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Subject: Re: Secular democracy

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CarrierII wrote on Fri, 22 January 2010 13:04 Many of them stem from a time where it was more acceptable.

"more acceptable" as far as religion is concerned, since it was much more powerful at the time and could get away with pretty much anything. thankfully it's lost a lot of its power.

Quote:A lot of laws are not repealed. I remember reading a case where someone offered to settle a dispute (In the UK) via a "Trial by combat", an old right that is exactly as it sounds.

look up the chancel repair law tbh

Quote:At any rate, before anyone is led astray - I'm a leader with the Scout Association, and in the UK (And thus it should be the case globally) that there is no such rule preventing athiests becoming Scouts - the guidance reads simply that "Scouts should be aware that there is a spiritual side to life".

yeah, it's really just in the states. the penn and teller bullshit episode on boyscouts is worth watching imho.

nikki wrote Jesus Tap Dancing Christ, are they serious?...

yep. if i may roughly quote pat condell. ireland is a country that has been literally raped by religion, and now they've made a law saying you can't criticise it. talk about stockholm syndrome.

free speech be damned... now the person being spoken to can just decide they're offended and boom, law broken.

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