MASCULINITY STUDIES ON TWO CONTINENTS AND IN TWO ERAS: THOMAS A. HICKEY IN VICTORIAN DUBLIN AND PROGRESSIVE ERA AMERICA, 1868-1925

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INTRODUCTION

New Biography

We are historians, who tell stories through the medium of “the new biography”, that is, examining the lives of people who have been left out of most history texts, to discover what can they tell us about particular periods and places. We have the application of masculinity studies to our narrative.

THOMAS A. HICKEY, to be very helpful in examining his life and times.

What is Masculinity Studies?

Masculinity studies is an interdisciplinary field concerned with the social and gendered construction of what it means to “be a man.” “Masculinity” refers to the social roles, behaviors and relationships of men within a particular society and the meanings accredited to them.

COMING TO AMERICA

Hickey arrived in the very powerful height of a labor union and found great company with some of the leaders of the Socialist Labor Party. He would soon attempt to further his passion by becoming a member of the Socialist Labor Party.

As a young man, Hickey was an organizer and a political candidate for the Socialist Party. He was a member of the early chapters of the party and became a leader in the movement.

SOCIALISM IN TEXAS

Hickey went to Texas in 1888 and met the small, self-sacrificing, and dedicated Irish group that was the nucleus of the Socialism in Texas. He was a member of the group and became active in the movement.

In Texas, Hickey did not have to worry about his political activities being disrupted. The government was more concerned with other issues and did not interfere with his work.

In early 1911, Hickey invited Clara to come and live in San Antonio, where he was able to spend more time with her. They established a friendship and eventually fell in love, getting married in 1912.

Texas Socialism

Hickey was a member of the Texas Socialist Party and was involved in various political activities in the state. He was a strong supporter of the party and its goals.

In 1912, Hickey and Clara Kies were the two main leaders of the Socialist Party in Texas. They worked hard to promote the party and its ideals.

In 1912, Hickey was elected to the state legislature in Texas. He was a strong supporter of the party and its platform.

In 1912, Hickey ran for the office of state senator in Texas. He was a strong supporter of the party and its platform.

Hickey's political career continued to thrive, and he was elected to several offices, including state senator and United States congressman.

Conclusion

Hickey's masculinity had become entwined completely with the fight against the world-wide socialist movement. The social and political climate in Texas during this period had a significant impact on his life and how he viewed masculinity.

Hickey is remembered as a strong supporter of the Socialist Party and as a leader in the fight for socialism.

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