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Message from the President

How is it that our nation is suffering when the good intentions and efforts of so many Americans are overshadowed by division on so many fronts? Who can be the leader(s) to heal our spirit? I am reminded that at its foundation the AOH exists not only to protect our faith and liberties but to serve our brothers and sisters.

In unity our ancestors worked to establish a better life, struggled for equal justice under the law and protect our religious liberty. Through it all, we have transcended the issues of the past and emerged, not as conquerors or lords, but as a people called to servant leadership. It is in that spirit, as a brotherhood, we can heal the wounds of division and become the tie that binds.

Our gifts are granted by God and preserved by the blood of those who came before us. With that, I am compelled to include this excerpt of Mike O'Connor's wonderful piece in the September *Shillelagh*, as greatness has its roots in humility.

Remarks of General T.F. Meagher were quoted by Major Martin Maginnis at the unveiling of the Meagher statue in Helena, on July 4, 1905.

"Here at all events among the great mountains of the new world no echoes should be awakened save those that proclaimed true and glorious peace, the everlasting brotherhood of those who have been foes upon the battlefield; the triumphant reign of industry and another pillar and crown of gold to the nation that had been restored. In the divine sacrament of love, forgiveness, and patriotism, let us dedicate with an irrevocable pledge this beautiful and superb domain to the consolidation of liberty and law, the crushing of the malevolence of faction, nationality against sectionalism, and the foundation of an enlightened civilization, where religion may flourish without bigotry and loyalty without humiliation."

So, Brothers, in the spirit of humility let us be peacemakers in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity. Síocháin (Peace)

Jim 🖡

HIBERNIAN DATES TO REMEMBER

AOH MEETING KC HALL TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020 6:30 pm, REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

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This Month in Irish History

- October 1, 1911 Statue of Charles Stewart Parnell is unveiled in Dublin
- October 2, 1833 Birth of Father William Corby who became Chaplain of the Irish Brigade in Detroit, Michigan.
- October 4 1582 Pope Gregory reforms the calendar introduced by Julius Caesar in 45 BCE: 4th of October is followed by 15th of October. However, the reform will not be implemented in Ireland till 1752
- October 6 1891 Death of Charles Stewart Parnell, champion of tenants rights and co-founder of the Land League; often called the "Uncrowned King of Ireland"
- October 11, 1649 Massacre at Wexford when the town falls to Cromwell
- October 14, 1909 -Bishop John Carroll, State Caplain of the Ancient Order of Hibernians visits the Butte Divisions.
- October 15, 1842 First issue of "The Nation" published.
- October 15, 1995 Seamus Heaney wins the Nobel Prize for Literature.
- October 15, 1890 Michael Collins is born in Clonakilty, Co. Cork.
- October 17, 1803 Birth of Young Irelander, William Smith O'Brien in Dromoland, Co. Clare
- October 21, 1885 AOH Div #1 Butte minutes, a motion was made and carried the "the County Delegate be authorized to organize Division No. 2 in Butte within this year whenever he feels disposed".
- October 23, 1969 Samuel Beckett wins Nobel Prize for Literature.
- October 27, 1673 A proclamation declares the banishment of Catholic bishops and priests and the closure of religious houses and schools under Charles II's reign.
- October 28, 1891 Formal opening of Hibernian Hall in Butte Montana.

Beware of false

knowledge;

it is more

dangerous than

ignorance



WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE AOH

The National AOH now accepts membership from individuals that want to join the AOH, but have no Division in the county that they live.

We want to welcome two individuals: Isaac Miller of Big Timber and William Gorman of Buffalo, Wyoming. Both would like to join our Thomas Francis Meagher Division.

Welcome!!! And hopefully we will be able to get together soon.

In Memoriam

We just received sad news that our brother Joe Calnan's wife Marian passed away. The funeral and burial will be in Anaconda but there will be a memorial here in Helena also.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon her.

