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## Denny's Disobedience

Continued from last week

"I've got to do it," he retorted. "I've got to do it for Mary's sake."

Some of the men tried to catch him, but it was too late. He was already half way up the ladder. In an incredibly short time he reached the windows where the man had stood. Denny peered in. The room was filled with smoke and flames. It was impossible to see anything else. The brave man did not pause for a mental debate. He plunged into the opening. He flung himself prostrate on the floor. The flames were stifling. Many a good fireman had died under similar conditions. But the ladderman did not think of that. He crawled along on his hands and knees, all the while keeping his nostrils close to the floor. He knew from experience that that was the only way of getting enough air to keep from smothering to death. He felt around, but could not locate the bookkeeper. He had a wet sponge in the pocket of his oilcloth coat. He pulled this out and stuffed it into his mouth. He reached again, and this time touched the prostrate body.

Then came the tug of war. In that moment he was possessed of the strength of three men. He dragged the unconscious bookkeeper to the window. He could taste the smoke now. It was going towards his lungs. But the breath of air from the outside gave him a respite. How he got the limp form of Horace Dalton over his shoulders and balanced himself sufficiently to gain the rungs of the ladder he never knew. But he did it.

Down he came step by step with a steadiness that was little short of marvelous. The body on his shoulders away in unison with his movements. The Chief Engineer stopped swearing and waited for the catastrophe. But Denny finally reached the street with his helpless burden, and as he did so a mighty shout went up that thrilled every one to the heart. Denny did not hear it, for in that moment he lost consciousness and dropped to the ground with his human trophy.

They were both taken to the hospital. Denny was dismissed that afternoon. Dalton came out the following day. When the ladderman reported for duty he was met by an angry chief.

"What do you mean by disobeying orders?" he shouted, hiding a look of wistful admiration behind his angry manner.

"Chief," said Denny, contritely: "I just had to do it. I had to do it for her sake!"

"Oh!" exclaimed the veteran: "so there was a she in it? Well that explains it if it does not justify your lunacy."

"Yes, sir," admitted the doleful one.

"But," thundered the chief, "I'm going to have discipline in this department or I'll quit the job!"

"Don't do that!" begged the ladderman, who adored his superior.

"All right; but I'm going to give you one more chance. I'm going to see if you'll take an order from me. I order you off duty for a week to get the smoke out of your system."

Denny took his order with a show of obedience that was truly childlike. He had scarcely reached home and adjusted himself comfortably on the couch in the sitting room when Mary Cahill burst in on him. Denny tried to arise and put on his company manners, but he found that he was too weak to move.

"Oh, Denny!" she cried, "I've just heard of it! Horace told me all about it!"

"Yes," murmured the fireman. "Yes," she exclaimed, "and I think it is the noblest thing in the world."

"I knew you would be glad," he said simply.

"I should say so," she reiterated with emphasis. "How can I ever thank you?"

A playful and rather pathetic smile hovered over Denny's lips.

"Don't mention it," he said. "I hope you and Horace will be very happy."

"Horace!" she cried, with fine irony. "Why, he's nothing to me."

"And you're not going to marry him?" persisted the ladderman, a bit dazed.

"Certainly not."

"Would you—would you marry me?" he stammered.

She spoke with determination. "You're the only man in the world I'd marry."

## A Catholic School of Social Science

The Goal of the Central Verein

A great step towards the realization of the social reform propaganda of the German Roman Catholic Central Verein of the U. S. has been taken in the decision of that body to erect a school of social study. This action was taken at the convention held at Toledo, O., last September. Since then the plan has progressed and a site has been decided upon. Some thirteen thousand dollars have been signed by members of the Central Verein by priests and laymen, and other contributions are still coming in. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Schrembs of Toledo has donated \$500, and several \$1,000 donations have been recorded.

The erection of a separate academy for the study of the social sciences, under Catholic auspices and for Catholics, is not only a novelty in the United States but a pronounced necessity. Catholics generally are becoming more and more aware of the growing importance of the social question and are realizing the need of cooperating in its solution. We have, moreover, passed the stage of believing that we could cooperate effectively without special and adequate preparation. And because of the vital questions of principles and policy involved we have become convinced that a necessary part of the equipment of Catholic sociologists and Catholic social workers is a specifically Catholic training; a training which will not only advise practical means of correction, prevention and relief for social ills, but will also inculcate Catholic doctrine as applied to social science, and teach its application to the great present day problems.

