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### The Mask is Off

After the profanation of St. Alphonsus' Church in New York, by the scoundrels who have been fooling the people by masking as "unemployed" and seeking work and food, although one of them had \$750 on his person when arrested, no one need waste sympathy upon the Industrial Workers of the World who have been seeking notoriety and shekels at the hands of unthinking men and women of New York.

These scoundrels went deliberately into a Catholic Church to profane the sacred edifice and to make little of God's holy place. They were not seeking work. They were not seeking food. They were not respectful either to priests or worshippers. They openly insulted the Blessed Sacrament. They are anarchists in action, unbelievers as to religious profession. No sympathy need be wasted upon them. They should be dealt with sternly as criminals and as traitors to a free country whose hospitality they have abused.

All honor to Father Schneider who refused to be swerved by specious pleas. He saw their motives and aim. He sent for the police and handed the miscreants over to the law. The police did their duty and the Magistrates theirs. The authorities of all the country could well learn a lesson by the way the police of New York have dealt with the situation. This is not a time to temporize. It is a time to act and to act vigorously.

### Hysteria!

The New York "World" very well says that the American people, or a large and noisy portion thereof have gone sex-mad. They have read books and heard talks by shallow, self-advertising men and women and have passed by authoritative advice on these nature studies perhaps because their untrained intellects neither could understand or appreciate real erudition—until they have worked themselves into unreasoning hysteria. Were they the only ones injured no pity or sympathy need be wasted. But they persist and insist upon foisting their ideas upon all of us and, worst of all, insist that the experiment be tried out upon the innocent youth who should be protected against just such blind leading of the blind.

Let us hope this form of "brain storm" likewise the tango craze will pass and that speedily. Such forms of national hysteria do not tend to enhance the American reputation with the other nations of the world.

### Why, Oh, Why!

The following special despatch from Washington furnishes as pointed an argument as we have seen against the proposed educational test for immigrants:

According to figures by the bureau of immigration, just made public, more immigrants are being debarred from this country this year than last year, and dur-

ing the month of December, as also during the the first six months of the present fiscal year, more than two per cent of those applying for admission were turned back to their native shores.

Representative William S. Vare of Philadelphia recently pointed out that in the schools of his city the children of immigrants frequently won the first prizes. His appointments to Annapolis and West Point are always made the object of competitive examinations, and usually the son of an immigrant is the victor.

The interesting point made by Mr. Vare is now supported by the statement of Commissioner of Education Claxton, who says in his recent report: "The least illiterate of our population are the native-born children of foreign parents. Illiteracy among the children of native-born parents is three times as great as that among native-born children of foreign parents."

From this statement, it would seem poor national economy to turn healthy white immigrants back from our ports simply because they cannot read or write, and some of our finest stock would be lost to us if the literacy test ever became effective.

### Absurd

While undoubtedly the New York "Sun" is purely selfish and self-advertising in the suit it has filed against the Associated Press as a "monopoly" and a suppressor of news, many honest-minded persons, not knowing the facts, might really believe that the Associated Press is able to control the news policies of the newspaper press of the country.

Such a thing is absurd. The Associated Press is a co-operative institution, each member paying a pro rata assessment for expenses of maintenance of the telegraphic and news service. Were it not for the Associated and United Press associations, the smaller daily papers of the country would not be able to exist because only a very large capital could stand the expense of independent news gathering. Inasmuch as the Associated Press is co-operative it follows that each member assists in gathering and distributing the news. Hence it is plain that the Associated Press, as such, is not a monopoly and cannot suppress color or in any way, handle the news of the country in any way other than that desired by its members. Regarding refusal of the Associated Press to sell its news outside its membership, that is analogous to insisting that a man must sell his coat or hat or cane to some person who has taken a liking thereto. That's all there is to the Associated Press monopoly.

President Wilson does not lack courage at all events.

The Catholic Journal extends hearty congratulations to William A. Buckley in his appointment and confirmation as postmaster of Rochester.

Mayor John Purroy Mitchell begins to find out that ruling the greatest city in the Western Hemisphere is no child's play.

Why all this abuse of the court of Appeals because it decided a case contrary to the wishes of fanatics and sensational journals? Have people lost their sense of proportion? Have we also been bereft of our sense of humor?

No Catholic worthy the name should be ashamed to own his faith or to have the world know that he practises its religion.

It is a good custom to go to Mass as often as possible during the Lenten season.

The man who has learned to govern his temper has learned much.

