American constitution. Catholic Spain held the torch of progress and civilization for 200 years. From the very foundation of this government the Catholics have been its firm defenders.

Their wisdom and eloquence have adorned its councils from the signing of the Declaration of Independence to

this good day. Nine Roman Catholics signed the Declaration of Independence, and the Catholics of New York contributed so liberally of their blood and treasure to the cause of the newborn nation that Washington wrote them a letter praising their patriotism.

Every battlefield from Lexington to Flanders Field has been wet with Catholic blood. Catholic soldiers wore the blue and the gray. Catholic soldiers fell side by side on San Juan Hill. Thousands of Catholic soldiers, brave and true, sleep side by side with their Protestant comrades on the poppy field of France. In the galaxy of fame we find the names of Sheridan, Sherman, Old Pep Thomas, the Rock of Chickamauga, Marshal Foch, the idol of France, is a Catholic. Father Damien, a young Catholic priest, gave us the grandest example of human sacrifice for other's sake that this world affords. Even Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane, "If it be possible, let this cup pass from me." But Father Damien pressed a cup even more bitter to his own lips and drained it to the dregs and died for the sake of suffering mortals a death to which the cross were mercy. Yes, it was Father Damien who went into that leper colony on a small

island in mid-Pacific ocean to minister to those benighted creatures and he knew that he would never see his native land or friends again. He knew that he would suffer a thousand deaths and yet he made the supreme sacrifice. "We are all brave men when the war-drum throbs and the trumpet calls us to do battle beneath the eyes of the world—when touching elbows with our fellows and clad in all the glorious pomp and circumstance of war we seek the bubble of fame e'en at the cannon's mouth, when the music of the battery breeds murder in the blood, the electric order goes ringing from the line, is answered by the thrilling cheer, the veriest coward drives the spur into the foaming flank and plunges, like a thunder bolt, into the gaping jaws of death."

"But when a man was wanted to go forth alone, without blare of trumpet or drum, and become a life prisoner in a leper colony, but one in all the world could be found equal to the supreme test of personal heroism, that man was a Roman Catholic priest."

The Catholics have helped put Old Glory in the heavens and keep it there for nearly 150 years, and yet some of the bigoted defenders of this school bill would deprive a Catholic of the privilege of worshipping God according to the dictates of his own conscience, would deprive him of the privilege of holding any public office in this land he has helped to make safe for democracy. All this talk about intrigue to get supremacy in the affairs of our government is buncombe. There is just as much selfishness and human nature in one group of our citizens as another and personally I am not willing to turn this democratic institution of ours over to any one creed, political party or fraternal group. All have had their part and all are doing their part

to keep the wheels of progress moving forward, all are equally entitled to all the honor and emoluments coming out of our democratic system of government. Any attempt to debar an American citizen from the honors and emoluments of a public office because of his religious faith, or non-faith, is a flagrant violation of a fundamental principle of this republic.

This school bill violates the Golden Rule and the teachings of Christ. Therefore it is un-Christian. It destroys individual privileges. Therefore it is unconstitutional.

As an economic factor it adds materially to the burden of taxation. It virtually destroys millions of dollars worth of property, drives good citizens from our state, prevents good people from coming here. It will drive millions of dollars of capital out of our state and also keep it from coming in.

Let some one call me a Catholic, and since it seems to be the fashion to give a chronological survey of one's genealogy, I will depose and state that I am a Protestant in faith, American born. One of my grandfathers was born in Pennsylvania of German descent, the other was born in Virginia of English extraction. One of my grandmothers was born in Virginia, also English, the other was born in Kentucky of Scotch-French extraction. My ancestors, so far as we know, outdate revolutionary times, they have pioneered from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the gulf to the Canadian border. Three descendants were slain by the Indians in the Whitman massacre.

In the name of Old Glory and the Constitution, my fellow citizens, I appeal to you to call your ballot against this non-American measure. Vote 315 No. G. N. SAGER.

**GRESHAM MAN GETS JAIL SENTENCE**

The following item, dated October 27, has been received from Vancouver, Washington:

Willard Ramesbotham of Gresham, Oregon, was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail and fined \$250 recently in superior court when he pleaded guilty to a charge of transporting 82 pints of moonshine over the Interstate bridge into Washington. The charges against Frank Armstrong and his 18-year-old wife were dropped because of insufficient evidence. Ramesbotham has not paid his fine and may have to serve it out.

Ramesbotham, the Armstrongs, and the three-months-old baby of the latter were all lodged in the county jail here a few nights ago.

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The results of the campaign against the so-called Compulsory Education Bill, which is in fact a *Bill to Establish State Monopoly of Education*, may be grouped under two heads:

**Facts demonstrated**

1. The FACTS DEMONSTRATED, no longer seriously disputed by anybody, are these:  
That the Bill was given a False Title, to mislead the public and deceive the voters.  
That it in no respect pretends to improve the existing law as to the Public Schools, but simply destroys the Private Schools.  
That not one cent of public money goes to the support of any private or parochial school in this State, or even has, or ever can, under the plain prohibition of the Constitution and laws.  
That it will increase taxation at least \$1,000,000 each year, and require from \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000 investment in new public school buildings.  
That it vests in the County Superintendents arbitrary and unappealable power to grant special privileges to the wealthy and influential by which they will be exempt from the law.  
That it will prevent parents from educating their children in private schools both inside and outside of the State, as they cannot even send their children elsewhere to be educated.  
That so far from being united in support of the Bill, the Masonic Fraternity in the State is divided, many of the leading Masons are openly opposed to it, and the Grand Master of the State Grand Lodge has publicly denied that the Grand Lodge endorsed it.  
That the best elements in the social, religious, educational, and political life of the State are opposed to the measure.  
That the educational leaders, inside and outside of the State, are opposed to the Bill. Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, of Columbia University, says: "It should be called a Bill to render the American system of education impossible in Oregon." The Presidents of Yale, Princeton, Chicago, Leland Stanford and other great Universities have emphatically condemned it.  
That the private schools, under the existing law, are required to conform their course of studies to the public schools standards, the English language is made compulsory, and they are subject to the inspection and supervision of the State authorities.  
That the proposed law will close up every orphan asylum, home for defective and dependent children, and other private charities, where any elementary instruction of the inmates is attempted.  
That it destroys the rights of minorities, the most vital and valuable principle of Americanism, and the one that has preserved this country from the tyranny of Old World Governments.

**THE ARGUMENTS UNANSWERED** against the bill are contained in the "Voters Pamphlet" issued by the State. The chief points of the same are as follows:

Upon the foregoing statement of the case we invoke the fair and intelligent judgment of the voters of Oregon, confident of the result if a regard for the inherited and fundamental principles of reasonable liberty are to prevail in this state.

CATHOLIC CIVIC RIGHTS ASSOCIATION OF OREGON  
By Dudley G. Wooten,  
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