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Women Awake!

Once again the Margaret Sanger's reinforced and upheld by certain would-be society leaders and childless women who want all their sisters to be in their class, have renewed the fight to have the Legislature of New York legalize Child murder under the specious mask of "birth control".

The Union and Times so strongly but justly dissects this renewed attack that we reproduce it as follows:—

In Utica on January 16th, the State League of Women Voters passed a resolution by a large majority favoring amendment of the law which "prohibits the giving of birth control information" and which "results in keeping scientific information on the subject from a large portion of the population."

Ordinarily one might say that the prohibition placed upon the knowledge of birth-control methods would never obtain the desired end if we were to judge by the prohibition placed upon other things. But in the case of birth-control, a strict, uncompromising statute rigorously enforced by federal, state and local authorities can check a vice, which, if not prevented, will lead the nation into the same fate of Tyre and Sidon, Sodom and Gomorrah.

It is not a question of shall we block the diabolical tenets of Mrs. Sanger and her lemons incarnate. We must. The evil of today is the wife of tomorrow. The word wife simply means the lawful consort of a man. The word mother signifies a woman who has borne a child; who has brought into God's great universe another temple of the Holy Spirit, within which resides an immortal soul; who has suffered and wept that the human race might be propagated; who has gone to the very door of death to bring forth a life. The word mother is the grandest, the loftiest, the most inspiring word that human language may invent. Her fame has been sung in song and story and down through the Christian ages she has been exalted with every token of honor and respect. But a few, criminally inclined, unhonorable and immoral wives and maidens puffed with vanity and absorbed with the pleasures of a tinsel world, would drag her from the pedestal of glory and lower her into the cesspool of bawdry. Bah! on the abortive-minded charlatans who would create the spectacle in the present generation of a pagan brute devouring her children.

It would not do to let Senator Walsh, of Montana carry off all the oil of inquiry honors, so an Ohio democrat, named Pomerene, is detailed by the President to act as official prosecutor and bask in the limelight of publicity.

It is well in this day and age to beware of the lying deceitful tongue, beware of the loose tongue. If you cannot say good of your friend and neighbor, hold your tongue. It is better than possible spread of scandal.

We are waiting for the senate to meet to smother a scandal over the annual and households of the air.

A Warning

Signs are not wanting that thinking people in the western States do not desire that their states follow the example of Oregon and endeavor to banish not only Catholic parochial schools but all private educational institutions. Witness this dispatch from Seattle, Washington:—

Seattle, Wash.—That the people of Washington recognize the Ku Klux Klan as the inspiration and motive power of the campaign to abolish private schools through initiative legislation is indicated by the following editorial from the Seattle Daily Times:

"The people of Washington should consider well the disastrous consequences of enacting the Ku Klux Klan initiative measure which proposes to abolish all private and parochial schools of this state."

"It seems impossible that a sufficient number of citizens could be found in Washington so oblivious to their own interests and so imbued with racial hatred and religious intolerance, to make the initiative effective, yet we have before us the spectacle of a neighboring State which accepted the specious arguments of the Klan."

"Washington should not repeat Oregon's mistake, which will become more obvious as its evil effects are felt."

"There are many reasons why Washington should not follow that course, but two principal reasons should be convincing."

"First, it would take away from parents the right to say how their children should be educated; it would mean the abrogation of rights which every American now holds sacred."

"Second, it would mean the needless destruction and waste of millions of dollars now invested in private schools and would throw a burden on the public school system which it is not prepared to bear."

Light

Engineers and scientific experts for the last decade or so have been investigating the complaint of many workers that there was too much light in the shop or in the open-air that their eyes suffered in consequence.

According to the Illuminating Engineering Society of America, in a recent report, the brightest artificial illumination now possible is but a feeble counterfeit of the sun's light.

And that what the workers complain of really is that their eyes are strained and affected by the glare—that is the reflection of light on a light surface or snow or ice.

According to the Illuminating Engineers, it is impossible to have too much light.

If the earth's population of two billion people were fattened in one huge group, and if each person had a billion electric lamps of one billion candlepower each, the light from all of these lamps would approximate that of the sun.