The Central-Verein which has been engaged in social reform work for some years past and has a standing committee on Social Propaganda, appointed some five years ago, is seizing the problem at the right end. While doing all the practical work it is able to do along these lines it proposes also to lay the foundation for the carrying out of its program in the future by preparing men for this work in a special institution. The Verein is evidently convinced that permanently successful social activity can not be maintained without previous social study; an axiom universally admitted by economists and sociologists, and repeatedly insisted on by the Holy Father as well as by His august predecessor.

## Weekly Church Calendar

- 23—S Easter Sunday
- 24—M Easter Monday
- 25—T Easter Tuesday
- 26—W St. Ludger, Bp. C.
- 27—Th. St. John of Egypt
- 28—F St. John Capistran, C.
- 29—S SS. Jonas and Barachisus

## Hayler's

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## A Unique Easter Plant

The "Bottle Brush" now displayed in H. P. Neun's show window, 9 North street.

## The Descent from the Cross

An Easter Poem by JAMES A. EDGERTON.

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A CROSS the ages shines the piteous scene.  
That stirs the sorrow of humanity,  
Caught and reflected on the canvas screen  
By Art, which is the glass of History.  
But, lo, the grief is stilled! for once again  
This form divine, deprived of mortal breath,  
Shall rise resplendent and proclaim to men  
The triumph over death.

## KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN.

Members of the First Regiment, State of New York, Rochester Knights of St. John, Ladies auxiliaries and invited guests will hold a banquet and reception at the Powers Hotel, Wednesday evening, April 23. Invitations have been sent to Supreme officers of the order.

## Knights of Columbus.

The Easter reception and dance will be held on Monday evening, March 24th. The following members will assist the lecturer Dr. Walter B. O'Neill at this reception: H. B. McGrath, M. M. Mahoney, M. Hyland, N. J. O'Neill, E. J. Goggin, John P. Hagerty, R. B. McElligott, Dr. P. J. Quinn, Leo J. Hickey, W. H. Cummings, O. V. Hughes, and John Kohl. Rochester Council 178, will hold the First Degree on Friday night, March 28th, at 8.30 o'clock sharp.

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## Central Council, C. M. B. A.

Grand Secretary Edward Ryan of Syracuse gave an instructive address on "Membership" at the regular session of the Central Council C. M. B. A., on Tuesday evening, a dance will be held at Convention Hall on Monday evening, April 21st, the proceeds to be devoted to defraying the expenses of the council.

## Emmet Guards

An Easter dance will be held by this society on Tuesday evening, April 1st at A. O. H. Hall, 198 Main St. West. Good music, a good crowd and a general good time is a sure thing. So come.

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## National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

The urgent need of a Church for the Catholic University has long been evident. Since its opening in 1880, new departments have been established from year to year, with the result that the students have increased to about five hundred, and the professors to sixty, with the certainty of a corresponding growth every year. A suitable Church therefore is very badly needed to hold the actual body of professors and students, and a reasonable number of visitors.

It is essential that among the public buildings of the University there should always be one, devoted to Our Divine Lord in the Sacrament of His Love, belonging formally to the whole University as such, open at all times to the piety and devotion of professors and students, likewise of the many visitors who daily make the rounds of the University grounds and buildings. In this Church the Holy Sacrifice would be offered up daily by the numerous priest students, for whose needs in this respect the capacity of Divinity Hall is about exhausted. Confessions would be heard regularly and with all due liturgical dignity. Our beautiful devotions would be carried out with a view to attracting the lay members of the University, particularly the undergraduate body, to whom the Church, it is hoped, would come to their own particular and prized possession. For the daily life of the University no better religious influence could be imagined than a proper devotional center of prayer and adoration.

