

MR. TAFT'S POLITICAL ADMINISTRATION IS HIGHLY APPRAISED BY PRESIDENT-ELECT

Mr. Taft Declares That Present Incumbent of White House Has Awakened the Public Conscience During His Term of Office—Speaks in Philadelphia.

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Your attention to the present relation of each of the learned professions to politics and government. It seems to me that such a subject may well have interested for those who have finished an academic career and are looking about to select a profession for themselves.

Great Changes Here.

"Great changes have come over our methods of life since that day. Then the ministry, because of the rewards in the way of influence, power, and prominence, attracted the ablest of educated minds, and the ability and force of character were where power and influence resided. But the spread of education and independent thinking, the diffusion of knowledge and news by the press, the enormous material development of the country, the vast increase in wealth, the increase in the number of other vocations, the disappearance of the simple village life, have all contributed to change radically the position and influence of the ministry in the community.

Is Narrowest View.

"This, of course, is the narrowest view of the profession. Whatever the next world, we are certainly under the highest obligation to the present world, and the ministers should be the chief instruments in making this world morally and religiously better. It is utterly impossible to separate politics from the lives of the community, and the general personal and social business morality and political immorality are intimately debauched the whole community.

More Closely Touch.

"In two ways the minister is becoming more closely touch with politics and governmental affairs. In the first place, the modern tendency of government is paternal. Individualism is not dead, but the laissez faire school does not have its earnest and consistently held adherents now as it did years ago. We all recognize, I think, at least most of us do, that there is certain aid, there is certain protection that the Government is in duty bound, acting for all the people, to extend to a smaller number of the people whose circumstances and conditions forbid their looking out for themselves. Thus in the enforcement of health regulations, in the passage of tenement laws, child labor laws, establishment of orphan asylums and places of refuge for waifs, and in many other ways the work of the ministers in home missions brings him in contact with necessity for Government action, and he is heard, and is entitled to be heard, upon the policies of the Government in these regards.

Duty of Missions.

"These missions have the duty of representing the ideal of western Christian progress, and through them such progress is to be commended to the races whom it is hoped we may induce to accept that same civilization. The leaders of these missionary branches of the churches are now becoming some of our most learned statesmen in respect of our proper relations with the world. They are to be reckoned with by the men more immediately charged with the responsibility of initiating and carrying on such policies.

Increase Is Marked.

"So marked has been this increase in the importance of the medical profession in governmental agencies that the doctors themselves have organized a movement for the unification of all agencies in the Federal Government to promote the public health in one bureau or department, at the head of which they wish to put a man of their own or kindred branch of science.

members of his department should be endowed with.

"However this may be, it is becoming more and more clear that the extending of governmental duties into a territory covered by the profession of medicine is bringing physicians more and more into political and governmental relations, and we may expect that in the next decade they will play a far greater part than they have heretofore, and it is proper that they should.

Mentions Others.

"I may stop here to mention other technical professions like those of the chemist, soil expert, botanist, horticulturist, forester, meteorologist, and the student of general agricultural science, all of whom must be consulted and have been consulted in the improvement of our agriculture, and in that movement generally characterized as a conservation of our natural resources.

How Influence Is Felt.

"Another way in which the professional teacher may exercise great indirect political influence is in the encouragement that he ought to give to the young men of college age and life in the study and pursuit of politics. Every curriculum of every academic institution now includes the study of political economy, the study of sociology, the study of government, and often the study of constitutional law.

Writing Is a Profession.

"In many respects writing is a profession; in others, when it is reduced merely to the purveying and sale of news, it is a business. When conducted on the highest plane it exerts as much influence for good as the ministry, and has a wider range, and indeed has probably robbed the profession of part of its usefulness, because it has become a substitute for it with many persons and in many families. Its power of public instruction is very great, and when it panders to the vulgarist taste for sensationalism and becomes entirely irresponsible in respect to its influence for good and its statement of the truth its pernicious tendency is obviated only by the presence of a safe discrimination and a healthy skepticism and a clear understanding of its recklessness and baseness.

Color Sometimes Unjust.

"The unjust color sometimes given through jaundiced editors and correspondents has an injurious effect, but fortunately in the number of newspapers and in the variety of motives that affects those who write news such injustice is generally remedied. The great body of the people who have discriminating common sense are enabled to reach with considerable accuracy the truth of the matter and judgment in respect to political affairs.

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