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THE ENEMIES ADVANCE SILVERTON CATHOLIC CHURCH

Silverton now is Building a Masonic Temple and also a School of Ignorance and Superstition Called the Catholic Church --These Two Opposing Camps, Which are Springing Simultaneously into Existence, Show us that the War is on Here in Earnest--It is as one of the High Masonic Officials has Said, "There Can Be No Compromise."

In an excellent location in the city of Silverton the enemy is erecting another fort to shoot to pieces the common sense of our people, to raze-daze our business men into helping support what they detest, to gather up the dimes, the nickles and the pennies to perpetuate their fraud, to prevent and destroy our fraternal orders, and to help capture every branch of our government and to finally Catholicize America.

Of course the ignorant dupes who furnish the funds and the muscle to build this temple of ignorance do not know, will not investigate and can not understand.

For some time a young priest-agent of this unAmerican, traitorous, political power has been here with his collar wrong side to and many a business firm outside of the ranks of Rome has been forced (of course they would deny this) to hand over their cash or take what they too well know is the consequences. When it comes to business the old harlot has the best business man in America "skinned a mile." Even in Silverton, high up Masons are said to have donated liberally. Now what do you think of that? Dear friends of American principles, lovers of liberty, workers for righteousness, we see our finish unless you rally to our help. For the

sake of justice, for the sake of the good we can do, for the sake of keeping our beloved country from being Mexicanized "come over into Macedonia and help us!"

This fight against the beast is not merely a newspaper battle. It is not a battle of words. There is a great army of actual traitors of this republic. They are getting a great foot hold here on the Pacific coast. Our people are naturally hospitable and believe in giving everybody a chance, which ordinarily is right enough, but as a people we do not realize what it means. In the older countries such as Germany, they had to learn their lesson and it took years and years before they sat down on the Pope's open aggression and positive declaration of the ownership of the world and all the people in it. Silverton will be only a recruiting station for this black handed "inner circle" who uses her own ignorant people as cats paws and will enslave the whole world if we let her do it. Let it be perfectly understood that we are friends to the lay members of the Catholic church. We love them. It is not their fault in the least that they have been swindled and mistaught, most of them even before birth. Others in other lands and by other tyrannical powers have been used the same. But to save them and to save our selves, to save America

and to save the world from the most damnable blight of ignorance, superstition, usurpation and exploitation we must be as uncompromising as the Hierarchy and its imaginary hell, as active as their bachelor agents in securing their gross desires, as well posted as their Tumulties, their chief Justice and other judges, and then, with the real patriotism and love of humanity, that they can not possibly possess, we will free Silverton and Oregon, America and the world. Patriots, there is only one thing that can possibly save America. It is what Rome does not, can not possess. It is what Virgil calls "The Noblest Motive." It is "the public good." Peace is what we want, but there can be no peace in America as long as one wing of its greatest enemy is camped within our territory, continually strengthening its forts and preparing for the final struggle. Charles Sumner truly said, "From the beginning of our history the country has been afflicted with compromise. It is by compromise that human rights have been abandoned. I insist that this shall cease. The country needs repose after all its trials; it deserves repose. And repose can only be found in everlasting principles."

American citizens, shall we compromise with the enemies of freedom and lose our American principles and our America forever?

A SPLENDID ANSWER ROMANS OWN FAULT

The Catholics of Some Sections are Claiming to Fear Persecution, but if They will Attend to Their Own Business Nothing in the World will Hurt Them.

In reply to a letter signed by William Muench, president of the Federation of German Catholic Societies, addressed to the New Age Magazine, protesting against the defense of patriotic publication of the country against the Roman hierarchy, Bro. George Fleming Moore, 33d, editor, makes the following answer, this answer being the best exposition of the facts as they exist. The Gavel would recommend its most careful perusal.

"This letter, emanating, as it seems to do, from an association of our German fellow citizens who profess the Roman Catholic form of Christianity, and who appear to be alarmed lest a campaign of bigotry should be waged against their religion, demands attention from every one who believes in toleration and religious freedom.

The position of the editor of this magazine on the Roman Catholic question has been stated time and again from the first numbers of this periodical up to the present time. We have no quarrel with any man's religion. He was taught moral philosophy by Dr. Wm. H. McGuffey of the University of Virginia, who did not hesitate to tell his classes that much as he disliked the 'errors of the Roman church, if he lived where there was no other Christian church he would join it.' Scattered through the pages of this magazine there will be found nothing savoring of bigotry or bitterness on our part toward the Roman Catholics or their religion. On the contrary there will be found a large number of expressions in which appreciation is given to the good points of that church and its members.

