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The Catholic Journal issues this week besides its regular eight pages of up-to-date interesting Catholic News, a supplement of seventy-two pages and cover containing a summary of the progress, growth and expansion of Catholicism in Rochester and environs, from early days to the present.

This Review Edition is offered as a research work published solely through the untiring efforts of the Catholic Journal, whose columns for thirty-four years, have strenuously advocated those things which tend to advance the faith and rebound to the glory of God and His Holy Church.

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Splendid

Gratifying indeed is the announcement from Grand Knight Barnes that every member of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus will be expected tomorrow to receive Holy Communion and then join in a "Communion breakfast" in Convention Hall.

Other Councils have been doing this for years—and much surprise has been occasioned that Rochester did not do so.

However, better late than never and it is gratifying that the start has been made and it is hoped it will be an annual event.

What a splendid example to the entire city will be afforded when 4,000 practical Catholics assemble on Sunday to give public testimony of their faith and of loyalty to Holy Mother Church.

Let no Rochester Knight be absent.

Dawes

One of the picturesque figures of the incoming administration will be the new Vice-President.

Charles G. Dawes is the antithesis of Calvin Coolidge, apparently. The President is taciturn, Dawes ranks as voluble, to say the least.

The President is cautious and careful. Dawes is impulsive and rash. While Dawes is able to keep still as presiding officer of the Senate? That is a question often asked.

However the old timer politicians and political writers will recall that General Dawes was one of the chief factors in nominating William McKinley in 1896, yet the world did not know it.

If Dawes could keep silent about with a reverence and was a political pupil of Mark Hanna, it is well within his possibilities that he will be able to exert considerable influence upon the United States Senate when he does not have a vote there.

Vernon B. Murphy, of Rochester, was the first citizen of this county to lead the cause of elective State officers.

It is interesting indeed, to have Mr. Murphy with us as of late an appearance.

Alfred E. Smith

There is no doubting the fact that Alfred E. Smith is one of the most popular men in the United States. His re-election as Governor, one of the few men ever elected to that office for a third term has emphasized this fact. The expressions of satisfaction at his re-election even from political opponents and the expressions from all parts of the country testify to the public esteem in which this typical American, this thoroughly human chap, this well equipped, conscientious and honest public official is held by thousands of his countrymen.

This is exceedingly appreciated by Alfred E. Smith's friends after the unwarranted attacks made upon him in the now historical Democratic National Convention of 1924.

It is their wish and they are confident their wish will come true that Governor Smith's third term will be as successful as the other two and that he will always stand before the public as he does today, a typical American man.

Elbert H. Gary

Judge Elbert H. Gary is one of the central figures of the world in manufacturing and finance, occupying as he does the positions of chairman of the board of directors and chairman of the finance committee of the United States Steel Corporation.

Therefore, when he gives out an interview on any matter his views are read with interest.

Recently, Mr. Gary said that if the manufacturers of steel all over the world had been permitted to form an international steel institute as was proposed along in 1914, the great world war might have been averted. His idea was that if the steel men had arrived at an understanding that the Americans would not invade Europe or the Europeans compete in America, they would not have been so anxious to sell their products in each others domain and hence would have thrown their strength and influence against way.

But the United States Government sought to dissolve the United States Steel Corporation, the leading spirit in the international conference, a monopoly on restraint of trade and it was not until 1920, after the world war that that suit failed and European conditions have prevented up to date the reconvening of the conference.

If mutual agreement and understanding between steel manufacturers and dealers will operate for world peace, by all means let us have such an agreement and understanding.

The value of the incident is that even the men of finance and business are finding out that he serves himself best who first serves his brother.

Safety First

It is a splendid declaration that has been made by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the order to its railroad systems of the United States to install automatic train stops on 59,000 miles of trackage.

While the death toll exacted by automobiles and dangerous machinery is appalling, the death toll in railroad operation is also appalling. It has been asserted that automatic train stops would reduce this latter death toll but the cry has been that the cost is prohibitive. However the Commission finds that this cost has been reduced by new machinery and by reduced cost of production and also that the railroads are sufficiently prosperous to permit of a beginning of installation of automatic train stops.

James J. Davis

It is to be hoped that the report, that James J. Davis is to retire from the President's Cabinet are unfounded.

President Harding made a "ten strike" when he made James J. Davis Secretary of Labor. He knew the aims and feelings of the toiler while he had sensed out the feeling and prejudices of the employer. Davis had no patience with the talk of war between Capital and Labor. He knew there was no such thing but that there might be between the owners and operators of Capital and the owners and operators of Labor.

So he set out to bring the two together and he has succeeded in great measure.

Davis should continue as Secretary of Labor after March 4, 1925.

Queer, is it not that Charles G. Dawes should denounce the LaFollette campaign and be elected while John J. McInerney, who followed a similar tactics, was defeated?

Well, winter held off quite a while after he customarily puts in an appearance.

