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Nothing To Worry.

Really, one cannot figure out why there should be such a furor over President Harding's proposal that the United States take membership in an International World's Court. Such a move was urged years ago by former President Taft, former President Roosevelt, former Secretary of State Elihu Root and scores more of leaders of American thought. It is not to be compared with entrance into the League of Nations with its reparations, mandates, acceptance of responsibility for this or that nation's wrongdoings and a more than a possibility of actually agreeing to cancel all our loans to the rest of the world and thus leave those nations free to compete against us in world trade.

The Flyless City.

If our esteemed contemporary, the Post Express, has its way, Rochester will add to the list of nation-wide appellations by which we are familiarly known that of "Flyless City". Here is the Post Express's appeal and argument: "This is the season when fly swarming should begin and the swarming should be as actively followed as if it were a means of averting an epidemic. Indeed, it may easily come about that an epidemic of some disease or other should sweep city or country because of laxity in the swatting of flies. The fly is a great disease carrier, and if there are no flies, the diseases will not be so readily carried. The work of eliminating the fly from a city is a work of distinct value and civic virtue, and the diligent swatter is a good citizen and a friend of his fellow man."

Rubbish heaps and piles of leaves or weeds that have stood all winter should be broken up and, if possible, burned. The breaking up will allow the cold to get at the dormant flies and will kill off at least some of them. If windows should be taken out of their casings for any reason during the spring work about the house, flies will be found hidden behind the stops, and opportunity will be afforded of killing flies enough to count for millions later on in the year, for flies are so prolific that one killed now may save the trouble of killing millions during the summer. Therefore every effort should be made now to kill as many as possible. Cleaning yard and house will not only do away with the flies that have survived the winter in one's own home or yard, but will also deprive of dwelling places flies that come later. Attention given to killing every fly seen and to doing away with breeding places for the pests will be well rewarded by freedom from an annoyance and danger during the summer months.

Tables Turned.

That was a clever turning of the tables on the Ku Klux leaders, related in our despatches last week from New York city, by the Long Island Knights of Columbus who turned out in force at a public meeting called to further the organization of a Klan in Floral Park.

The Ku Kluxer talker was permitted to talk an hour while managing editor P. F. Scanlan, of the Brooklyn Tablet, presided.

After the Klansman had exhausted himself Mr. Scanlan took the floor and answered the speaker so forcefully and vigorously that all the 500 persons present except 30 voted that Floral Park wanted no Klan.

That's the way to handle such gentry even in Rochester if advance notice can be had of the organization meeting. It would also give us a line on those of our neighbors and associates who might join in such a movement.

Prevention is better than cure and if we can nip the Ku Klux flower in inception that is the way to do it.

Some prophesy a wet summer. Some hold out for a cold summer. Some say it will be hot. Whatever the good Lord sends in the way of weather we will accept. And He is the only One who knows.

Capital.

It is, indeed, refreshing to read such a clear cut, well defined and keen sense of official responsibility as is displayed in industrial Commissioner Shientag's inaugural address published in the New York State Department of Labor Industrial Bulletin.

The policy of the present State Administration is to give the Labor Department adequate facilities with which to carry on its important work. Lack of help, insufficient appropriations, will no longer be an excuse for the unjustifiable delay in compensation cases and for non-compliance with important Labor Law orders which I find today.

It is up to each one of us to make good. I work hard myself and I expect the same conscientious service from all those who work with me. Do not be misled by anyone claiming to have a "pull" with the Commissioner. There is no such person. If you do the right thing, the Commissioner will stand behind you. You may expect no consideration otherwise.

I know that you will be loyal to the Department and to your superiors. There is nothing more contemptible than the betrayal of a confidence. If you have any criticism to make about the work of the department; if you have any fault to find with the way you are treated; if you have any suggestions to make for improving conditions, make them to your superior or to the head of the Department.

You will be expected to accord fair treatment to all those with whom you come into contact, whether employers or employees. Unfailing courtesy under all circumstances, no matter how great the provocation; patience and consideration for injured claimants, particularly those who do not speak our language and do not understand our procedure—these are what will make the Department the respected, useful agency of the State government that it is intended to be.

Every employee in this department will receive a square deal from the Commissioner and merit and efficiency will be given full recognition. I have tried to do this in the revised budget which I was called upon to submit within a few weeks after I took office. If I have failed to do full justice to individuals, that will be remedied at my earliest opportunity.

Archbishop Hanna is a busy man these days with his multifarious duties.

Royalty

Notwithstanding the world war was fought to rid the world of inequalities of opportunity, there appear to survive many thrones and kings and princes and other forms of hereditary nobility imposed upon the peoples of these countries without their assent or consent.

Many of these monarchs are only puppets and possess no more real authority than the potentate of an American secret society—possibly not so much.

Why then do these hereditary nobles survive since the great world war.

Possibly the Rochester Times gives the reason in the following editorial appearing in a recent issue:

The royal wedding in London, described so graphically in yesterday afternoon's dispatches, even exceeded in ceremony and display the wedding of Princess Mary, which took place last year. Should the Prince of Wales, heir to the throne, marry, still more thousands would stand patiently in line, admission to Westminster Abbey for the ceremony would be a still more cherished privilege of rank or position, private and public expenditure for gifts and dress would run yet higher.

Why, an American might ask in some bewilderment, should such a level headed, practical people as the British get so excited over their royalties? They have scarcely a shred of political power, but as a social institution, maintained at the expense of the state, the House of Windsor appears supremely popular.

Perhaps it is because of a natural, innate longing for a concrete, personal symbol. The state is an abstraction, and in Great Britain, as here, those who shout loudest about patriotism often have fish of their own to fry. Removed from the turmoil of politics, first immovably above the strivers for social positions, the British royal house appears secure amidst the crash of other thrones.

