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TODAY'S BIBLE QUOTATION

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A New World of Permanent Peace

By ROBERT L. OWEN

Former U. S. Senator from Oklahoma.

MAY I NOT congratulate the people of Oklahoma and the people of the United States on the United Nations Organization now meeting in London?

An era of world peace and superabundance is at hand.

The people and the government of Oklahoma are entitled to special credit in establishing the principles of the United Nations Organization.

When Oklahoma entered the union in 1907, it was composed of progressive citizens from every state in the union, from Maine to California, from Oregon to Florida. The people of Oklahoma demanded and established the most progressive constitution in the United States, and demanded all of the safeguards of modern democracy: The initiative and referendum, the mandatory primary, the secret ballot safeguarded from corruption, the preferential ballot, the control of private monopoly, woman suffrage. These principles have been established in Oklahoma, and have become a dominant force in the 48 states of the union. The representatives of Oklahoma in the congress of the United States strenuously fought for the creation and regulation of the value of money by the congress of the United States, and accomplished it in the federal reserve act against organized opposition.

Oklahoma was responsible for putting the full power of the United States behind the federal reserve system, as the records of congress fully disclose.

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The principles of democracy taught by the National Popular Government League were adopted by the Kuo-Min-Tang some years ago, and are now, within the last few days, used to reconcile the Chinese to each other under the influence of General Marshall. I organized this League in 1913 and was its president, and am still its president emeritus.

On February 10, 1945, the representatives of Oklahoma in congress indorsed and sponsored the global alphabet, a mechanism invented by me for teaching the world to read, write, print, and speak English.

On April 26, 1945, house concurrent resolution 33 was unanimously passed by the Oklahoma senate, memorializing congress and the president to consider the plan proposed.

This plan has the support of many leading linguists, and the moral support of the Committee on World Literacy, as the record discloses.

This mechanism provides a means by which, within a few months, any intelligent person can learn to read English as currently printed and to speak it.

It means a plan by which to make English a world language with speed and at negligible cost. It provides a plan for abolishing ignorance and poverty. It provides a means of teaching all men the modern arts and sciences by radio and press. It is a vital plan for enabling the people

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But this plan comes from the heart of Oklahoma, and was developed out of the knowledge and experience of the people of Oklahoma, beginning with the Sequoyah syllabic alphabet of 1823, well known in Oklahoma, and the phonetic alphabets with which the Indian dialects of Oklahoma were printed by the missionaries.

Let us rejoice that the future home of the United Nations will be in the United States, where it belongs by merit!

To the people of Oklahoma, I wish to express my most affectionate remembrances and my deep sense of gratitude that they permitted me, as their humble servant, to represent them as United States senator and to take part in advancing world reforms which have now come to full fruition.