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"OLD GLORY"

Saturday, June 14, will be Flag Day. All over the United States the Flag will float in the pride of its 153 years. It will symbolize them, as it has always symbolized, an ideal of humanity, of self-government, of freedom of the individual to pursue happiness in his own way, within the law, which had never been put into practice before in the history of the world.

We have not yet reached—indeed, we have not fully reached—the perfection of this ideal. But we have come closer to it than any other considerate body of human beings in the history of the world. We are making the effort to live up to the ideal for which "Old Glory" stands we have set an example which almost all of the rest of the world has been striving to emulate.

Every government in the world except ours, however, reaches not and revolts from the changes since that 14th of June, 1776, when the Continental Congress officially adopted the Stars and Stripes. Most of these other governments are making the effort to live up to the ideal for which "Old Glory" stands we have set an example which almost all of the rest of the world has been striving to emulate.

With only two or three exceptions the American flag is the oldest in the world today. It is the flag to which we should look when we talk of the United States as a "young" nation. Nations which were old when we set out upon our revolution have been making changes after revolution. Most of them have completely altered their governmental forms.

The British Empire has become a commercially independent nation. Ireland has been annexed and detached again, though the cross of St. Patrick, added to the British flag in 1801, still remains there.

France was an absolute monarchy when we set up our government. The royal banner of Louis XIV has given place to the tricolor of the revolution. The third estate is now over with something intervening.

The Italy of today is quite different, nation, as its flag is different, from that of 1777.

Spain, then, the ruler of innumerable colonies, has shrunk to a tiny kingdom.

Germany, Austria, imperial Russia—all the "great" empires of the last century have changed. Even China, long the home of the dragon pennant and Turkey has abandoned the green flag of Mohammed.

Denmark's flag, dating from the 12th century, is still as old as ours, and the only flag flying today which are older than our own Stars and Stripes. The nation over which it was first flown has now that satisfied the hopes and beliefs of its founders.

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES

One of the perplexing political problems of the day is that of campaign expenditures. How much should a candidate for office be permitted to spend in behalf of his candidacy?

Some of the amounts expended by recent candidates for the Senate seem unusually large, and in some cases investigations have shown that there was a lack of definite plan for the maximum amount that may be spent, as is done in some states with respect to state offices.

With our ever growing number of voters it is difficult to reach the public in the larger states with even one piece of campaign literature. In New York state there were 4,865,363 registered voters in 1928. It would take a million dollars to send to each of these, and the cost of each piece, including postage, printing and advertising, were only fractions. It would take another million dollars to do the job. This sum would leave little margin for the expense of compiling lists, travel for newspaper advertising, or other expenditures inseparable from an aggressive campaign.

In Illinois and Pennsylvania the number of voters is approximately one-third less than that in New York, so it would take at

least \$300,000 to reach each voter with a piece of campaign literature and leave a small margin for other expenses in these states.

These figures could only cover primary expenses, and in all three states mentioned there would be additional outlays necessary incident to the general election.

All of which illustrates how futile it is, generally speaking, for a party to be without such supporters as aspire to high office.

WORLD CURB BUREAUS

Alive to the ever-increasing centralization of governmental power in Washington, Congressman Louis Ludlow of Indiana has introduced a bill to provide for a committee to study and report on the usurpation of the rights of the states.

It is his view that the consolidation of power, the diminution of independent establishments at the national level, contrary to the spirit of the founders of the Republic, and tends to place too much authority in the hands of Federal officials.

This has resulted in the harassment of the public by an army of expensive bureaucrats, such as the Federal Trade Commission, the National Recovery Administration, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Federal Communications Commission, and many others.

Citizens are investigated, investigated and harassed, and if they do not obey or violate any law or not, upon the mere suspicion of some off-baseholding public official, that possibly something is wrong with them. This is more bills for the tax payers, and, according to the author, caused the public to perceive a loss of human dignity and snoopers. At the same time, really serious crimes against society go largely unpunished.

The situation is becoming, well, intolerable. Mr. Ludlow can do anything to curb these evils will deserve the gratitude of all these long-suffering public officials. As all these long-suffering public officials are, it is the opinion of legislation by Congress, it may be too much to hope that anything will be done to check it.

It appears to be the business of Congress to do something to help these public officials to keep their children. Please: Public school

PHILIP H. BECHSER, Pastor

Saint Paul Evangelical

Sunday, June 14, "Children's Day" service.

At 10:30 a. m., the annual Children's Day service.

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At 7:00 p. m., an evening of music and song, sponsored by the choir of the church. A. T. Peters.

Vacation Bible will begin Monday, June 15, at 7:00 p. m. Please come and help us to keep our children healthy and send them to school.

CHARLES R. DRUELL, Pastor

FIRST READING

Church school, 10:30 a. m. This is followed by "Children's Day" service at the noon hour.

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