But the editor is a Freemason, charged with the duty, among others, of informing his brethren of the order about the enemies which are within it and without. The Roman Catholic hierarchy—the Clericals—have been the pronounced and bitter enemies of Freemasonry since the first bull or Pope Clement was issued against the society in 1738. So far as we are aware the society has never done anything which merits the heavy condemnation put upon it by the priestly power. We have in our library many books which are full of lies and slanders against the Society of Freemasons written by Roman Catholic prelates. No protest from us seems to be of any avail. If it is proven to them that we have nothing in our books or rituals except that which make for virtue and righteousness we are told that we are not in the secret and that there are certain 'black degrees' which are of the devil. It is the old story of the wolf and the lamb in the fable. The wolf and the lamb were drinking from the same stream, and the wolf angrily ordered the lamb to stop muddying the water for he could not drink muddy water. The lamb, meekly, of course, replied that he could not be muddying the water because he was drinking out of the running stream down stream from the wolf. 'Nevertheless,' said the wolf, 'you are muddying the water, and I shall eat you for it.'

We admit the existence of the Menace with its 1,000,000 circulation and the existence (for many years) of the American Citizen and of the Liberator, and while their methods are not those which we have pursued in discussing the clerical attitude in this country, we believe that the 'bigotry' of which Mr. Muench complains has its origin in the political activity of the Roman Catholic clergy, the secret and other Roman Catholic church societies, and that the force and strength of the movement among the people of this country is due to the strong belief:

1. That no practical, consistent Roman Catholic can be a true and loyal citizen of this republic in case of a conflict between the power of our government and that of the Pope of Rome.
2. That the system of government of the Church of Rome is in direct conflict with the principles on which our state government and the government of the United States are based.
3. The present Pope of Rome has denounced the separation of church and state as a 'pernicious error,' thus denouncing one of the fundamental principles on which our government is based.

This magazine is not in favor of any movement which savors of bigotry or intolerance. The Order of Freemasons is opposed to all bigotry, in-

tolerance and spiritual despotism. If the Menace and the other periodicals mentioned in Mr. Muench's letter are really urging a campaign of bigotry or intolerance we as Freemasons are not with them nor can we be united with them in such a cause.

But we verily believe that it is the Roman Catholic church, its priests, its secret societies and its agencies which has provoked this attack, has caused these newspapers to spring into existence and to attack that church. We are informed of a case where a Mason of high degree who has served acceptably for several years as an officer of the United States and whose retention the man of both parties favor, and yet it is common talk that 'the Knights of Columbus will get him,' i. e., remove him from office. There is no religion in such movements, but it is politics.

The President of the United States, who is in the opinion of many able men the greatest chief magistrate this country has ever had, has provoked thousands of people because he has appointed a Roman Catholic and a Knight of Columbus to be his private secretary. We have heard Masons say that Mr. Tumulty is a very clever affable man and an efficient officer, but it is in the heads of many people that whenever any news is desired at the Vatican or to be gotten into the hands of the Roman Catholic priest-hood it will go through Mr. Tumulty's hands under a safe conduct. This may be wholly prejudice, but so it goes. It was said that thousands of letters went to the President protesting against the appointment of Mr. Tumulty, but without effect. When the President and the Secretary of State selected a Roman Catholic church in which to attend the Thanksgiving services, slighting and disregarding the Protestant Christian churches to which they belong, thousands of people are not to be convinced that they were not playing politics, and that the creation of the Thanksgiving mass was only a shrewd scheme to 'make America appear Catholic in the eyes of the Latin-American world,' and a part of the priestly game of politics which Archbishop Ireland virtually admits that the Roman Catholic prelates are playing. So clear is this that we have heard lifelong Democrats say that on this account they could never vote for either President Wilson or Mr. Bryan.

