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**November**

During this month of November,  
the month especially dedicated to the  
suffering souls, let us not forget to  
pray for the Souls in Purgatory.

If we have no loved ones of our  
own on the other side—and who has  
not—there are countless other poor  
souls who do need our prayers and  
will be benefited by them.

Prayers for the dead have been  
recognized and practiced for centur-  
ies. The Jews still retain the prac-  
tice. Our separated brethren are re-  
turning to the practice.

It is a solace and a consolation  
to the living to be able to pray for  
their departed loved ones.

Let us do our share. The poor  
souls in Purgatory will not fall us  
in our hour of need.

**Some Programme**

The following legislative pro-  
gramme for 1926 has been endorsed  
by the New York State Federation  
of Labor:—

An exclusive state insurance fund  
for workmen's compensation.

Prohibiting the issuance of injunc-  
tion in industrial disputes unless  
authorized by a verdict after trial of  
the facts before a judge and jury.

An amendment to the anti-monop-  
oly law to provide that the labor of  
a human being is not a commodity  
or article of commerce.

Restoration of original penalty  
for eight-hour and prevailing rate  
of wages law.

A 48-hour working week for em-  
ployed women and minors who are  
more than 16. The present law pro-  
vides a 44-hour week for minors  
between 14 and 16.

Amendments to workmen's com-  
pensation law to increase compensa-  
tion to a maximum of \$30 a week;  
to abolish limitation of \$3,500 com-  
pensation for temporary disabilities,  
and revision of occupational diseases  
sections to make all such illness  
compensable as injuries.

An amendment to the state con-  
stitution which would enable voters  
to initiate amendments by petition  
for immediate submission to refer-  
endum without intervention of  
Legislature.

This is an ambitious programme.  
There are those who think that the  
exclusive state fund will constitute  
the only compensation insurance in  
vogue in New York State in a few  
years.

Of course state initiative and  
referendum will not come until all  
the municipalities have a Commis-  
sion or city manager form of govern-  
ment.

Increase in the maximum compen-  
sation rate will not come until the  
exclusive state insurance fund is the  
rule.

**America Honored**

The American Hierarchy and  
Church have been signally honored  
by the selection of Rev. Dr. Francis  
Spellman, of the Archdiocese of Bos-  
ton, to fill a secretarial post under  
Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary  
of State.

This is the first time, it is said,  
that an American cleric has been  
selected for a permanent post at  
Rome under the Pope's Secretary of  
State—who fills the same relative  
position under the Pope as the Sec-  
retary of State with President Cool-  
idge in Washington.

Dr. Spellman is a graduate of the  
American College in Rome where he  
was ordained in 1916. Since then he  
has been Assistant Chancellor of  
Boston and for the last seven years  
has been Director of Catholic Liter-  
ature for the Archdiocese. For the  
last seven years he is also a gradu-  
ate of Fordham University.

His selection has not dulckened the  
enthusiasm of the American Catholics. Very like-  
ly the Pope will have sim-  
ilar appointments upon American Catholics.

**Still At It**

While it cannot overturn the de-  
cision of the United States Supreme  
Court that the Oregon law abolish-  
ing parochial schools is unconstitutional,  
the Southern Jurisdiction of  
Scottish Rite Masons holds to its be-  
lief that every child should be com-  
pelled to attend public school regard-  
less of the wishes of the God-given  
parent. A new angle of attack is  
promised—that the rights of the  
child are prejudiced by attendance  
upon any but a public school. Just  
how the Scottish Rite Masons really  
feel is set forth in the following  
resolutions adopted in Supreme  
Council session in Washington a few  
weeks since:—

"The decision of the Supreme  
Court in that case (the Oregon  
School law) was, by the language  
of the opinion, limited to the facts  
of the case set forth in the allega-  
tions of the bill of complaint which  
was deemed admittedly for the pur-  
poses of the case by the demurrer.  
"The judge writing the opinion  
expresses very clearly that there was  
not involved in the case any ques-  
tion of the right of the State of Ore-  
gon to properly supervise the course  
of study, the sanitary and physical  
condition of school buildings, the  
qualifications of the teachers, or any  
other legitimate factor of education,  
and equally emphasizes the ground  
of the decision as the absence of any  
show of reason for the law. It was  
a material allegation of fact unde-  
nied that the parochial and private  
schools had not in any respect failed  
to perform their duty to the state,  
the parent, or the child.

