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Ireland's Case.

A great many of us never did like George Creel as a journalist but since he left the Government service—that is in France at least—he is writing some remarkable articles. One of these appeared in a recent issue of Leslie's Weekly and is intended as a reply to Sir Edward Carson and the other Tories who argue that Ireland is a purely British domestic question and will be settled all right by the British people themselves without outside interference. Among other things Mr. Creel says:—

The constitutional struggle is no less disheartening than the military record. Gladstone first proposed Home Rule for Ireland in 1886. In 1892 he drove it through the House of Commons only to have it vetoed by the Lords. The Liberal party, accepting Home Rule as a principle, passed it through the House in 1912, 1913 and 1914, when all that it needed to become a law was the King's signature. War broke, and Redmond straightway pledged his country and his countrymen to the cause of the Allies. Six weeks later the bill was sent to the King, but with it, for signature with the same pen, went a suspensory measure postponing Home Rule's operation indefinitely. The Irish were not allowed to have a brigade of their own. Irish flags were forbidden. Irish Catholic regiments were given English and Ulster Presbyterian officers, and free speech and free press were buried under a weight of repressive laws that filled every prison for the most trivial offenses. The leaders of the Ulster rebellion—Carson, Bonar Law, Smith, Gordon, Long and others—were lifted to high places in the government, but even with it all, the war records show that a quarter million Irish fought under the banner of England.

One searches in vain for a single just reason against Irish independence. The Ulster problem is buncombe, for at every point facts dispute the claim that Ulster is solidly Protestant, solidly against Home Rule. Three Ulster counties—Donegal, Cavan and Monaghan—are so overwhelming Catholic and Home Rule that the Unionists do not even contest elections. In December last the Sinn Fein also carried Fermanagh and Tyrone, and even captured the "Protestant stronghold" of Derry City. Only in four counties did the Unionists win.

Old Adelpia College with its seven acres of land has been purchased by the Jesuit Fathers of Seattle as a site for their new college.

It was announced that the Wichita Cathedral parish needed a new school building to cost \$100,000. Of the required amount \$78,000 was subscribed inside of two hours.

Fake, Of Course!

Certain anti-Catholic fraternal and evangelical magazines have been displaying a yarn in which Secretary Tumulty, President Wilson himself and other Democratic politicians are regarded as the only and best friends of the Catholic Church in the United States. Not a few of those papers, credited the article to the "National Catholic Register" even after being advised that there is no such publication.

However, just to help any of our readers who may run across the infamous article, we republish the following interesting affidavit:—

DENVER, Colo., April 14, 1919.
MR. J. J. FARRELL, AUGUSTA, GA.
Dear Sir—The Denver Catholic Register never carried the article reprinted in the LaGrange Graph of Feb. 6, 1919, and attributed to The National Catholic Register. Nor have I ever seen such an article in the Kansas City Catholic Register, the Register of New York, the Freeman's Journal and the Register Extension of Toronto, Canada. I know of no other Catholic Registers and know that there is no such publication as the National Catholic Register. The article in question is an infamous lie, manufactured, I believe, by the Guardians of Liberty for the purpose of discrediting the Catholic Church.

I am having this letter attested by a notary. It is a criminal offense in Colorado to swear to a lie.

Sincerely yours,
MATTHEW J. W. SMITH,
Editor, Denver Catholic Register.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of April, 1919.

My commission expires April 23, 1921.

CARL P. JORDEN,
(Seal) Notary Public.

Provocation.

One of the contributing causes to "Bolshevik unrest" in this country is found in the following news article going the rounds of the illustrated supplements:—

The high cost of living has so hit Miss Lorena Carroll of New York that she has petitioned the Surrogate's Court to increase her annual allowance from \$15,000 to \$20,850. Miss Carroll is 19, and the only daughter of the late Joseph D. Carroll, millionaire horseman. Her father willed to her the income of \$15,000 until she reaches 21, and then the residue of his estate, amounting to \$1,250,000.