It is common talk that President Taft's attendance at the Thanksgiving mass and his alleged subservience to Rome was one of the causes of his overwhelming defeat. We are not stating that any of these things are true, for we do not know. But we know what people think and say, and we know that thousands of our people do utterly distrust the Roman Catholic in politics because they believe that his first allegiance is to a foreign power, a foreign potentate, who also claims the power to send its subjects to hell or to heaven as it desires. It is not 'bigotry' on the part of any Freemason or Masonic paper to resist the aggression of the Roman Catholic priests on his order. It is merely exercising the instinct of self-preservation. The French Masons of the Grand Orient are not recognized in this country nor in England. They changed their constitution so as to omit the formula relating to the Grand Architect of the Universe, not, they say, because they are atheists or materialist but because the Roman church was trying to crush them out of existence, and they desired to unite against it all the elements of independence and freedom in the republic. We are not competent to give the astute Italian politicians or princes of the Roman Catholic church any advice about how to remove these prejudices from the minds of American citizens. We can say, however, that no good judge of human nature can expect a great order like the Freemasons, when its members learn that the Pope is engaged in waging a 'battle against Freemasonry' throughout this country, to sit silent under imputations that our peace-loving and charitable society is in league with the devil and intent, on making war on Christianity."—The Gavel.

What is the only thing in the world that will make a father pawn his baby's shoes?

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW OF THE STATE

Information About Factories and Enterprises That Employ Labor and Matters Affecting the Development of Oregon.

(Compiled by the State Bureau of Industries and Statistics.)

During the past week final obstacles to conveying the locks and canal at Oregon City have been removed, and the Portland General Electric Co. has conceded the state paramount right to water.

Contract has been let for the new \$20,000 Grand Ronde hospital.

T. B. Breck of Vineland, N. J. will establish a grape juice factory in Oregon.

The complaint against the Cottage Grove Electric Co., has been dismissed by the Railroad Commission.

Hood River will vote on \$75,000 road bond issue July 15.

Laurelhurst, suburb of Portland, will have a new \$1600 catholic church.

Portland business men will submit a bill to amend the constitution to make single tax impossible in Oregon.

Mollala will get a \$10,000 water system pumped from well.

Salmon Mountain Mining Co., Curry County, has uncovered a ledge that assays as high as \$30,000 per ton.

The State Mining Bureau is to investigate the Lake county salt beds.

Oregon Manufacturers Association will ask for a law to give home industries a five percent preferential in public bids.

The State University School of Commerce just created will undertake a study of markets and industries and development of electric plant.

Construction of bridges by the Southern Pacific over Coos Bay, and across Umpqua and Siuslaw rivers will begin July 1st.

The Port of Umpqua will enlarge its boundaries in order to make needed improvements.

Water rates have been raised about ten percent at North Bend and Marshfield after investigation by the Railroad Commission.

Bandon voted to buy the local water plant and build a library.

Portland designs to span the railroad shops at Holgate avenue with a viaduct costing \$110,000, railroads to pay one half.

Brooks shipped a carload of loganberries a day.

The Georgianna, a new Columbia river steamer, has been launched at the Supple shipyard, Portland.

The Oregon Power Co., will supply the Booth-Kelly sawmill company at Springfield with 2,000 horsepower of current.

The Workmens Compensation Commission has appointed a chief medical expert and bought a skeleton for its main medical office.

Independence merchants demand establishment of a cannery.

Albany has let the construction of ninth street to the Asphalt Machinery Co., of Seattle, as part of the Pacific Highway.

Ashland voted \$175,000 bonds to pipe mineral water into city and build a sanatorium.

Hubbard has an artificial ice factory.

Eugene may get a box and egg crate factory.

Engineer Galvani of the Pacific Light and Power Co. will begin work at once on the new streetcar lines in Astoria.

Geo. Schoppert will build a cheese factory near Dolph.

The Crescent Manufacturing Co. of Seattle is contesting the validity of the Oregon Pure Food law against which many hotels and business men are protesting. The law is taken into the federal courts.

The East Oregon Lumber Co. will build a 120,000 mill at Enterprise.

Henry Albers of the Albers Milling Co. will tour South Africa for extensions of business.

The Townsend Creamery Co. has opened its new plant at Portland costing \$130,000.

A new creamery will be built at Hood River on the water front.

Under the meat inspection ordinance at Portland two inspectors have been appointed.

An Italian colony and Roman cheese industry are slated for Coos county.

James Tracy will erect a two story concrete at Oregon City.

Huntington is building a municipal hall.

If Hosmer don't let up the holy fathers are apt to turn Silverton into a rat hole.

CORRESPONDENCE

J. E. Hosmer,

Dear Friend:—

Enclosed find \$1.00 to help in your good work. I am already a subscriber and so expect no returns personally.

Would that we had more true American citizens who would take their stand for the good of America.

