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JUSTIFYING OUR FAITH

To the Editor of the Gazette, Sir: I noticed in yesterday's Gazette that you had one of your usual editors claiming for the Christian religion the credit for the progress of humanity, and particularly the advancement of labor during the past 2000 years. You are also forever ringing the changes upon the identity of democracy with Christianity. How do you get that way? Your lies in the bank—the pig, raw, green bank.

All right, then we wish to submit in evidence a remarkable document. It was given out last month by a group of labor leaders—not mere academic profs, but leaders of the Labor party in England. "It is our conviction," they declare in calling for the holding of special church services on April 25, "that statesmanship will fall and political programs will prove futile as a solvent of social trouble unless they embody the spirit and practice of Christ."

Those who have appended their names to the document include Ramsey MacDonald, Labor prime minister; J. Robert Clynes, former leader of the house of commons; Charles G. Arthur, former permanent secretary to the admiralty; Arthur Henderson, former home secretary; Philip Snowden, former chancellor of the exchequer; Ben Spoor, former Labor whip; George Lansbury, leader of the Labor party's left wing; Albert A. Purcell, former vice-chairman of the general council of the trade union congress; Ernest Bevin, general secretary of the transport workers' union; Arthur J. Cook, secretary of the miners' federation; Arthur Hays Sulzberger, president of the trade union congress; Ben Tillett, political secretary of the transport workers' union. The manifesto continues:

"Christ gave us the large and simple principles for the governance of our individual lives and the ordering of our relationships with others, which alone can produce a peaceable, harmonious and stable society. We are moved in no mood of emotional enthusiasm, but in a sober and serious spirit to make this appeal to our fellow-citizens of all classes, without regard to their political affiliations; that they cease the forces of greed, will, enlightenment, and generous feeling in a practical effort to embody Christian principles in their industrial and economic life.

"In attaching our names to this manifesto we proclaim our belief in the gospel of Christ as the final truth concerning the relationships of men one with another. "The challenge of our time is to the good will in men. To unite all our people who realize the need of spiritual regeneration, who perceive the dangers of the materialist trend of modern civilization, and who acknowledge the Christian conscience as paramount to political allegiances and class loyalties of every kind, is the principal aim of this movement.

We make no claim that our ideas about Christianity and the advancement of labor are original. But we do claim that when the most intelligent labor leaders in the world issue a manifesto like that just printed, a little country editor in a little country town has some reason back of his faith that the morality as a philosophy is the salvation of the world. We have to take the salvation of man's soul on faith. But the salvation of the world is demonstrable as a problem in logic. As soon as the world adopts Christianity it will be a better world. "I am the way and the truth and the life" meant as much for humanity as it means for the individual. Christianity is the fountain of democracy.—William Allen White in Emporia (Kansas) Gazette.

The Christian Science church justifies its expanding place in the religious life of the country on one count, and there are probably many others that can be advanced by the adherents of this faith. We refer to the cultivation of bible reading. The weekly sermons are predicated in part on bible verse, and Mary Baker Eddy's interpretation may not be any more accurate than yours but accepting the bible to be true this religion is fifty per cent correct which is above the average, we would say. In most churches the reading of the bible is the exclusive job of the preacher. Dust off the old bible tonight and read Proverbs and be surprised to learn definitely the maxims of Solomon apply and dovetail directly into the scheme of our present day problems.—Muriel P. DeFoe in the Charlotte (Mich.) Republican.

ANNEXATION ELECTION NOTICE To the qualified electors of the Township of Bloomfield and the Village of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan: Notice is hereby given that at the Spring Election to be held on Monday, April 5, 1926, there will be submitted to the electors of said Township and Village the question of annexation of certain territory to the Township of Bloomfield and the Village of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan.

The undersigned, pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 278 of the Public Acts of 1925, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation of Village and for revising and amending their charters and the acts amendatory thereto," respectfully represent as follows:

1. Each and all of the signers of this petition are qualified electors and reside within the Village of Birmingham or Township of Bloomfield, which said Village of Birmingham and Township of Bloomfield are to be affected by the change proposed in this petition.

2. Your petitioners severally reside within said Village or said Township at the address set opposite their respective names.

