

Pastor Tells Part Welsh Have Played In Nation's History

"From the days of Caractacus and Boadicea, and before that to this day, the great spirit of our nation has been steadily and unceasingly moving on and shedding its influence abroad—geographical, political, and linguistic changes notwithstanding—on the mighty spirit marches."

"Of all the countries small and great, which has supplied this nation with some of its finest and foremost citizens, none are so little known as the 'Land of the Cymry,' the principality of Wales," spoke Rev. E. W. Griffith, pastor of Salem Presbyterian church, of the land of his birth.

It was eight years ago that the pastor of Salem church, whose members are of Welsh descent, made these statements in a radio address from Shenandoah, Ia. At that time he was pastor of a church at Red Oak, Ia.

The text of that address has been carefully preserved until this time.

"The Welsh people are numerous in America. There are more than 3,000 of them, who, born in Wales, came to this country to live. The children of these and descendants of the Welshmen who crossed the ocean since colonial days are great in number. Roger Williams, famous in history, pioneer of religious liberty in America, was among the earliest. A present-day prominent Welshman is the chief justice of the supreme court of the United States, Charles Evans Hughes, who administered the oath of office to President Franklin D. Roosevelt."

HAS WELSH SETTLEMENT

"Winnebago county has its Welsh settlement on the farms of the town of Utica, chiefly, and also the town of Nekimi. The area settled by these people in the southwestern section of Winnebago county, is extended to the territory of Eldorado, township, in Fond du Lac county."

Wales is a mere speck on the map of the world—it covers only about 80 square miles of territory. Rev. E. W. Griffith's text, composed after an extensive study of the history and activities of the Welsh in America, treated fully on the subject of his small, but interesting, country.

"It is not much larger than the state of Connecticut. In this limited territory there arise to the heavens more church steeples than in any other area of the world twice its size.

"The non-churchgoer in Wales is an exception to the rule. That tiny country has produced some of the greatest pulpit orators the world has ever seen and heard, but they have not received their due recognition on account of the fact they have preached in the Welsh tongue, exactly so concerning their brilliant acts and writers of prose, their dramatists—very few of their productions have been translated, as it deducts too much from their richness of meaning.

NOT SELF-SUPPORTING

"Wales is not a self-supporting country. It depends for its temporal supplies on other countries, but we find her native sons in every part of the globe, breaking the true bread of life, the manna that came down from heaven.

"It is the land of bards and harps, whose poetry and music have been wonderful heritage to the Welsh

into New England and Connecticut. Roger Williams, founder of Providence plantation, was born in Wales. At Providence, R. I., he founded the form of government which over 100 years later served as a model for the young American republic.

"If one colony owes anything to the Welsh, that colony was early Pennsylvania. William Penn, the founder, was of Welsh birth and parentage by his own admission. After the granting of the charter to Pennsylvania, whole tribes of Welsh people emigrated from Wales. The emigrants were the parents and grandparents of those who served so bravely in the conflict between the mother country and her colonies.

"These early pioneers of Welsh immigration were hardy stock, used to hard toil to wrest a living from the rugged fastnesses of their mountain land, and when they turned their attention to the agriculture of the new country, they soon made the wilderness where they settled smile as a garden and blossom as the rose. They raised bounteous crops and prospered.

TO MECHANICAL ARTS

"From this line of vocation they turned their attention to the mechanical arts for which they had a natural adaptability and factories, mills, and industrial plants began to dot the landscape. Many of our great workshops and manufacturing plants of the present time can trace their origin to the humble beginning by the Welsh settlers. John Drew was a ship carpenter at Plymouth as early as 1660. Thomas Harris got permission from the court of Connecticut to build a sawmill at Hartford in 1667. John Powell fashioned sailcloth in Boston. John Davies manufactured woolen garments in Springfield, Lynn, Mass., is the great shoe town of the United States. John Adams Dyer opened the first shoe shop in Lynn. David Thomas developed the first process of smelting iron. R. Powell and Marshall O. Roberts laid the Erie and Lackawanna railroad. J. C. Jenkins in Pittsburgh is like what Marshall Field is in Chicago. J. P. Morgan admitted that his folks came from North Wales.

