

Italy Divides on Marriage Form

Religious vs. Civil Wedding the Issue

GOVERNMENT INSISTS THAT A CIVIL MARRIAGE MUST PRECEDE ALL THE WEDDINGS IN CHURCHES

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ROME, May 22.—Civil marriage with its consequential divorce, race suicide and juvenile criminality, of religious marriage with its indissoluble family, healthy birth rate and religiously trained children.

This is the question, on which all Italy is rent asunder at the present moment as it has never before been divided in the entire 50 years of its national existence as a united nation.

Not only is its entire social strata thus torn in twain, but perhaps more than half of its thinking population is firmly convinced that Italy is now standing at the cross roads about to choose the path that will lead either down to the racial extinction now menacing France or the continuation of the hearty growth in population which ever marked it in the past.

This critical situation has just been precipitated by the introduction of a law in parliament making it a criminal offense for a priest or other ecclesiastically authorized person to perform a religious marriage ceremony until the couple has first been married according to civil ceremony and laws of Italy.

A divorce clause has also been incorporated in this law and against the two there is an unprecedented storm of protest from every quarter of Italy. Of the two, however, divorce and civil procedure in matrimony, the Vatican is making the hardest fight against the latter.

Previous to the overthrow of the Papal States in 1871 by the present kingdom of Italy, marriage amongst the Italians had been largely if not purely a function of the church. With the constitution of the present Italian nation it was made a civil institution.



POPE PIUS X.

Any one who so wished, and as a matter of fact, practically every one did so, had the right to have both a religious and civil ceremony and could have either one or the other performed first. The civil marriage, however, was the only one recognized by the Italian law and was the only legal marriage in the eyes of the Italian courts.

Owing to the large Catholic population of Italy, however, it developed that there were thousands who considered the religious marriage ceremony as quite sufficient and never troubled themselves about the civil one. Not only were these regarded

CHURCHES MAINTAIN THAT IT WILL GIVE RISE TO RACE SUICIDE AND MORE DIVORCES THAN BEFORE

as illegal unions by the Italian law but the possibility of a religious marriage gave rise to certain conditions which Italy felt it necessary to stop. Up until a few years ago, for example, an officer of the Italian army could not marry unless his bride had a certain dowry. To get around this, then, the couple merely had a religious ceremony performed, which while not being recognized by the state, was quite sufficient for them and for their families.

Only a few months ago, General Amelio, the hero of Italy's conquest of Tripoli, had his civil marriage performed after having been married religiously for over 20 years, and after having raised a large family of children. The civil marriage legitimized, in the eyes of the Italian courts, his children which otherwise would not have been the case.

The Vatican is convinced, however, that the law making obligatory the precedence of the civil ceremony over the religious one means the death blow of the latter in Italy. It means, the Vatican says, that few if anyone, will trouble themselves about the religious ceremony once they have been legally married by the civil authorities.

This, it is argued, will then mean the waning of the influence of the church in marriage and the placing of the institution on the purely civil basis which it occupies in France and other countries where divorce and the destruction of the sacredness of family life is declared to have become a national menace.

In support of the argument, and the inevitableness of the consequences which the Vatican declares must follow, it points out that the proposed law has already resulted in the taking on of a divorce law which otherwise would never have been introduced in parliament.

The Vatican itself does not prohibit divorce but permits it only for very limited and grave occasions. The securing of a church divorce means also years of litigation before the Vatican law courts and the process is such that the creating of a divorce evil or abuse is quite impossible.

With the making of divorce a civil institution, however, the Vatican insists that the doors will be thrown down to all of the evils which followed a similar course in France and which it declared has sapped the life out of that nation.

At the present moment there is every indication that the question will be the hardest fought one in the entire history of the Italian parliament with the possibility that it may even result in an overthrow of the present ministry, the dissolving of the present parliament and the election of a new one.

SAY FARM AGENT OF GREAT VALUE

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SAYS HE SUPPLEMENTS ALL OTHER EXTENSION WORK THAT CAN BE DONE

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The county agent continues to be the leading topic of discussion among the progressive farmers. Despite the convincing experience of many states that the county agent idea is the greatest boon that has come to agriculture in decades, farmers continually ask the Department of Agriculture:

"Is the agent needed?" The Department devoted pages in its current "Farm Management Monthly" to prove that he is needed.

It replied to the criticism that the farm press, the institute and the bulletins meet the situation satisfactorily by stating that the purpose of the agent is not to take the place of any other form of extension work but to supplement and help all other forms.