Almost every month of the scholastic year some great religious ceremony takes place at the University that calls for an attendance of several hundred persons. Thus the Solemn Opening and closing of the academic year, the feasts of the Immaculate Conception, of the Conversion of St. Paul, of St. Thomas Aquinas, and other public ceremonies, like the two Solemn Masses annually said for our benefactors, living and deceased, bring together large bodies of worshippers, often persons of great prominence in the National Capital, who in this way become better acquainted with the University and the noble ideals of the Catholic Church in all that pertains to the higher education of her children. Yearly also large ordinations of priests take place at the University, frequently of members of the seven religious orders located there, and for this purpose suitable sanctuary and sacristy spaces are badly needed so that the Holy Orders of the Church may be conferred amid comfort and splendor, and with all due facilities of attendance on the part of the laity, to whom these ceremonies are peculiarly attractive.

Twice a year the Board of Trustees meets at the University in the fall and spring. If we had a suitable church, occasion could be taken of the presence of so many venerable prelates to gather about them not only the entire University, but also the Catholic laity of Washington, amid the attractions of suitable liturgical services and all the devotional aids of our Catholic religious life.

When the Fathers of the Sixth Provincial Council of Baltimore, in the year 1846, placed the United States of America, which consisted then of only one ecclesiastical province, under the protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary conceived without sin, they laid upon American Catholics an obligation to show an especial devotion toward our Blessed Lady. No one could accuse American Catholics of falling behind Catholics of any other nation in their devotion to the Mother of God, but our being placed under her patronage in a special manner seems to imply that we should show extraordinary devotion to her as American Catholics. For a long time it has been felt that there should be some National Shrine, as an out-

word testimony of this devotion, and there can be no doubt that if such a monument were erected at the National Capital it would place for it. It has been suggested that this Shrine should be a testimony of the devotion toward the Mother of God, which has been the form of a beautiful shrine at the Catholic University of America, to be known as the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

For some time an attempt has been made to erect such a Shrine, but it has not yet been possible to purchase a suitable site. Various attempts have been made to secure a site, but they have all failed. It is now proposed that the Shrine be erected on the grounds of the Catholic University of America, and that the Shrine be a testimony of the devotion toward the Mother of God, which has been the form of a beautiful shrine at the Catholic University of America, to be known as the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

It is also the intention of the University to erect a Shrine of the Sacred Heart, and a Shrine of the Sacred Family, and a Shrine of the Sacred Eucharist, and a Shrine of the Sacred Sacrament, and a Shrine of the Sacred Mysteries, and a Shrine of the Sacred Virtues, and a Shrine of the Sacred Gifts, and a Shrine of the Sacred Graces, and a Shrine of the Sacred Blessings, and a Shrine of the Sacred Mercies, and a Shrine of the Sacred Compassions, and a Shrine of the Sacred Misericordias, and a Shrine of the Sacred Sweetness, and a Shrine of the Sacred Consolations, and a Shrine of the Sacred Comforts, and a Shrine of the Sacred Joys, and a Shrine of the Sacred Pleasures, and a Shrine of the Sacred Delights, and a Shrine of the Sacred Ecstasies, and a Shrine of the Sacred Raptures, and a Shrine of the Sacred Ecstasies, and a Shrine of the Sacred Raptures.

All contributions should be sent to the committee on the Shrine, c/o the Secretary of the Catholic University of America, 25 East 7th Street, New York City, or Miss Francis Whelan, 20th Street, Washington, D. C. They should be accompanied by a check or money order payable to the order of the Shrine, and should be accompanied by a receipt from the committee.

Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Conroy, Rector of the Catholic University of America, 25 East 7th Street, New York City.

## New Year's Resolutions

The first term of our English Commercial School closed Friday afternoon with an attendance of 116 students. A new term will open next Monday, when new classes will be organized. Instruction is given in the commercial branches, embracing bookkeeping, penmanship and office methods, and in English, French, shorthand and touch-typewriting. The energies of the faculty are devoted wholly to preparing the pupils in the most thorough manner in the shortest possible time, and the responsibilities of business life. Nothing is taught that does not tend directly to that end. The school has a practical and fascinating course of study, capable teachers, who give the pupils close attention, a fine class of pupils, and beautiful school rooms. Tuition fee for this year only \$25 for ten weeks. Circulars mailed to any address. Phone 436 Stone, Office and school, 27 Church street.

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