Weekly Calendar Of Feast Days

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) Sunday, November 16.—St. Edmund of Canterbury, left his home at Abingdon when he was only twelve years old and went to Oxford to study. By a vow of chastity and the spousal of himself to Mary he protected himself against many grievous temptations. He was raised to the See of Canterbury in 1234 and thereafter he fearlessly defended the rights of the Church, menaced by the avarice and greed of Henry III. When he was unable to force the king to relinquish the living which he kept vacant for the benefit of the royal treasury, Edmund retired into exile. He was canonized in 1246, less than four years after his death.

Monday, November 17.—St. Gregory Thaumaturgus, was a native of Pontus, born of heathen parents. He studied and was converted under the tutelage of the great Origen. Later he became Bishop of Neo-Caesarea. St. John the Evangelist appeared to him in a vision and imparted to him the Creed which expounded the doctrine of the Trinity. St. Gregory died in 270.

Tuesday, November 18.—St. Odoric of Cluny, came of a noble family of Aquitaine. Disregarding his father's desire for him to have a distinguished career at Court, he embraced the religious life taking the habit of St. Benedict at Baume. Later he became Abbot of Cluny. The Pope frequently made use of his abilities as a peace-maker among the various warring princes. It was on one of these missions that he was taken ill at Rome and carried back to Tours where he died.

Wednesday, November 19.—St. Elizabeth of Hungary, was the daughter of the King of that country. She was also a niece of St. Hedwig in infancy she was betrothed to Louis, Landgrave of Thuringia and brought up in his father's court. During her husband's lifetime she devoted her great wealth and power to charitable purposes. When he died, however, she was driven from the Palace and forced to wander in the streets with her children. She died in 1231 at the age of twenty-four.

Thursday, November 20.—St. Felix of Valois was the son of the Count of Valois. An iniquitous divorce of his parents led the young man to take the Cistercian habit at Clairvaux. He lived for a time as a hermit in Italy and then returned to France where, after another period of solitude, he and St. John of Matha formed the Order of the Holy Trinity. This order was devoted to the redemption of Christian captives; it was confirmed by Pope Innocent III the Saint died in 1213.

Friday, November 21.—The Immaculate of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is an ancient tradition that the Blessed Virgin Mary was solemnly offered to God in the Temple in her infancy. The tender soul of Mary was even then adorned with the most precious graces, an object of astonishment and praise to the angels and of the highest pleasure to the adorable Trinity, the Father looking upon her as His beloved daughter, the Son as one chosen and prepared to become His Mother, and the Holy Ghost as His darling spouse.

Saturday, November 22.—St. Cecilia, virgin, who was martyred in 177, was a beautiful and wealthy patrician maiden of Rome. On her wedding night she renewed the vow by which she had consecrated her virginity to Christ. Her husband was converted by her words and faith. A few days later he was martyred. Cecilia herself was placed in a hot bath heater to seven times the customary temperature but was unharmed after a day and a night. She was dispatched with the sword but remained with her head half severed for two days and nights.

P. J. Conlon Elected To Executive Board On Industry Problems

Washington, Nov. 7.—Peter J. Conlon of Mt. Ida, Va., has been elected vice-president and member of the Executive Committee of the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems, to succeed John A. Voll, who died recently. The announcement was made here following a referendum to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Conlon is vice-president of the International Association of Machinists, and is a veteran organizer of the machinists. He represented his union in the establishment of the "Glenwood plan" for cooperation between the management and unions. Peoples Eucharistic League of St. Enns-railroad shops, and at the recent convention of the Conference delivered an address on this scheme. He is also vice-president of a labor bank in Virginia.

Bernard Shaw Calls On England To Free Ulster's Prisoners

Dublin, Nov. 1.—Calling attention to the cases of Irish prisoners, all practically from the six counties of Northern Ireland, undergoing long sentences in British jails, Mr. Bernard Shaw writes:—

"It is a delightful novelty, for Englishmen to face a general election without having their own heavy grievances thrust into the background by the comparatively bearable ones of Ireland, but I have just come across an Irish document which directly concerns the British taxpayer, and which may as well be dealt with before any change of Government which may possibly result from the election.

"In 1922 the 'Ulster' Government had to resort to that policy of frightfulness for which we strenuously reproached the Germans without finding ourselves able to refrain from imitating ourselves under due provocation.

"The British electorate, no doubt believes that in this particular instance it is in a position to say to 'Ulster' 'What is that to us? See about that.' But this is a mistake. The thrifty Protestants of Belfast always more than a match for the British lamb, not only dealt out the most appalling sentences of imprisonment on all the insurgent Republicans and Anti-Partitionist Freestaters they captured, but, on the plea that they had no convict prisons, dumped their catch on the British taxpayer, who instead of simply saying 'Well, if you have no prisons, why don't you build some?' freely allowed the prisoners to be shovelled into Peterhead Jail, and then apparently forgot about them.

"At all events there they are a presentment against their own wills, being fed, lodged, clothed, and duly made miserable at the expense of this most glibble of islands.