"During the 20 years from 1861 to 1881 the production and use of iron exceeded by manyfold that of the entire century from 1761 to 1861. Welsh genius and Welsh brains are largely represented in that increase. Contributions of Capt. W. R. Jones to the iron and steel business of America are too numer-

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	True False Score
1. In chemistry, H is the symbol for hierlite.....	
2. Ha is an interjection of disgust.....	
3. Germanium is a flower.....	
4. Geophagy is the practice of eating clay or earth.....	
5. Perry is the fermented juice of peaches.....	
6. The Latin word quantum is amount in English.....	
7. There are four pints to a quart.....	
8. X is an algebraic symbol indicating an unknown quantity.....	
9. Roman numerals MM represent 4,000.....	
10. A lover of animals often is called a zoophilist.....	
TOTAL	

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and Ulica, have delighted thousands of Americans who cannot boast of Welsh blood. From a host of Welsh Americans, let me mention Dr. Dan Protheroe of Chicago, H. Evans Williams, the great Welsh tenor, Harry Davies of grand opera fame, Haydn Gunter, the great violinist, and Professor Arnold.

"The southern confederacy honored the name of that Welshman, Gen. Robert E. Lee, the beloved commander of the army of Virginia. Prominent among the union generals of '61 were such Welsh as Gen. George H. Thomas, who in history is known as 'The Rock of Chickamauga,' Maj. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, Brig. Gen. Joseph Jones Reynolds, who lost his life at Gettysburg, while in command of the left wing of Meade's army; Brig. Gen. Lorenzo Thomas. In the union navy were Acting Rear Admiral Samuel Phillips Lee of Virginia, who commanded the north Atlantic blockade squadron and Commodore T. A. Jenkins of Virginia, both of whom were Welshmen.

"The backbone of the rebellion was broken with surrender of Lee's army at Appomattox. It seems fitting, in as much as Jefferson Davies was of Welsh lineage, that his captors, Generals Powell and Pritchard, should also be of Welsh blood.

"John Paul Jones and Commodore

posed accession strenuously until the people of his state decided to throw their fortunes with the confederacy.

LOVE OF FREEDOM.

"It may be seen in the American declaration of independence the influence of centuries of the Celtic love of freedom lay back of these colonial Welsh.

"Most prominent Welsh-American politicians of the present are Charles Evans Hughes, James J. Davies, former secretary of labor, John Sharp Williams, Joseph E. Davis, and D. J. Lewis, father of the parcel post.

"So Welshmen can be found high up in all the different activities of American life—at the law bench, in the pulpit, in industry, educational centers, and in the naval and military branches of human endeavor.

"Well can the Welshman sing as he thinks how that distinctive Welsh nationality has been preserved through the ages:

"Still the same harp that Taliesin strung
Delights the songs whose sires its chords delighted,
Tells of a race, not conquered, but united;
That losing naught, wins all the Saxons won,
And shares the realm where never sets the sun."

STATE HEALTH OFFICER ASKS MAINTENANCE OF PRESENT SEWAGE RIGHT

Madison—(UP)—Maintenance of present powers of the Metropolitan sewage commission were asked of the assembly municipalities committee yesterday by Dr. C. A. Harper, state health officer.

Harper appeared in opposition to a bill proposing to transfer the commission's bonding powers to the county board.

Through work of the commission, Milwaukee county is being bonded against its will and may be forced to repudiate its obligations, Supervisor Frank Metcalf told the committee. In reply to arguments that the bonding was needed to protect the city's health, Metcalf said Milwaukee won national health contests two years ago, and now needs its money for poor relief.

The present commission is operating efficiently and economically and if its bonding power were changed to prevent construction of intercepting sewers, raw sewage would be forced into Lake Michigan, Harper said.

Atty. C. R. Dineen said Milwaukee county municipalities outside the city of Milwaukee are united against passage of the bill.

CLINTONVILLE WINS DEBATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Madison—(UP)—Clintonville high school won the state high school debating championship here last night when its negative squad defeated Mayville's affirmative, and its affirmative side downed the River Falls negative.

Clintonville represented the Oshkosh district of the state high school forensics association. Mayville high school, representing the Milwaukee district, won second place. River Falls took third place.

The teams debated the advisability of having states derive one-half of state and local taxes from sources other than tangible property.

