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NEW BILL AGAINST FREE PRESS

Gallivan of Boston Would Silence Criticism of Papal Politics

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James Ambrose Gallivan, Roman Catholic member of congress from Boston, has again introduced a bill in the national House of representatives directing the postmaster-general to exclude Protestant and patriotic publications from the mails and thus destroy them without notice to the publisher and without opportunity to be heard and to make defense.

His bill is known as H. R. 13778 and reads as follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, that the postmaster-general shall make the necessary rules and regulations to exclude from the mails those publications the avowed and deliberate purpose of which is to attack A RECOGNIZED RELIGION HELD BY CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY RELIGIOUS ORDER TO WHICH CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES BELONG."

Like the Siegel and Fitzgerald bills, this measure would shield papal politics from public exposure by having an executive officer to destroy any publication, regardless of its pecuniary or moral value, which dares to turn on the light. Such is Roman Catholic justice and patriotism.

The Siegel and Fitzgerald bills were introduced by members from Greater New York with its millions of Roman Catholics, while this bill comes from Boston, whose prelate boasts 900,000 Roman Catholics in his archdiocese. In this vast numerical strength are included the illiterate hordes that have poured into those great cities in recent years from the Roman Catholic lands of southeastern Europe.

The Italian pope has shown his appreciation of this degraded element in our citizenship by raising the prelate in each of the cities mentioned to the rank of a prince or cardinal in the political system of which the pope himself is the SOVEREIGN PRINCE. While subjects of these princes are busy in congress trying to destroy freedom of the press and other basic principles of our free institutions, they are drawing many thousands of dollars annually in salaries out of the treasury of the United States.

Rome persists in throwing down the gauntlet to American patriotism. The duty of every true citizen of the republic is clear. We must kill all these papal measures so dead they can never be resurrected and then we must relegate to private life these minions of the despotism over which the pope reigns as sovereign prince. "Holy Name Societies" keep sending letters and petitions to congressmen demanding support of these bills. We must send vastly more protests against them. Following is a good form of petition:

To the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled:

We, the undersigned citizens of _____ in the State of _____

hereby earnestly remonstrate against the bills known as H.

R. 491, H. R. 6468 and H. R. 13778, and we respectfully petition your honorable body to defeat them for the following among other reasons:

1. They would vest large judicial power in executive hands.
2. They would destroy property without notice or process of law.
3. They are un-American and inspired by foreign influence.
4. They would destroy freedom of press.
5. Our postal laws now afford ample protection to the mails against matter obnoxious to the public morals or the public welfare.

THE MASK IS TAKEN OFF

Roman Catholics Warring on the Organic Law of the Land--What the Gallivan Censorship Bill Reveals

By R. O. FLOWER, President Free Press Defense League.

Congressman J. A. Gallivan has introduced a new postal censorship bill, which is admirably characterized elsewhere in this issue, by Judge Gilbert O. Nations.

There are several things about this proposed law that entitle it to special consideration.

In the first place it has the merit of frankness, something that is very refreshing because of its rarity in the professions of Roman Catholic political leaders.

The old subterfuge by which the Roman Catholic hierarchy, through its American Federation of Catholic Societies and other organizations, has sought in recent years to mask its assaults on freedom of religious discussion is for the moment discarded. In this bill we find no longer any hypocritical pretense of loyalty to the constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech, press and religious discussion.

The mask is lowered, and America is here given a vivid glimpse of Rome's deep seated hatred of some of the fundamental principles of our Federal Constitution.

Defiance of Our Constitution

Congressman Gallivan who is one of the most prominent Roman Catholic politicians of the diocese of Cardinal O'Connell, in his latest bill, shows his contempt for the organic law of our land and by the same token proves his loyalty to the foreign sovereignty on the Tiber, whose intolerance of freedom of religious discussion, as guaranteed by our constitution, has been voiced by all the popes down to, and including, the reigning pontiff.

Not only does this bill flout our constitutional guarantees but it emphasizes anew the papal preference for the Russian-like despotic bureaucracy to the orderly justice promoting democratic methods of trial by jury.

This bill is as true in spirit, to the history, the teachings and the practices of the papacy, as it is nakedly opposed to our constitution, and the principle of our free democracy as taught by Jefferson and other founders and upholders of this nation.

The last two popes made very clear their opposition to popular sovereignty or any democracy that did not recognize the overlordship of the Roman pontiff in religious matters, and all the popes and the Roman church have invariably been,

intolerant of religious toleration in any land where Roman Catholicism was dominant, moreover the last three popes, like their predecessors, resolutely demanded a union of church and state wherever and whenever Roman Catholicism became dominant, and they unequivocally condemned non-sectarian public education, such as has been one of the distinguishing glories of this republic. They condemned freedom of speech, press and research, and in other ways indicated the truth of Rome's age long boast that, *the papacy never changes.*

Ignis held by citizens of the United States or any religious order to which citizens of the United States belong.

