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Be Generous

While \$650,000 is a large sum of money, if every Catholic man and woman and young person who is engaged in gainful occupation will contribute \$25 more than sufficient to build the Aquinas Institute will be realized.

While \$25 sounds like a large sum comparatively is not so much when two years are allowed for payment.

That is practically \$1.00 per month for 24 months or less than 25 cents per week—less than an admission to the cheap movie house—the price of one or two sodas—the price of two cigars.

How many Catholics, who are working, cannot afford 25 cents per week for two years in order that Rochester's Catholic boys may have a fitting high school building? None, is the answer.

Of course this \$25 minimum does not bar larger subscriptions from those who can afford to do more. The more that God has blessed you, the more you should be to repay a portion for His work.

Let each and every one do his full share. The sovereign grand commander of the Scottish Rite Masons argues that a Federal Department of Education would set as a great equalizer, the removal of class, the leveling of race and creed distinction. It is to be inferred that Mr. Cowles would abolish Catholic schools.

To Be or Not To Be

Whether it be in dead earnest or as a political smoke screen, the prohibition question appears to be a live and burning issue again.

The President insists that the State executives and local officers are implacable foes of this un-Christian, responsible for the laxity in enforcement of the Volstead law. The why the free lover and the divorcee are not at advocate hate, the Catholic Church all responsible; that the Volstead law is a Federal statute; that the Eighteenth Amendment is a national prohibition and that the United States Government is the proper and only enforcing agent. Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania goes further and demands that the President drop all other Presidential duties and take upon himself the enforcement of the Prohibition laws.

These facts stand out boldly. The Volstead law is not enforced; there appears widespread popular antipathy to its rigid enforcement; that Federal and state officials are engaged in the popular pastime of "passing the buck."

It is a great world, my brothers, but it cannot be denied that the bootleggers are doing a land office business at a tremendous profit.

Weakest Point

Thirty Protestant sects, represented in the Inter-Church movement which has recently made a survey of assets and liabilities say that lack of religious training is Protestantism's weakest point. In its report the inter-church movement claims that 48.3 per cent of the youth under 25 years of age are not in Sunday, precept or congregational schools.

At the same time these thirty Protestant sects find that "the Roman Catholic Church is far more alive to the importance of religious emphasis in the present situation than is the Protestant Church."

The Roman Catholic Church is supported by the many secondary schools of the Protestant denominations.

The campaign is about as usual in the proverbial clam.

A Great Task

Many important matters were discussed at the recent conference of the National Council of Catholic Men held in Cincinnati.

Charles A. McMahon, civic education director told the delegates that the magnitude of the tasks of promoting citizenship among the foreign-born in the United States is indicated, Mr. McMahon told the delegates, by the figures of the 1920 census, which disclose the fact that there were in this country at that time 13,920,692 persons of foreign birth, of whom only 6,493,088 were fully naturalized and more than 11 per cent of whom were unable to speak the English language.

The speaker referred to the failure of many post war efforts to promote citizenship among these people. This was due in his opinion to the fact that of the large number of well-meaning agencies operating in the field of civic education, only a few possess the necessary knowledge, experience and tact required in dealing with the problem of the foreign-born. Also pseudo-Americanization schemes launched in various parts of the country, the speaker stated, which were mere cloaks for most un-American undertakings, served to create in the minds of many immigrants distrust for the very idea of Americanization. A saner attitude and more practical methods were, however, now being employed.

Speaking on "Legislation affecting Catholic Institutions", Timothy S. Hogan said that Catholic institutions and Catholics as a class are adversely affected almost continuously by three things, he said:

1. Associations more or less openly antagonistic to our people along all lines of endeavor. These organizations primarily strike at the rights of citizens, as Catholics but in recent times have been inclined to extend the field of their hostile operations so as to do injury even in a business and commercial way.

2. A hostile press, including to a certain extent, but somewhat limited magazines with more or less extensive circulation.

3. Hostile legislation, as well as constantly recurring attempts at Washington, and in almost every state in the union, to enact laws that have a tendency to or do directly injure Catholic interests and prevent us from enjoying our full rights as citizens.

Of all the three sources of injury, Mr. Hogan thought the last named the most dangerous.

At It Again

So the free love advocates are to wage another campaign to force the New York State Legislature to enact a law legalizing the infamous practice of birth control. To be sure they honey their plea with a coat of higher hygiene, etc but legislation of birth control is their real goal.