Clintonville's affirmative team comprised Virginia Kelly, Howard Knitz, and Justin Schmiedeke, with Edwin Knitz alternating. On the negative squad were Vernon Van Bostel, Marie Huffman, John Abrahamson and Gerald Hurley, alternating.

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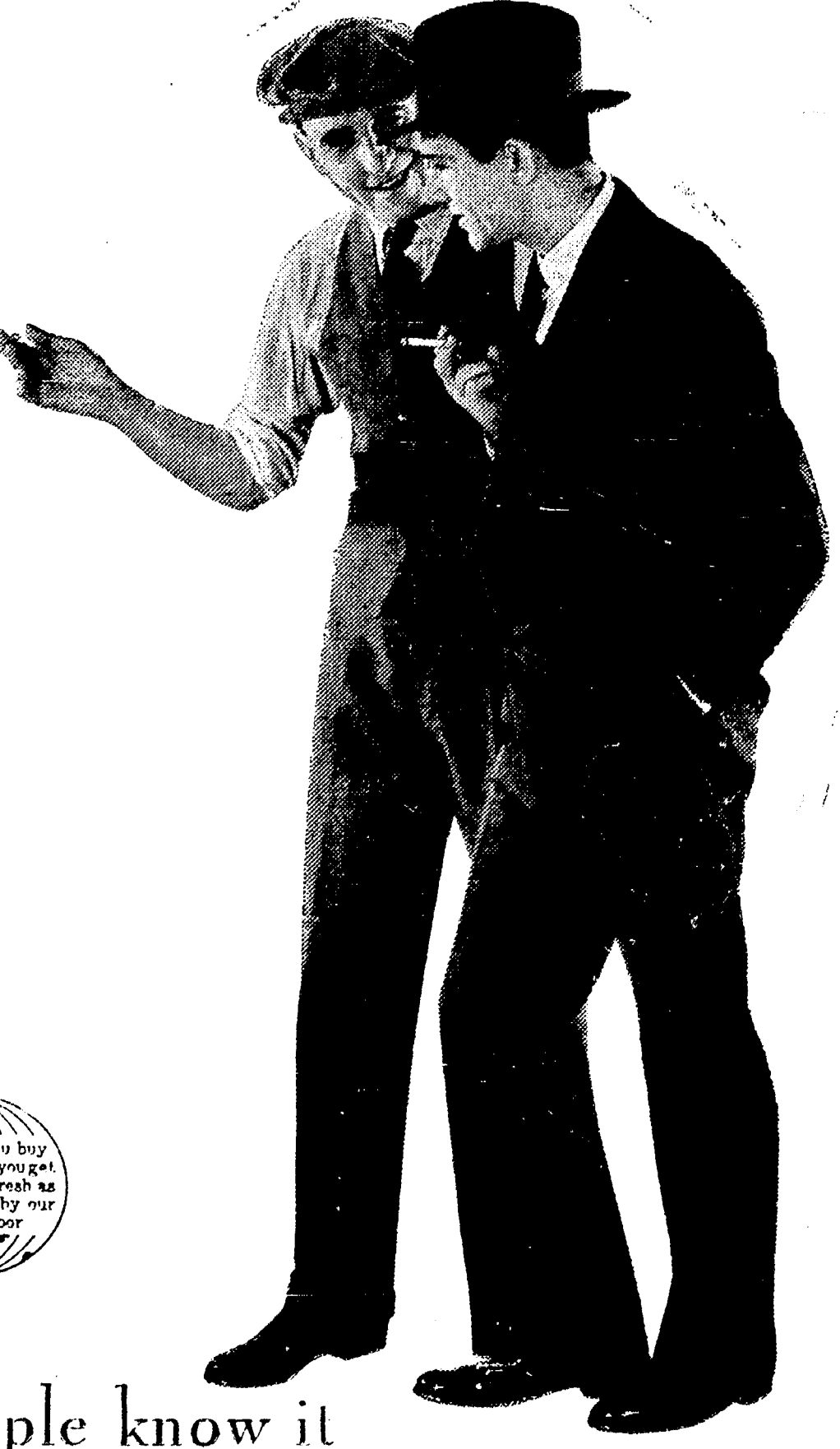
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