Now compare this bill with the following from the organic law of our republic. The First Amendment to our Federal Constitution provides that:

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."

Also contrast this proposed measure introduced by the loyal subject of the papal sovereign, with these utterances of the author of our Declaration of Independence.

Democrat Versus Papist

"I am for freedom of the press and against all violations of the constitution to silence by force, and not by reason, the complaints or criticisms, just or unjust, against the conduct of their agents."

"Error alone needs the support of government. Truth can stand by itself. Subject to opinion to coercion: Whom will you make your inquisitors? Fallible men; men governed by bad passions, by private as well as public reasons. Difference in opinion is advantageous in religion. The several sects perform the office of a censor over each other. Is uniformity obtainable? Millions of innocent men, women and children, have been burnt, tortured, fined, imprisoned; yet we have not advanced one inch toward uniformity. What has been the effect of coercion? To support roguery and error all over the earth. Reason and persuasion are the only practicable instruments. To make way for these, free inquiry must be indulged; and how can we wish others to indulge it while we refuse it ourselves?"

"Reason and free inquiry are the only effectual agents against error. They are the natural enemies of error and of error only. Had not the Roman Government permitted free inquiry, Christianity could never have been introduced. Had not free inquiry been indulged at the era of the Reformation the corruption of Christianity could not have been purged away."

What Gallivan Wants

Here is Mr. Gallivan's bill known as H. R. 13778.

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Tells Why Chicks Die

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words, the freedom of religion, of speech and of press, inasmuch as whatever violated either, throws down the sanctuary which covers the other."

Abraham Lincoln wholeheartedly endorsed these fundamental democratic principles as enunciated by the great Virginia statesman, declaring on one occasion that "the principles of Jefferson are the definitions and axioms of free society."

Washington's Warning

Washington with the seer-like vision of a true prophet, feared the hour might come when the fundamental principles of liberty which the constitution sought to safeguard would be placed in jeopardy by foreign influences, hence, in his farewell address, as if he foresaw just such an attempt as the present to substitute the theories of a foreign sovereignty for the constitutional provisions of our free democracy, after observing that, "Interwoven as is the love of liberty with every ligament of your heart no recommendation of mine is necessary to fortify or confirm the attachment," he utters this prophetic and truly statesman-like warning:

"Against the insidious wiles of foreign influence I conjure you to believe me, fellow citizens, the jealousy of a free people ought to be constantly awake, since history and experience prove that foreign influence is one of the most baneful foes of our Republican government."

Mr. Gallivan has unwittingly performed an important service in this boldly and frankly setting forth the time honored historic position of the Church of Rome, in his bill which thus flouts our constitution and would deal a deadly blow to one of the most vital provisions of the organic law of the nation he has sworn to loyally serve.

Autocracy or Democracy

This bill not only frankly attacks the Federal Constitution, but like the Fitzgerald censorship bill and the measures introduced by the Tammany Democrat, Mr. Siegel, it attempts to substitute the despotic power of an autocratic executive official for the democratic provision for trial by jury, and thus is doubly treasonable to the fundamental principles of our free institutions.

This measure is a further object lesson in the nation-wide war being waged by the un-American Roman Catholic political machine to substitute the papal for the democratic system of government. Like the Fitzgerald and Siegel bills in congress; like the attempts of the American Federation of Catholic Societies and the Knights of Columbus to destroy patriotic papers through the courts; like the nationwide Roman Catholic boycott so industriously promoted by the American Federation of Catholic Societies; like the numerous exhibitions of criminal lawlessness and mobocracy which have disgraced this republic since the organization of the Knights of Columbus, in the Roman Catholic campaign against freedom of public assembly, and like the persistent war being waged against our public non-sectarian school system, the Gallivan bill proves the implacable hostility of the subjects of the sovereign on the Tiber to the fundamental principles of democracy and the great bulwarks reared by the fathers to preserve free institutions.

"Story of The Menace Trial"

We have just completed a booklet of sixty-one pages on THE MENACE TRIAL, held at Joplin, Mo., January 11, 1916, in which the Roman Catholic hierarchy attempted, through the Federal court, to exclude THE MENACE from the mails and imprison its editors and owners.

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CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS AND COLUMBUS DAY

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Wherever the Romish octopus extends its legs, trouble begins.

At the opening session of the congress on Christian work in Latin America, Dr. Porras, the president of the republic who was to deliver an address, met the opposition voiced by the Catholic bishop of the Panama diocese who declared the congress inimical to the Romish church. There is a wholesale effort on foot by the Romanists to break up religious freedom for all but the Romish priesthood!

Advertisements are standing in Romish papers for young men to enter Catholic brotherhoods.

It would seem that those who have "vocation to the religious life" would not need to be advertised for, but such is not the case. The nurseries also have standing advertisements for girls to enter convents. Catholic parents seem to be as reluctant to give up their boys as their girls for the pious vocational

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