If it were desired to illuminate the entire earth electrically as brightly as the sun lights it on a summer day, and assuming perfect reflectors for each lamp so that no light would be lost in space, it would have to be done as follows:

With the population evenly distributed over the earth's surface, each person would occupy a square approximately 500 feet on a side. Then, if each person in each square had one million modern 1000-watt electric lamps, and if all the light from every lamp were reflected toward the earth, it would be illuminated to a degree approaching that of light intensity the sun gives.

By eliminating glare, rather than by reducing the amount of light, illuminating engineers hope to solve the problem of producing adequate artificial light without inducing eyestrain. If they can accomplish that object, they will have gone a long way toward reducing to the vanishing point the trials of long winter nights in this latitude.

Too many men and women pay too little attention to the seeming trifles of life. There's a story of Michael Angelo, the great sculptor, which is much to the point. A friend found him one day working industriously at a statue that looked to be perfect. Michael was chipping away with his chisel, chipping away at almost infinitesimal bits of marble. The friend asked him why he bothered with such trifles, that his work was already completed. "Ah," said the immortal artist, "trifles make perfection and perfection is no trifle."

It is astonishing how some of our Rochester statesmen try to dodge the publicity spotlight!

Rochester will open the baseball season for the International League in April. Fine if it does not snow!

WILSON

(First Verse)

Chosen Soothsayer by the European Wiseacres, to prevent the future Zig Zag of the Rhine. And the World's Peace 'gainst war assured, all as a unit stood to sign your dotted line. They coaxed you and cajoled you, in a make believe your plans were fine. Till they picked your fourteen points to pieces, naught been left but the dotted line. Evasive were their answers, and vague excuses they would coin. When you tried them with the acid test, here sign Christ's Dotted Line.

(Second Verse)

Wilson, your fame will live forever, and your glorious efforts When Nation's great respect the weak, and sign your dotted line. Your smile of resignation, to relieve your broken body from Greed's Empolign. And your last words by Faith immortalized, I am ready to sign God's Dotted Line. Leaving for time and peacefulness, the Nations selfishness to Crystallize. And not the power at your command, to make them sign your dotted line.

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Washington

Once again we celebrate the birthday of the first President of the United States, "the Father of His Country."

Would that all Americans today were possessed of the traits of George Washington. Would they all were imbued with his manly qualities and his tolerance. One may feel certain of one thing. Were he alive today George Washington's name would not be found on the rolls of the Ku Klux Klan. Washington respected the religious trend of all the people and upheld freedom of conscience and personal liberty.

And as we read again the lives of Washington and Lincoln let us hold aloft the torch of freedom of conscience and speech and resolve that, come what may, we never will relinquish the right to worship God as we will and that if necessary we will battle for that privilege.

Nauseating

Nauseating is the only way to characterize the sensation left after perusal of the sinister tales of how the people of this Republic, all of them, have been betrayed by the human vultures who have radiated out from the national capital all over the land, sticking their mercenary talons into the people's resource.

Says the Los Angeles Tidings: Our daily newspapers are becoming the oracles of non-dogmatic religion. Every fad and fancy is championed and always in the name of free thought, or spiritual liberty, or some other meaningless epithet. There is a certain danger in the attitude of the press, because it is considered and not by the ignorant only to be a sort of general depository of wisdom. Whatever the paper says must be right. This is the view of thousands, and of thousands who ought to know better.

The Catholic Journal extends sympathy to Chief Joseph M. Quigley in the death of his sister the mother general of the Grey Nuns. Hers was a busy, useful life as was that of her other distinguished brother the late Archbishop James M. Quigley. May she rest in peace.

President Coolidge may have thought he fell heir to a peaceful inheritance but his mind is disabused of that impression.

Maurice Francis Egan was at once a real litterateur, a high minded American gentleman, a successful diplomat and a loyal, practical Catholic. Men of his stamp are not found in plenty these days.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF FEAST DAYS

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)

Sunday, Feb. 24.—St. Matthias, was elected to take the place of Judas to complete the number of the Apostles. He was noted for the rigor with which he practiced mortification of the flesh.

Monday, Feb. 25.—St. Tarasius, because of his great talents was chosen to be first Secretary of State to the Emperor Constantine and to the latter's mother, the Empress Irene. He was made Patriarch of Constantinople and took part in the Council of Nice. He died in 806.