It is to be regretted that society women so-called and college professors are lending their aid and sanction to this nefarious propaganda.

Of course Catholic women are not joining in the propaganda nor will they be invited openly to do so. One State executive and local officers are implacable foes of this un-Christian, responsible for the laxity in enforcement of the Volstead law. The why the free lover and the divorcee are not at advocate hate, the Catholic Church all responsible; that the Volstead law is a Federal statute; that the Eighteenth Amendment is a national prohibition and that the United States Government is the proper and only enforcing agent. Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania goes further and demands that the President drop all other Presidential duties and take upon himself the enforcement of the Prohibition laws.

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The Real Reason

An anonymous writer contributes the following tribute to the Blessed Sacrament and reason for frequent reception of Holy Communion:

A Protestant minister, who admired the heroism and wonderful success of the Sisters of Charity in caring for the sick and the unfortunate, was desirous of starting similar works of charity. He therefore applied to the superior general of these Sisters for information. The superior general took him through a number of their institutions and gave him all the necessary information and explanations concerning their working. When the minister was about to take his leave, the superior general said to him: "My dear sir, I am sorry to say, you will never succeed."

"Why not?" "Because, although you can imitate the machinery of these institutions, you do not possess the fuel to make it go?" By the fuel she meant holy communion, which alone promotes and keeps up the heroism requisite for such works.

One wise old owl, the Hon. Albert M. Flannery, Secretary of His Honor the Mayor.

"Wings of Fancy"

A recent movie film depicted daring feats of aviation so vividly that, while they looked improbable, the audience were forced to believe they really happened and that the author was a past master of aeronautics.

In reality the author never sailed the air but was possessed of a super-vivid imagination. The "Democrat & Chronicle" points a moral thus wise:—

We have people claiming, and getting, public attention who are so imaginative of what they could do with public affairs, if only they could pilot them on the wings of fancy, that they talk convincingly and almost persuade some people that they really could do the things they promise. But as a matter of fact, when they get at the real machinery of affairs, they show complete ignorance of how to run it.

In the picture the real aviator comes down in order to save his neck from the wild maneuvers of the pseudo-aviator. He says there is too little room in the air. But crowding public affairs of a practical sort out of head-room by wild experimental maneuvering would be highly dangerous for public welfare.

Says the "Western Catholic": "The success of Catholic colleges in the spirit of the religious community. They can give to each professor that charge for which he is best fitted and within his proper sphere allow him full rein. By the spirit of supernatural obedience he knows his place and his limitations and through that humility which is the handmaid of all virtue he aspires to nothing more than what is expressed in the will of his superiors. In this way the Catholic college can use to its fullness the special graces and talents of each teacher and at the same time hold him so in check that he will not hamper or hinder the work of his fellows."

Russia is a democracy where the government is conducted directly by the people. The United States is a republic in which the sovereignty resides in the people and the administration is lodged in officers elected by and representing the people. Which do you prefer?

It is expected that there will be a notable convocation of Knights of Columbus at Oswego on November 4, which the Fourth Degree will be exemplified.

There are six amendments to the state constitution to be voted on at the coming election. Unless one has had opportunity to study into these propositions the safest course will be to vote no. The present state constitution will permit us to do business and it is a safe plan to avoid tinkering with the constitution unless change is absolutely necessary. Especially it is an unsafe proposition to amend the constitution piecemeal.

Samuel Gompers knows what persecution of the Klux type means hence it was to be expected that under his leadership the American Federation of Labor would denounce bigots and bigotry.

So the Niagara County Kluxers carry guns as well as wear masks. Other criminal crackmen are serving time for being connected with such a combination.

Colorado statutes make it difficult for the Catholic priest to obtain sacramental wine. But it is so easy for any man or woman, no matter how bad their character to obtain a divorce. Oregon would banish Catholic schools and there the percentage of divorces to marriage is 1 in 3!

Cheap partisanship never enhanced the reputation of a newspaper.

The American Legion's new commander-in-chief is named Quinn.

Where Bananas Come From. The ordinary fruit-stand banana is grown chiefly in Jamaica, Costa Rica and other parts of tropical America. Some attempt has been made to grow them in California, Louisiana and in other states with warm climates, but this is more or less of an experiment because the plant cannot endure the slightest frost. As a novelty, a few banana plants have borne fruit in colder climates, but under special protection. It is interesting to note that the best and most tasty bananas are not known to most of us because they are too perishable to ship any distance. In the East Indies there are bananas that grow over a foot long and about two inches thick. These are not exported, but are used for home consumption.