Right is Might. Evil often seems to be power but it is not, as there is but one power and that is God—good—and by doing our work right this will be demonstrated. One with God is a majority.

In Luke we read what Jesus said: Fear not little flock; for it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom."

Wishing you and your good wife success, I am,

A Friend.

Mr. J. E. Hosmer,
Silverton, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith Five dollars (\$5.00) to assist you in your fight against Rum, Romanism and Ruination. This is in answer to the appeal of your friend Leon L. Myers, whom I also admire for his "Backbone." I certainly regret to see so many Protestants in your community.

The extra dollar enclosed in the check is for two "subs" as follows:

I mail your paper to friends in different parts of the country and hope that you may yet lick the Devil to a frazzle.

Your truly,

Dexter, Oregon.

Mr. J. E. Hosmer,

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find \$1.00, if I can sell property here will make it \$50. My forefathers fought in the revolution and there is some fight in me.

Send Journal to following addresses

Very truly,

Mrs.

Brownsville, Minn.

Editor Silverton Journal:—

I wish to help you and I have thought that perhaps \$1.00 would cover the expense of sending a sample to the fifty names I enclose. I really hope that a number of these will help

you by becoming regular subscribers.

The copy I get I always forward to some one else and usually blue pencil the most important articles. If we all push a little y our load will become lighter. May God Bless You Abundantly, is my prayer.

Mrs. * * * * *

Newberg, Ore., * * * * *

J. E. Hosmer,

Silverton, Oregon.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed please find a check for \$1.00 to pay for two yearly subscriptions to the Journal. Send the papers to * * * * * Newberg, Ore., and to * * * * * Newberg, Ore..

I wish I could help you more substantially. I am a printer but out of a job. The Catholics of Newberg put an ad in the "Graphic" of this place and said that the supreme court had sustained the lower court and that the "Benedictine Sisters" of MtAngel were vindicated.

If they want to be truly vindicated they'd better open up their institutions for inspection like all protestant institutions are. Wishing you success, I am Yours Truly,

Jose h Langellier.

PHILOMATH BIGOTS.

Editor Journal: I recently received a copy of The Catholic Sentinel of Portland, on the front page of which, in bold letters in the head-lines was displayed the above title. It claims to be a report of a debate between two young men of this place, neither of which belong to any church, but who attempted to discuss the subject Catholicism a Menace as part of a literary program given by the societies of the college. The boys had previously been assigned to the negative side of the question but the affirmative did not have time to prepare so one of the negatives took the affirmative, and without much preparation tried to debate it. They had consulted priest Smith of Corvallis, and on the night of the program a representative of Smith was on hand to report. But few if any know of his presence, but as it happened he was seated among the judges. His imagination was at work very strongly and he reports that the judges were influenced by his presence and the "overwhelming force of truth." He also states that the negative speaker

was hissed from time to time by the audience.

Please let me state that these statements are absolute and deliberate falsehoods made up entirely from a diseased brain. The judges were influenced solely by the arguments and decided in favor of the negative, although it was against their individual opinions.

Now it appears to a reasonable thinker that those catholic people are extremely tender skinned, to take offence at such things. They don't seem to take kindly to public investigation. We wonder why. After all it is not strange. A church whose history smel's as strongly of blood and fire torture; which opposes free and universal education; which keeps its schools and nunneries and other institutions barred from public inspection; which upholds and protects lecherous bachelor priests on the assumption that they are too holy to have human passions; which holds the club of revenge over the heads of any person or institution that dares to criticize or investigate them, has reasons to be tender skinned. On a few days ago according to a Madrid paper, did the Spanish Knights of Columbus, called the "Requets," attempt to massacre an assembly of Christian Endeavorers in Barcelona. If these people don't want investigation and criticism, let them keep their hands off our schools, and government, open their convents and nunneries to public inspection, get on the right side of every reform movement, clean up their cesspool of moral infamy and prove themselves worthy of trust and confidence, and all war on them will cease at once. They alone are responsible for the war that is justly made on them.

Yours for truth,
One of the Judges.

The next book we expect to put out will be entitled "The Escaped Son of a Gun From Jail". Order early!

France and Germany made the priests eat dirt. What will America do?

Anybody who wants his or her soul saved should go to the big arsenal on the Butte. The holy dads know just how to pickle souls so that there is no danger of their ever spoiling. Before going to jail Hosmer is going to get the receipt.