Instead of one institute a year, as at present, with the agent there can be twelve and he can help the farmers apply the lessons of the institutes. The expert agent can apply the teachings of the bulletins and the farm press. He can see that these are sent to farmers who need them.

YESTERDAY'S COAST LEAGUE RESULTS

	R.	H.	E.
Oakland	6	6	2
Portland	8	11	0
Geyer, Ramey and Mitze; Krause and Fisher.			
Los Angeles	1	5	3
San Francisco	0	9	1
Ehmke, Boles; Fanning, Clarke 11 innings.			
Sacramento	1	6	1
Venice	4	7	0
Gregory, Hannah; Decanliere, Bliss.			

Housekeeping rooms, near bridge.

Legal Notices

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that I have this day been appointed executor of the last will and testament of Clara E. Moore, deceased. All parties having claims against the said deceased are required to present them to me at the office of my attorneys, Messrs. Kuykendall & Ferguson, in the Leomis building, in the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon, within six months from the first day of May, A. D. 1914. All claims must be accompanied by proper vouchers as provided by law. Dated this 30th day of April, 1914. CHARLES WILLIAM MOORE, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Clara E. Moore, Deceased. 30-7-14-21-28 s

Notice to the Stockholders of the Klamath Water Users' Association: You are hereby notified that pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors of the Klamath Water Users' Association duly made and entered on the minutes of said board

Presbyterians Plan a Radical Reorganization

United Press Service

CHICAGO, May 22.—A radical reorganization of the home missionary board of the Presbyterian General Assembly was the chief discussion among the 800 odd delegates who are in Chicago today from all sections of the United States and a number of foreign countries. The assembly will be in session for ten days.

Insurgents in the Presbyterian church are determined to reorganize the home missionary board so that it will be of more service, according to Oliver R. Williamson, in charge of the general arrangements for the assembly, which is being held at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, the pastorate of Rev. John Timothy Stone, the retiring moderator. The claim has been made, Williamson states, that the home missionary board has become so centralized, and so unconstitutionalized that the churches and home mission field has had no voice in the politics of the church. It is to correct this condition, that the progressive element in the assembly

wishes to overhaul that body, he claimed.

At this session, the 126th annual meeting held by the Presbytery of this country, it is expected that the way will be paved for the Rev. E. P. Hill, of the McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, to succeed the veteran secretary of the home missionary board, the Rev. Charles L. Thompson, who, it is reported, will retire in June. Dr. Hill admitted today that he had been approached on the subject of filing Dr. Thompson's place, when the latter resigns.

There is widespread interest in the election of a moderator to succeed Rev. Dr. J. T. Stone. For many years various parties and groups have gone to the assembly with vigorous political campaigns for the election of particular candidates. But at last year's assembly at Atlanta, Georgia, a sudden reaction came from this political wire pulling, and since that rebuke was administered, delegates said today, there have been no open moves made by any groups to "put over" a certain candidate.

held in the association office, rooms 17 and 18 Maddox-White building, Klamath Falls, Oregon, Saturday, March 28, 1914, the call for the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Klamath Water Users' Association was made, and that said annual meeting will be held in the Houston Opera House, Klamath Falls, Klamath county, state of Oregon, Friday, the 5th day of June, A. D. 1914, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day.

That the purpose for which said annual meeting is called is for the election of a board of five directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may regularly come before said meeting.

You are further notified that at said annual meeting the following amendments to the by-laws of the Klamath Water Users' Association will be submitted for your acceptance or rejection, to-wit:

That section one (1) of article four of the said by-laws as amended be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Revenues necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes of this association shall be raised by an assessment thereof from time to time as required upon and against the share holders. No assessment shall be declared by the board of directors to be delinquent within less than thirty days after the time for levying the assessment.

That section two (2) of article four (4) of said by-laws be amended to read as follows:

Section 2. No subscription of stock shall be accepted unless accompanied by the full payment of an amount in money equal to all assessments previously levied by this association on lands subscribed thereto, and the previous assessments herein referred to shall be determined by taking the aggregate of all assessments heretofore levied by this association. Assessments paid on shares of stock cancelled at the instance of the association within three years after April 1, 1905, for the reason that the land to which said shares are appurtenant is non-irrigable from the system owned or controlled or to be owned or controlled by the association shall be refunded to the holder at the time of cancellation; provided, however, that the association may execute releases upon the approval of the secretary of the interior for all lands heretofore subscribed to this association where such lands are not deemed irrigable from the irrigation works now constructed by the United States of America or their successors in interest upon payment of all assessments heretofore levied by this Association.

