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MY DEAR ARCHBISHOP:

At a meeting of the Bishops of the Province of Oregon City held in Seattle, November 22, 1922, it was unanimously agreed:

First, that the school law recently passed in Oregon be legally disputed and its constitutionality tested as soon as possible in the Supreme Court of the United States.

Second, that since this matter concerns the entire body of Catholics, the Bishops of the country, through the Administrative Committee of the N. C. W. C., be asked to assume the responsibility of bringing the Oregon case to the highest court.

Third, that they be asked, through the same agency, to raise the necessary funds for these expensive undertakings.

The conduct of the campaign has exhausted our resources. Without assistance we would not be able to take the steps necessary to protect the rights of our sorely aggrieved people.

Surely the Bishops of this country will not stand by inactive while the faith is being strangled in our innocent children. Our case today will be theirs tomorrow.

I put the case of Oregon in the hands of the Bishops through your Administrative Committee.

Asking your prayers for our afflicted Church, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A. CHRISTIE,

Abp. of Oregon City.