

CHURCH WARNED TO KEEP OUT OF • POLITICS TODAY

Episcopal Bishop of New York Writes His Opinions.

Bishop Charles Fliske of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York has come out with the declaration that the church should keep out of politics, that it should be a moral teacher, not a moral policeman, and that it has no right to pledge any of its members on the prohibition question by legislation or resolution.

He insists that moral reform, if it is to be permanent and effective, must come from within and cannot be imposed from without.

"The supreme sin of modern Phariseism," he writes in an article in the current issue of Harper's Magazine, "is the sin of dependence upon the civil arm for the regulation of morals. The Pharisees were the good people of their day—only they were so sure of their goodness, and so convinced of the worth of their regulatory system that they enforced it on others, and in doing so became hardened in self-righteousness."

Dealing frankly with the Eighteenth Amendment and the prohibition question, Bishop Fliske charges that in the prohibition campaign the churches "became party organizations, led by skilled ecclesiastical politicians, and condoning practices quite as objectionable as any indulged in by politicians of the community or garden variety."

The Amendment

The result was the Eighteenth Amendment—welcomed in some sections of the country, received in astonishment in others, folisted upon not a few States, and even where favorable sentiment was strongest accepted because it was supposed to be the only possible method of curbing the power of the saloon.

"It is needless to argue about its good results or its bad effects. Much may be said on both sides. Much that has been said is the voice of partisan opinion. The one point I would make is this: That the whole subject should be reconsidered in the light of experience, with the grace of Christian sincerity and in conscientious desire to decide charitably without bigotry or bias.

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recent legislation—and be good Christians still."

Asks for Room

Bishop Fliske then claims that there should be room in the church for those who feel that the Volstead act is a lie and a tyrannical piece of legislation, or who for other reasons oppose the prohibition laws.

The churches, concludes Bishop Fliske, "must be called back to their real duty—which is the supplying of the spiritual dynamic that shall make men strong enough and brave enough to follow the path of truth and right, no matter where it may lead or what it may cost."

"Above all else, the clear call comes to American Protestants of today to exercise their Christian citizenship in a spirit of gracious liberality and sympathetic understanding of those who cannot see with them, eye to eye."

"I may not read aright the thoughts of those who are outside the Christian fold, but my impression is that they are becoming hardened in an opposition to organized Christianity by the feeling that it does not really represent the spirit of the Master."

"They were once outside, because they were doubtful or questioning. They are now determined to stay outside, because they find the methods of Protestant Christianity distasteful and repellent."

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