### A Busy Man

A cursory survey of the activity of Governor Glynn betrays a vigorous mentality and much physical force. In less than three weeks he has sent to the legislature four special messages dealing with a plan for land credit loans and banks to assist the farmer; with conservation of the state's resources; presenting a plan for a statewide employment bureau and one combining wealth of diction, much research, an intimate acquaintance with the early history of New York state and wide knowledge of our early literature. These messages were written outside the time allotted to routine governmental duties and, in addition, he delivered at least one set speech and that dealt with Irish legend and history.

During the few months he has occupied the post of chief executive of New York state, Martin H. Glynn has stamped his forceful personality upon every phase of state government. He has shown himself to be a man of keen perception of the public needs and the way to meet the demand. New York state is fully as much honored in having such a governor as he is honored in being governor.

The principal interest in China's encyclopedia of 11,000 volumes consists in a mild curiosity as to what it contains about republics.

Before you "go up in the air" over a trifling measure the distance you'll have to drop falling back to earth. Then maybe you won't.

China's agreement to complete an arbitration treaty with this country means more hard work for the interpreters and translators.

A learned man demonstrates that Nero could not have burned Rome, but he leaves the world in doubt as to Nero's ability as a violinist.

The Philadelphia woman who wants Congress to regulate bargain sales does not care how many extra sessions a statesman may be obliged to sit through.

Mawson's report of the discovery of a vast coal bed in the antarctic would be more important if any coal consumers were likely to settle in that part of the world.

In order to reach a conclusion as to what constitutes pure food it becomes necessary to inspect the statutes and the supreme court decisions as well as the labels.

The decision of the department of commerce that all flying machines are "boats" should make it perfectly legitimate to finish the round the world flight by water if necessary.

Since England has abandoned her naval maneuvers because they cost too much, her ancient battle hymn may have to be revised. She's got the ships and she's got the men, but ain't she got the money too?

English women who marry must still promise to "obey" the bishops having taken no action to modify the marriage service. But it is still possible for British wives to go on domestic hunger strikes or adopt other militant methods.

Presently some forehanded reformer will make a bit with the plain people by demanding government ownership of moving picture shows.

Some one says "no thoroughly occupied man was ever miserable." He is liable to be, however, if he occupies himself with the business of other people.

An Italian poet has just celebrated his one hundred and second birthday. In the matter of dying, however, it's the same with poets as it is with other men.

Uncle Sam bars babies from the parcel post. This will be a great disappointment to the little ones who were expecting to get a baby brother that way.

Women have now demanded the ballot in France, while in Germany they ask admission to the Stock Exchange. Want to get right next to the money at once?

A judge has ruled that a man has no right to swear at his wife, even though she swears at him first. And yet women insist that men have all the advantages.

### Beat It If You Can

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The first step toward fitness for mastery of others is mastery of oneself.

Unless a man is a good collector he may lose the living the world owes him.

Even Andy Carnegie's peace plans call for no let up in the war on tuberculosis.

Scientists are trying to find out how big space is. Thus far there seems to be plenty.

The mind may aid digestion, as Dr. Alaberg states, but it takes a square meal to satisfy it.

Any doctor will tell you that the most common ailment is inflammation of the imagination.

A good many people sympathize with the under dog, but they don't want the upper dog to know it.

All men may be born free and equal, but it is the women who are born equal to any emergency.

Cultivate the habit of smiling right after breakfast. It may be a struggle, but it is a wonderful tonic.

Some people are polite when you step on their corns, but when you step on their pride—watch your step!

The only thing sure about the stock market is that you'll lose your money if you stay in it long enough.

The British house of lords is going to try and stop the sale of titles to all American heiresses excepted.

For a man who is continually dodging the militants King George seems to wear his head pretty straight.

A Japanese admiral has been charged with grafting, and he may be expected to declare it was quite accidental.

Paris is contemplating liberal divorce laws. The French idea of liberal divorce laws ought to be interesting.

The trouble with a creditor is that he always seems to think you ought to have more money than you've got.

New York health authorities are trying to abolish the free lunch fork. An easy way is to abolish the free lunch first.

"Teach the facts about your home city in the public schools," urges the bureau of municipal research, New York city.

The New York supreme court has decided that flying in an airship is hazardous. Was anybody ever in doubt about it?

A Brooklyn man claims to have discovered "the fruit of toll." He says his earnings go toward making his wife a "peach."

A Swiss youth has been proved to possess two stomachs. This confirms a worldwide suspicion of youngsters of a certain age.

The British naval maneuvers may be abandoned because "war games" are proving too expensive. But there are still the militants.

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