Soothing an Indignation. "Isn't there any way of quieting this man who is always making such a fuss about being a taxpayer?" "Only one that I know of," answered Senator Sorghum. "I'm doing the best I can to get him a job somewhere as a tax collector."

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)—Sunday, October 28.—Sts. Simon and Jude. Simon was a simple Galilean called by Our Lord to be one of the pillars of His Church. Armed with great zeal he went forth to the combat against unbelief and sin and made conquest of many souls. St. Jude was a brother of St. James the Less. He preached first in Mesopotamia and later he and Simon met in Persia where they won their crown together.

Monday, October 29.—St. Narcissus, Bishop was consecrated Bishop of Jerusalem about the year 180. One Holy Saturday when there was no oil in the lamps for the Paschal feast, the Saint told the faithful to draw water from the neighboring well and praying over it told them to pour it into the lamps. It was changed into oil. The Saint was falsely accused by three enemies and withdrew secretly to the desert. But when his accusers were confounded and suffered the terrible penalties they had called down upon themselves if their accusations were proved untrue, God called Narcissus back to Jerusalem to resume his office.

Tuesday, October 30.—St. Marcellus, the Centurian martyr, was thrown into prison because while a captain in the legion of Trajan, he refused to take part in the impious celebration of the birthday of the Emperor Maximian Hercules. He was beheaded October 30, 198.

Wednesday, October 31.—St. Quintin, Martyr, was descended from a Roman senatorial family. Full of zeal for the faith, he made his way into Gaul attended by St. Lucian of Beauvais. Quintin established himself at Amiens where he was imprisoned and after being cruelly tortured, was beheaded in 287.

Thursday, November 1.—All Saints The Church pays day by day, a special veneration to some one of the holy men and women who have helped established it by their blood, develop it by their labors, or edify it by their virtues. But, in addition to those whom the Church honors by special designation, or has inscribed on her calendar, how many martyrs are there whose names are not recorded! How many humble virgins and holy penitents! How many just and holy anchorites or young children snatched away in their innocence. How many Christians who have died in grace, whose merits are known only to God and who are themselves known only in Heaven! These remember us in their intercessions and we should not forget them.

Friday, November 2.—All Souls When Our Lord inspired St. Odilo, Abbot of Cluny, towards the end of the tenth century to establish in his Order a general commemoration of all the faithful departed, it was soon adopted by the whole Western Church and has been continued unceasingly to our day. Let us then ever bear in mind the dead and offer up our prayers for them. By showing this mercy to the suffering souls in Purgatory, we shall be particularly entitled to be treated with mercy at our departure from this world.

Saturday, November 3.—St. Hubert, Bishop, in his early youth was passionately devoted to hunting. Moved by divine grace he renounced the world and was ordained by St. Lambert, Bishop of Maltricht. When the latter was murdered in 681, St. Hubert was chosen to succeed him. He preached the Gospel in the remote places of Ardenne and God blessed him with the gift of miracles. He died May 30, 727.

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Movie of Aching Tooth. An aching tooth in action is the latest subject for the movies in France. It is in a film used in a crusade to improve the teeth of the people. The film pictures a throbbing nerve in its most excruciating stages, and those who saw the picture attest to its vivid accuracy.

Rats Destroy Coconuts. Serious damage throughout the vast coconut groves of British Honduras has been discovered to be due to rats which climb the trees during the dry season and attack young coconuts to quench their thirst.

REMEMBER that story BENJAMIN FRANKLIN told on himself? When he was a little boy he bought a tin whistle. Later he found out that the price he paid for it was a little too strong—he was the victim of a profiteer. Since FRANKLIN it has often been said, "He paid too dear for his whistle," when a person is too eager to get rid of his money and does not measure values. We have noticed that Bank Accounts are owned by people who "look around" a little when they want to buy whistles and things. Let's have more old fashioned thrift. Rochester Savings Bank Established 1831

Individuality In Shoes? Certainly! Why not have them different? You are cordially invited to come in and see the shoes that are different at economy prices. Every shoe a bargain at its price. \$6.50 to \$16.50 Gould, Lee & Webster Main Street at East Ave.

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