"From the list which has come into my hands I find that we are entertaining unawares 36 men sentenced to 233 years' imprisonment (an average of 6 1/2 years apiece) made up of eight comparatively tender-hearted sentences of three years (now expiring) and the rest culminating in two sentences of ten years, two of fifteen and one of 21 on a gentleman from Galway whose presumably monstrous paleface baffles the imagination, for how a man could deserve 21 years' imprisonment and yet be fit to live is a question beyond answering. It is clear that these sentences were mere incidents of a white terror, the necessity for which need not now be disputed.

"What admits of no dispute is that as the terror has served its turn and is done with, and the leaders in the conflict have been released there is no excuse for detaining these less noted guests of Britain, as reluctant as they are unwelcome, any longer.

"The three year sentences having been served all alike, the sentences of 7, 8, 10, 15 and 21 years are now barbarous nonsense and should be remitted, with apologies for the stern necessities of civil war, at once.

Catholic Schools Invited To Enter \$1,000 Competition

Washington, Nov. 7.—The aid of the Education Bureau of the N. C. W. C. has been asked in distributing among the Catholic schools of the country information concerning the \$1,000 prize contest being conducted by the Health Education Division of the American Child Health Association, which numbers among its members some of the most distinguished doctors of the country.

The plan of the Division is to ask all high schools to submit studies of their school health programs. Three prizes, totaling \$3,000, will be awarded the three high schools showing the best programs, and it is hoped to publish some helpful suggestions taken from the plans submitted. The N. C. W. C. Bureau has announced that Miss Mary Spencer, its health education specialist, who also is a member of the American Child Health Association, will provide data on the contest upon application from Catholic high schools.

League To Encourage Daily Communicants

Cincinnati, Nov. 6.—To encourage daily communion among the laity the Rev. Francis T. Culley, has been appointed spiritual director of the Peoples Eucharistic League of St. Peter's Cathedral. A priest is present in the Cathedral every 15 minutes between 6 and 8 a. m. to give communion. Members of other parishes may join the League.

Santa Clause Makes Ready To Pay Annual Visit To Ellis Island

(By N. C. W. C. News Service) New York, Nov. 7.—Little girls at Ellis Island, in New York harbor, waiting to land, grow up and become United States citizens, will want 500 ten-inch dolls this year. Little boys, similarly waiting, will want 600 boys.

This has been determined by the prospective Santa Clauses at the Island, the various welfare agencies, of which the N. C. W. C. Immigration Department is one. There are other agencies conduct each year, and these collect the required articles from whoever will send them in.

The strangeness of the Christmas party on Ellis Island consists in the fact that few gifts are not second hand, and almost none costs more than thirty-five cents, yet there is as much glee among the recipients as there is at the most gorgeous party in the land.

The list this year is as follows: ten-inch dolls, celluloid dolls for the hospital, 500; toys for boys (marbles barred), 600; strings of beads, 500; cretine sewing bags, 400; ging-ham aprons, 500; bath towels, 500; neck ties, 500. Individual wrappings are not wanted, and parcel post is the desired way of shipping. The Catholic agency's address is N. C. W. C. Social Service Room, Ellis Island, New York Harbor.

Cases of dire necessity often lends patron to the party. That has caused the N. C. W. C. people to append the fact that two of the greatest needs at the Island are those homely articles of clothing, trousers and shoes. There is on record one case where an immigrant went forth clad in an ancient dress suit only, and was glad to have that. At another time there were 200 stowaways, with an average of less than two articles of clothing each. What clothing is not given out at Christmas is used through the year.

Antigonish College To Receive \$1,000,000 Under McNeil Will

Boston, Nov. 5.—St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish, N. S., will receive from \$800,000 to \$1,000,000 under the terms of the will of the late Nell McNeil which was allowed by the courts here this week.

Objections interposed by some of the McNeil heirs have been withdrawn. When McNeil died in 1921 it was found that he had bequeathed his income from his estate to seventeen nieces and nephews during their lifetime with the proviso that the estate itself should then go to the College. Some of the heirs took steps to contest the will on the ground that undue influence had been exerted upon McNeil by officials of the College.

Bishop Celebrates Mass For Fr. Kuebler

Cleveland, Nov. 6.—Funeral services for Rev. Jacob Kuebler were held in St. John's cathedral Nov. 4. Bishop Joseph Schrembs was celebrant of solemn requiem Mass. Father Kuebler was born in Tiffin 75 years ago and died a few days ago after an illness of a year. Prior to entering St. Alexis hospital for treatment Father Kuebler was chaplain at St. Mary's institute. Other appointments included parishes in cities outside of Cleveland. Burial was in Tiffin.

Youngstown Church Cornerstone Laid

Youngstown, Ohio, Nov. 7.—The cornerstone for the new combination church and school of St. Dominic's parish was laid by Bishop Joseph Schrembs on Sunday Very Rev. Michael J. Ripple preached. The occasion was regarded as a historical in the diocese because of less than two articles of priests of the Dominican order, in charge of this parish, were among pioneer missionaries in northern Ohio.

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