Said improvement to be done under contract, and bids will be opened and considered on the 25th day of May, 1914. Bidders will be required to submit their proposals upon blanks prepared by the city engineer, and no proposal will be considered unless so submitted. Blanks may be obtained either at the office of the Police Judge or city engineer.

Said improvement to be completed within twelve months.

The successful bidder will be required to give bond in a sum to be fixed by the common council, for the faithful completion of such improvement. Each proposal to be accompanied by a certified check, certified by a responsible bank, for 5 per cent of the amount bid, as a guarantee that the successful bidder will enter into bond and contract with the city of Klamath Falls, within ten days from the date of the award.

The city reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to make such improvement itself.

By order of the common council. A. L. LEAVITT, Police Judge of the City of Klamath Falls, Oregon. 4-30-524 b

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Summons
Equity No. 577
In the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Klamath.

Richard Melhase, Plaintiff,
vs.
R. C. Spink (also known as Robert C. Spink), A. L. Spink (also known as Alice L. Spink), and M. L. Mayers, Trustee; and P. Lowengart, M. Seller and Sanford Lowengart, Defendants.

To M. L. Mayers, Trustee, Defendant above named:

In the name of the state of Oregon, you are hereby required to answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action, on or before the 5th day of June, 1914, that being the day of the last publication of this summons, and the last day within which you are required to answer, as fixed by the order of publication of this summons.

If you fail to appear and answer, plaintiff will take judgment and decree against you as prayed in his complaint.

This suit is brought to foreclose the mortgage given by the defendants, R. C. Spink (also known as Robert C. Spink) and A. L. Spink (also known as Alice L. Spink), to Richard Melhase, plaintiff, on April 28, 1911, to secure the payment of the two promissory notes of said defendants, dated on said April 28, 1911, for sixteen hundred and sixty-six and sixty-seven one-hundredths dollars, each, due one and two years after said date, respectively, with interest at 8 per cent per annum from date, and providing for reasonable attorney's fees, and upon the following described real estate in Klamath county, Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at the south-westerly corner of lot two (2) in block eighteen (18) in the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon, formerly Linkville, thence northerly along the line of lots two (2) and seven (7), two hundred forty (240) feet to Pine street; thence easterly along the southerly line of Pine street twenty-five (25) feet; thence southerly and parallel to the westerly line of lots two (2) and seven (7) two hundred forty (240) feet to the northerly line of Main street; thence westerly along the northerly line of Main street twenty-five (25) feet to the place of beginning, in the city of Klamath Falls, formerly Linkville, Oregon, above described premises fronting and abutting on Main street 35 feet and Pine street 35 feet.

And to have declared junior, inferior and subsequent to plaintiff's said mortgage the mortgage made, executed and delivered to you by said defendants, Robert C. and Alice L. Spink, on April 29, 1913, upon the same premises as those covered by plaintiff's mortgage as above set forth, and to have your mortgage lien and all right, title and interest which you, or any of said defendants, may have in the mortgaged premises barred and foreclosed, except the right to redeem as provided by law.

No personal judgment is demanded against you in said complaint. This summons is published once a week, for six consecutive weeks, in the Evening Herald, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the city of Klamath Falls, Klamath county, Oregon, by order of Honorable Henry L. Benson, judge of the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Klamath, and dated April 24, 1914, the first publication of this summons being made on the 25th day of April, 1914.

STONE & GALE, Attorneys for Plaintiff. 25-2-9-16-23-30-6h

Notice for Publication
(Not Coal Lands)
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Lakeview, Oregon, March 5th, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that James D. Grimes, whose postoffice address is Klamath Falls, Oregon, did, on the 21st day of March, 1913, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 06489, to purchase the SW 1/4 NW 1/4, W 1/2 SW 1/4, Sec. 11, and NE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 10, township 39 N., range 10 E., Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised at a total of \$400, the timber estimated at \$10,000 board feet at \$1 per M., 400 juniper posts at 5 cents each, and the land at \$170; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 22d day of May, 1914, before C. R. DeLay, county clerk of Klamath county, Oregon, at Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or within a contest at any time before the patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

JAS. F. BURGESS, Register. 2-41 b

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