Her mother furnished the court with this tentative schedule of some of her daughter's expenses: Rent, \$2,000; clothing, including sport coats, evening dresses, jewelry, furs, toilet articles, etc., \$3,000; household expenses, \$4,000; insurance, \$850; maintenance of two automobiles, \$5,000; education and church, \$2,000; hotel bills, dinners, dances and amusement, \$3,000; physicians, opticians, dentists, drugs and medicines, \$1,000; total \$20,850. It is within the possibilities that Miss Carroll and perhaps her mother are among the "parlor socialists" who orate feelingly about the woes of the poor and who go about asking the mistress of the tenements how much she pays for meat and clothes and advising that macaroni is so much more nourishing than meat and costs so much less.

It is a queer world, my masters!

On June 4th Grace Voorhees was graduated from Trinity College in Washington, with highest honors. She has been blind from birth.

"For distinguished and meritorious service" reads the medal presented to Rev. John J. Burke, chairman of the executive committee of the National Catholic War Council, by Secretary Baker.

There Are Some Yet!

Evidently the Rochester "Herald" thinks all the "old fashioned" girls who knew how to keep house" have disappeared from the scene of action, to judge from the following editor-

"Miss Marjorie Hunt is arranging for a class of young girls at the teaching center at 413 Chamber of Commerce that has been established in connection with the peace and health education movement of the local Red Cross chapter. Applications have been received from a number of high school girls who will enter the class in dietetics. This course includes, in addition to the methods in preparing food for the sick, an interesting schedule of home work and management. The girls will be taught how to prepare breakfast."

We clip the foregoing paragraph from a newspaper which finds its way into The Herald's sanctum sanctorum every day. It is not necessary to identify the place of publication, since it might be written of any city between the Atlantic and Pacific. It will suffice to remind a good many people that a generation ago Mother would have taught Marjorie all that she need to know about how to prepare breakfast.

While there may not be as many as in yesteryear we beg to assure the Herald there are still mothers who know how to "keep house" and have brought up daughters to do likewise. However, the "contracting flats" and the reduced size apartments do not afford much opportunity to display much culinary skill outside "assembling of delicatessen products."

The Catholic Journal congratulates Father Bresnahan upon freeing St. Bridget's from debt.

The Elks and Moose will serve their government well if they succeed in selling \$1,500,000 of war savings stamps before the end of the year.

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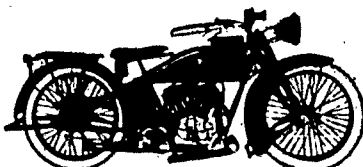
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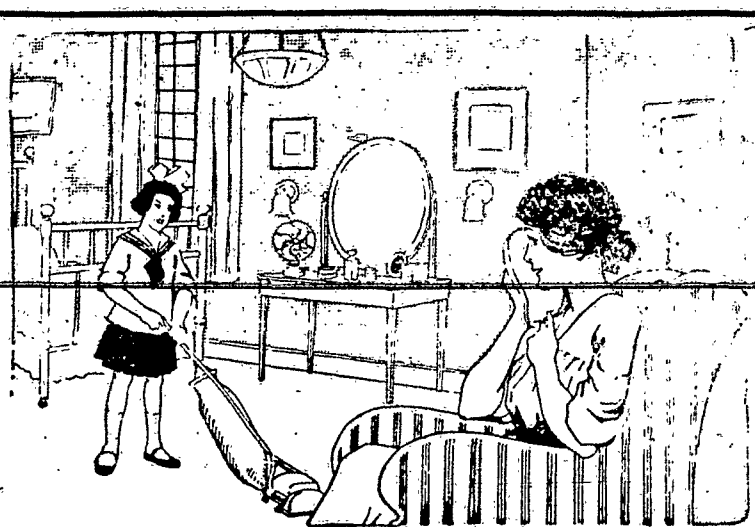
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