Tuesday, Feb. 26.—St. Porphyry Bishop, was a rich citizen of Thessalonica who sought retirement in Palestine. He was ordained and later became Bishop of Gaza where he distinguished himself by the destruction of heathen temples and the erection of churches.

Wednesday, Feb. 27.—St. Leander, was a member of a noble Spanish family who became Bishop of Seville. Through his efforts the Vis-

goths and Suevo were converted from Arianism. He died in the year 596.

Thursday, Feb. 28.—Sts. Romanus and Lupicinus, abbots, were brothers who retired to the forests of Mount Jura where they were joined by many holy men. They founded the convent of Le Beaume and several monasteries.

Friday, Feb. 29.—St. Oswald, Bishop, was of a noble Saxon family and was endowed with rare beauty of body and singular piety of soul. He embraced the religious life, taking the habit of St. Benedict. Having been appointed to the See of Worcester he introduced many reforms and was later successful in like manner as Archbishop of York. He died in 932.

Saturday, March 1.—St. David, Bishop, was elected Bishop of Caerleon but removed his see to Menevia. It is related that Our Lord appeared to him at the time of his death in the year 561.

English Catholic Soldier's Sentence Remitted By General

London, Eng.—Corporal Ernest Frank Wood, of the British Army, who was tried and sentenced by court-martial for refusing to fall in with Church of England soldiers on church parade, has had the sentence of the Court remitted by the War Office on the intervention of Bishop Keatinge, Catholic Bishop of the British Army.

Corporal Wood, who is a Catholic, refused to carry out his duty on conscientious grounds when ordered to accompany the Protestant soldiers to church. The Army authorities allege that he misunderstood the position, he being required only to accompany the soldiers on church parade and not to be present at the Anglican service.

The matter was taken up with the authorities by Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Member of Parliament for Liverpool; Mr. Keatinge also intervened, with the result that the sentence was remitted. While admitting that the General Commanding acted with mercy and generosity in remitting the sentence, Bishop Keatinge declares that Anglicans are sufficiently numerous in the British Army to make it unnecessary for a Catholic non-commissioned officer to be detailed for church escort.

Man Who Drafted Washington School Bill Dies Suddenly

Seattle, Washington.—Donald Carlos Smith, the Tacoma lawyer who drafted and filed the petition for an initiative measure aimed at the destruction of parochial and other private schools in this state is dead, having succumbed suddenly to heart disease. At the funeral, which was held privately from an undertaking establishment and was attended by few persons, a Tacoma minister declared that the dead man had started a great work and "we shall carry it on." Several floral pieces were emblems of the Ku Klux Klan.

Bishop Hoban Made Vicar-General Chicago.—The Right Reverend Edward F. Hoban, D. D., auxiliary bishop of Chicago, has been appointed the active vicar-general of the archdiocese by Archbishop Mundelein, according to announcement from the archdiocese.

Very Rev. M. Fitzsimmons, pastor of the Holy Name Cathedral, becomes vicar-general emeritus.

Missionary Exposition Brussels, Feb. 11.—The Belgian Union of the Clergy for the Support of Missions has organized a Missionary Exposition to be held in the Egmont Palace from February 6 to 18. The exposition will be devoted to every kind of missionary work.

Texas University Bars From Service All Unbelievers

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)

Austin, Texas.—The board of regents of the University of Texas, the state university, has adopted, in the form of a resolution, a regulation which bars from its employment in any capacity any person who does not believe in God. Dr. William Seneca Sutton, president of the university and himself an officer in a Christian church, advised against the resolution. It was adopted by a vote of 7 to 1.

The resolution follows: "Be it resolved by the board of regents that no infidel, atheist or who passed away at Enghien (Belgium) be employed in any capacity in the University of Texas, and that, while no sectarian qualifications known and extremely large family of shall ever be required of persons now serving or who shall in future be elected or appointed to positions in this institution, no person who does not believe in God as the Supreme Being and the Ruler of the universe shall hereafter be employed or at any time continue in office or position of any character in this university."

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519 Near Relatives

Invited To Funeral Of Belgian Priest

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