3. Not less than 25 of the undersigned petitioners reside in the Village of Birmingham, and not less than 25 of the undersigned petitioners reside in the Township of Bloomfield.

4. According to the last preceding United States census, the population of the Village of Birmingham was 3,694; the population of the Township of Bloomfield was 6,920. The

undersigned petitioners numbering collectively 76, constitute more than one per centum of the population of said territory to be affected by your affirmative action of this petition.

5. Your petitioners pray that all of that part of Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan, included in the following description, viz: Beginning at the S. 1/4 corner of Section 26, T. 2 N., R. 8 E., 122d Township, Oakland County, Michigan; N. 1/4 S. 1/4 Sec. line of Sec. 26, thence S. 89° 54' W. 211.03 ft., thence S. 89° 54' W. 211.03 ft., thence S. 89° 54' W. 211.03 ft., thence S. 89° 54' W. 211.03 ft., to the point of beginning. Containing approximately 2 1/2 acres more or less, be detached from the Township of Bloomfield and annexed to the Village of Birmingham.

I, Hazel E. Lawver, November 9, 1925, do hereby certify that I have examined the list of names on the attached petition for the Village, and find that the signers are residents of said Village of Birmingham.

(Signed) HAZEL E. LAWVER, Village Clerk, Birmingham, Michigan, 407 S. 122d St. This is to certify that I have examined the attached list of names on the petition with the registration lists, and find that 25 of the signers are registered and qualified electors of Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

(Signed) JAMES V. BAYLEY, Township Clerk, State of Michigan, County of Oakland.

Herbert Masters, being duly sworn, deposes and says, as follows: That he resides in the Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, and State of Michigan, and is one of the petitioners in the attached petition directed to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, and which said petition prays that the territory described therein, being part of the Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan, be added to the Village of Birmingham, which said Village of Birmingham and Township of Bloomfield are to be affected thereby; that each and all of the said petitioners are qualified electors residing within the Village of Birmingham, which said Village of Birmingham and Township of Bloomfield are to be affected thereby; that more than 100 said petitioners are qualified electors residing within the Village of Birmingham, which said Village of Birmingham and Township of Bloomfield are to be affected thereby; that the total number of said petitioners is not less than One Hundred (100) and not less than Seventy-five (75) of the signatures to this said petition were obtained from the Village of Birmingham, and not less than Twenty-five (25) of the signatures to said petition were obtained from the Township of Bloomfield.

Herbert Masters, being duly sworn, deposes and says, as follows: That he resides in the Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, and State of Michigan, and is one of the petitioners in the attached petition directed to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, and which said petition prays that the territory described therein, being part of the Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan, be added to the Village of Birmingham, which said Village of Birmingham and Township of Bloomfield are to be affected thereby; that each and all of the said petitioners are qualified electors residing within the Village of Birmingham, which said Village of Birmingham and Township of Bloomfield are to be affected thereby; that the total number of said petitioners is not less than One Hundred (100) and not less than Seventy-five (75) of the signatures to this said petition were obtained from the Village of Birmingham, and not less than Twenty-five (25) of the signatures to said petition were obtained from the Township of Bloomfield.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of November, A. D. 1925.

My commission expires June 2, 1926.

I, Burton P. Daugherty, Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the petition of the residents of the Township of Bloomfield and the Village of Birmingham, for the annexation of the territory to the Village of Birmingham from the Township of Bloomfield, as recited in the County Clerk, also Board of Supervisors as passed at their special session held on February 11, 1926, compared the same with the original and a true transcript thereof and of the original and a true transcript thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at Pontiac, Michigan, this 15th day of February, A. D. 1926.

BURTON P. DAUGHERTY, Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland.

Notary Public.

CHAS. E. FURBER, Notary Public.

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TROY TOWNSHIP CAUCUS. NOTICE is hereby given that a Township Caucus for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for Township Offices of the Township of Troy, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at THE TROY TOWN HALL Wattles Crossing at Main St. On Saturday, the 13th day of March, A. D., 1926 At 1:00 o'Clock P. M.—By Order of TROY TOWNSHIP BOARD, Garner Miller, Clerk.