Income tax days are over but city taxes stare in the face as a May day reminder.

Congratulations to Bishop Daniel Curley upon his consecration this week as Bishop of Syracuse.

Baseball is in the center of the stage. Babe Ruth is a bigger man these days than J. P. Morgan et al.

Prohibition may have closed the saloons but it has not lessened the number of crimes and criminals.

It is not too late to enter subscriptions for the Catholic Journal.

Mother Margaret Keegan.

Mother Margaret Keegan, of the Mother of the Sacred Heart, died Monday, April 30th, at the Academy in Prince street, aged 70 years. Mother Keegan was born in New York and was educated at the convent in Manhattanville. She had served as mistress-general in many houses in this vicariate. She leaves a sister, Miss Mary Keegan, of Havana, Cuba. The funeral took place on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from the Academy Chapel. Burial was made in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Society

The Perpetual Help Society met at St. Mary's Hospital Wednesday afternoon and the following received Mrs. Martin Calihan, Mrs. Charles Murray, Mrs. William B. Morse, Mrs. D. Curran, Mrs. J. Ritz and Mrs. T. J. McAnarney. Mrs. Charles Byron presided at the tea table, assisted by Mrs. J. McKenna, Mrs. A. Lynch, Mrs. W. J. Burke, Mrs. James Cannelley and Mrs. J. Brower.

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 6.—St. John before the Latin Gate. This feast serves to recall to the faithful how when St. John was plunged into a caldron of boiling oil at the command of the Emperor Domitian, the seething liquid seemed to him only an invigorating bath. After this miraculous rescue the Saint was banished to the little island of Patmos.

Monday, May 7.—St. Stanislas, Bishop of Cracow. In order to refute slander against his honesty he on one occasion raised a dead man to life. He was slain by King Boleslas II whom he had often rebuked and finally excommunicated for scandalous excesses.

Tuesday, May 8.—The Apparition of St. Michael the Archangel. St. Michael is honored by the Church as the prince of the holy angels who opposed Lucifer and his associates in their revolt against God. He is the special protector of the Church against the assaults of the Devil.

Wednesday, May 9.—St. Gregory Nazianzen was Patriarch of Constantinople at a time when that city was distracted by Arians and other heretics. During the second General Council he resigned his see in the hope of restoring peace to the tormented city, and retired to his native town where he died in the year 390.

Thursday, May 10.—St. Antoninus, Archbishop of Florence, because of his charity was known as the "Father of the Poor". He sat as Papal Theologian at the Council of Florence.

Friday, May 11.—St. Mamertus, Archbishop of Vienne in Dauphine. He is noted for having instituted the fasts and supplications called the Rogations. On one occasion when a fire was ravaging the city and had defied the efforts of men to put it out it was miraculously quenched through the prayers of the Saint.

Saturday, May 12.—St. Epiphanius, Archbishop, was born in Palestine about 310. He entered the monastery in his native country. Later he became Bishop of Salamis in Cyprus and died in the year 403.

Bishop O'Dea, Patriot And Noted Scholar Dies at Age of 65

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Dublin, April 20.—By the death of Bishop O'Dea at the comparatively early age of 65 the Irish Hierarchy has lost one of its most distinguished members. He filled the chair of Theology in Maynooth between 1882 and 1894. In the latter year he became Vice-President. In 1903 he was made Bishop of Clonfert. Eventually he was translated to Galway.

During his time in Galway, Dr. O'Dea was instrumental in having built St. Mary's College at a cost of \$375,000. He had also taken the initial steps toward the erection of a Cathedral in the city.

He was liberal supporter of the Irish language movement and was himself a fluent Irish speaker. He acted as chairman of a committee appointed to forward the claims of Galway as a transatlantic port.

NOTRE DAME CONVENT OF CALIFORNIA TO CHANGE LOCATION

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) San Jose, Cal., April 30.—The extensive buildings and grounds of Notre Dame Convent and College, one of California's most historic institutions for the education of young women, have been sold for \$800,000, according to an announcement made here. The institution will be moved to a new site, near Belmont in San Mateo County. The Convent in the motherhouse of the Sisters of Notre Dame for this district.

Canandaigua Knights Purchase New Home

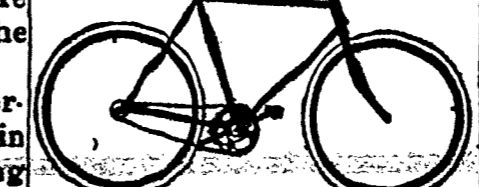
Canandaigua, May 2.—The Canandaigua Council K. of C. today purchased the Davidson Block in South Main street from the heirs of Alexander Davidson for \$35,000. The Knights recently leased the building and later decided to make it their permanent home. A building association has been organized for the purpose of taking title to the property. The ground floor, which contains two stores, will be leased to merchants and the second and third floors will be used as club rooms by the members of the Council. The directors of the holding corporation are: Jacob F. Fish, Rev. P. A. Neville, of East Bloomfield, Henry C. Kelly, Thomas P. Murray, E. T. Malone, of Victor, John Gartland, Timothy W. Lynch, John J. Johnson of Manchester, John Linehan, Rev. J. J. O'Donoghue of Clifton Springs, Robert E. Connelly of Phelps, John Flanagan of Stanley, M. W. O'Brien, Rev. William H. Darcy, and Neil Brophy, of Shortsville.

Jacob F. Fish is president of the corporation, Henry C. Kelly is vice-president, Fred S. Reed is secretary and John Gartland is treasurer.

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