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Benedict XV.

"Pope Pius X. is dead; Benedict XV. reigns; the Papacy still lives."

These words by Bishop Hickey, upon his return home, sum up in few words the history of today regarding the See of Peter. Popes come and go but the Papacy goes on forever.

In the election of Cardinal della Chiesa to succeed Pope Pius X. the College of Cardinals again confounded the wisecracks of the press. These gentle men, in their profound wisdom, knew all about who was to be Pope.

Moreover, the correspondents would have the world believe that the Cardinal's were intriguing and playing politics with the Papacy, just as American politicians scheme and deal over governors and presidents.

But they were confounded and a Cardinal of less than a year was selected to wear the triple tiara of St. Peter. His life, labors and achievements qualify him to assume the Papal reins at this trying moment and we, his faithful children, while mourning the death of Pius X wish ad multos annos to Benedict XV.

Welcome Home!

Both our Right Rev. Bishop and the Catholic's of Rochester were thrilled to greet each other last Friday evening - he to return home after an experience that falls to few men and they to look again upon the face of their loved Bishop.

Rochester Catholic's clergy and laity, outdid themselves in the welcome accorded Bishop Hickey. And it was more than a welcome to the head of the Diocese, although none of the respect due to the position was lacking, but it was the welcome accorded to a personal and loved friend for such is the place in our hearts held by our Bishop. He is our friend always.

Never did the Bishop's kindly nature and keen sense of his position as head of all the Catholics of this Diocese, of whatever nationality or descent, than appear in his references to the European war. Never once did he refer to the warring nations by name; he blamed no one person more than another for the war.

We are glad that our Bishop has been permitted to return to us in health and vigor. We are glad that he bears to the Catholic's of Rochester the benediction of Pope Pius X and only hope that when he goes to pay episcopal homage to Benedict XV it will be under more pleasant auspices than he left Europe in September 1914.

St. Bernard's.

Truly, we who live in Rochester do not always realize what a cosmopolitan institution we have in St. Bernard's Seminary. This year there will be 270 students entered representing Dioceses from all over the world.

Would that Bishop McQuaid might look in upon St. Bernard's this year. It would gladden his heart because he would see the fruition of his predictions made whenever his brother Bishops and some of his own clergy did not share in his enthusiasm. Verily, the first Bishop of Rochester built well when he instituted St. Bernard's and his memory will ever be perpetuated so long as the seminary exists.

And so let us never forget to pray for the students each year at St. Bernard's and also to pray for the eternal repose of the soul of its zealous founder.

Reading.

Peculiar, is it not, the singular tastes which persons possess as to what they shall or should read.

The other day we read of a Boston business man who demanded that the papers give over printing news about the war and devote the space thus saved to discussion of business and how to increase it.

So it goes. If certain persons had their way, it would be necessary to publish something like a score of different papers each devoted exclusively to a particular speciality.

To tell the truth; there are a number of men in every community who are so narrow and self-centered that they are actually to be classed as bores. They see nothing of interest beyond what they follow or enjoy and they would compel all their fellows to think along their particular line.

Business over-lords are as dangerous to a community as military over-lords.

The reception to Bishop Hickey last Friday must have confounded the bigots.

Bishop Hickey's advice to all Catholics to promote peace and neutrality by the United States, should be accepted by all Americans.

While Dr. David Jayne Hill would undoubtedly make a great United States senator, we doubt that the politicians are for him. Dr. Hill always has been more of the statesman than the practical politician.

Truly, this direct primary law is a weird and wonderful proposition.

Let us not neglect to say a prayer for our departed loved ones on Sunday if we are unable to assist in the blessing of the graves at Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

Saving consists half of avoiding waste.

Some men fall in love. Others are in love.

Lucky is the man who doesn't believe in luck.

Thinking things impossible is what makes them so.

Don't be easily scared. Even a hair casts a shadow.

Some people would rather be polite than tell the truth.

More than one throne trembles on the balance of battle.

The man with cold feet seldom travels at a rapid pace.

Make your neighbor's front yard jealous of your back yard.

Even when your wife's argument does not sound convincing, it is.

Some men are satisfied with half a loaf, and some loaf all the time.

The wolf at the door sometimes comes disguised as a bill collector.

A man who can dispose of his troubles for a consideration is a genius.

Relatively speaking, Mexico is now one of our leading peaceful countries.

It is better not to tell your troubles more than once to the same individual.

The horrors of war scarcely begin until the armies spend a winter in the field.

A shoemaker has been divorced six times. Evidently he couldn't stick to his last.

All the labor-saving devices ever invented have failed to make the loafer popular.

A few more bloody chapters are being written for the next generation's history books.

Calling a man a "genius" is often a polite way of intimating that he lacks common sense.

Bumper crops are fine, but one must be careful that they do not bump the wrong persons.

War will end kings, says Oscar Straus. It will if they stand in front of the Gallies.

About the only place in Europe where there is any "hum of industry" is in the gun factories.

The well known fact that gold is non-magnetic probably explains why so few of us attract it.

A fatalist is a man who thinks that what is to be will be and that somebody else is to blame.

What a ghastly silence must answer the roll call these days in some of those European armies!

Does the tremendous jump in the price of carbolic acid prove that carbolic acid is very hard to make?

It is said that distance lends enchantment to the view, but not to a man's view of the almighty dollar.

Holland has the advantage of being able to become a submarine country any time it chooses to cut the dikes.

A music publisher says he spent over \$5,000 to popularize a song. Still, he got many a whistle for his money.

Activities of censors show that public opinion as well as money and arms is a force to be reckoned with in warfare.

It's a doubtful satisfaction that is derived from the knowledge that one can have next week the thing one wants today.

Many American women tourists intimate that they were treated even worse abroad than at the New York customs house.

Envy is the feeling that prompts us to think the things that make life worth living are the things other people have.

The small boy in this country will call the European war a great blessing if it makes the price of castor oil prohibitive.

Among the other examples of inconsequential expenditures can be mentioned the \$1,500,000 expended for the unsalted yacht race.

Considering the other matters it has to worry about, a transatlantic liner is liable to run right through an iceberg without stopping.

Perhaps, after all, it is just as well that we have no expensive legation buildings in the capitals of Europe to be bombarded to pieces.

With a crop of 1,200,000,000 bushels of oats reported it is not likely that the equine population will complain of hard times this year.

It is given out that golf in the United States costs \$50,000,000 a year. Even so, it is cheaper than the European game of ultimatum.

The man of the hour doesn't watch the clock.

Charity never keeps up with the demand for it.

Don't give advice that you wouldn't take yourself.

Vanity covers a multitude of skins with cosmetics.

Ambition is like a boiler. If nobody fires it there's no steam.

It is better to leap before you look than never to leap at all.

A bullet headed man is not necessarily a military tactician.

This world is an iron ring on which every one cuts his eyeteeth.

Lend to one who won't repay, and you will provoke his dislike.

We hope that the affair in Europe will not go into extra innings.

Stand up for your rights if you expect others to take a back seat.

Many a man puts his foot in it when he asks a woman for her hand.

They who pine in their youth can never look spruce in their old age.

War is a most expensive luxury, and it is not much of a luxury at that.

When a man hasn't got much sense he thinks a quarrel is an argument.

How are the movies going to present a 250 mile battle front in three reels?

Solomon would have drawn the color line at painting towns red and feeling blue.

After all, we can get along pretty well without either perfumes or absinth.

Many a man can tell right from left who doesn't seem to know right from wrong.

There is no lack of German, French and English dyes on the battlefields of Europe.

The gift of gab generally demonstrates that it takes a wise man to say nothing.

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