"In view of that state of the  
record the Court, of course, did not  
announce what its opinion would  
have been had there been a showing  
of fact that the rights of the child  
had been seriously invaded.

"We are, therefore, justified in  
continuing to assert and maintain  
our belief in the value of the com-  
pulsory requirements of attendance  
of all children upon the public  
schools, and the duty of all parents  
to see that school facilities are both  
adequate and efficient."

"We cannot at this time but insist  
upon the existence of the principle  
that the right of the child to avail  
himself of the educational opportuni-  
ties of the public school system is  
superior to the right of the parent or  
of any corporation, secular or reli-  
gious to shape in advance his intel-  
lectual alliance, and we should be  
alert to unite with every movement  
which tends to the maintenance of  
such right."

If it means anything, and we  
think the language used is not am-  
biguous, it means that the Scottish  
Rite Masons object to any religious  
instruction or hint of anything tend-  
ing to convey knowledge of or belief  
in God or anything that savors of  
reverence or recognition of the faith  
of the parents. In short, the  
way we read the resolutions is  
that the Scottish Rite Masons stand  
for a Godless, purely secular public  
school at which all children must  
attend and be trained in a religious,  
or non-religious creed formulated  
and prescribed by the Supreme Mas-  
ter of Scottish Rite.

If that is not intellectual ser-  
vitude, let alone intellectual allegiance,  
we do not know what it is.  
Thank God, the United States Con-  
stitution still exists, likewise the  
United States Supreme Court.

**Facts Wanted**

Says the Rochester "Democrat &  
Chronicle":—

It is to be hoped that the present  
volubility of theorists about causes  
of crime and what had best be done  
to prevent its prevalence is not to be  
the principal outcome of our Nation-  
al Crime Commission's work. The  
conclusion that one best aid to pre-  
vention of crime can be found in  
education that in motive is designed  
to prevent it seems sensible, but  
there lies ahead a lot of thinking  
and debating about what such edu-  
cation would consist of and where it  
ought to be given and whether the  
agents for it, presumably in part in  
the homes of the country, can be  
conscripted to duty. But when a sin-  
gle day brings three theories, as did  
Saturday, one from the secretary of  
the commission, one from a Chicago  
judge, and the third from a police  
chief it makes the reader suspicious  
of how much is going to be practi-  
cally accomplished.

What we need most is accurate in-  
formation on which we can found  
judgment of the worth of the many  
theories already proposed. The Sec-  
retary says that our crime is com-  
mitted by foreign-born residents of  
the country in large majority of  
cases; the Chicago Judge says that  
low ball for old offenders is a major  
cause of crime; the Police Chief says  
that court "red tape" gives criminals  
"a healthy chance" to escape  
punishment. These are the Saturday  
gist of opinion.

Suppose the Commission collects  
facts and forgets theories.

Cardinal Bonzano, for ten years  
apostolic Delegate to the United  
States has chosen as his titular  
church in Rome, Santa Susanna—  
better known as the American  
Church. Rev. Thomas Lantry O'Neill,  
of the Paulists, who for many years  
was chaplain of Newman Hall at the  
University of California, is its rector.

If there be a spell of Indian Sum-  
mer in November it will give a more  
natural than Thanksgiving Day.

**Thrifty**

That Rochesterians are thrifty and  
realize full well that life insurance  
is one of the best ways to save  
money—in fact that it is really one  
of the few ways in which a poor  
man may save money—is shown by  
the insurance reports of the money  
paid to policyholders in 1924. The  
total is \$2,800,000!—a large sum  
indeed.

While many of the policies were  
for decedents who were well to do,  
many others were issued to men  
who left no other estate to their  
dependents.

Every one, young or old, should  
carry as much life insurance as they  
can afford, especially, is this true of  
the young. While they may not need  
insurance protection when young,  
the day will come when they will  
and then physical or other condi-  
tions may prevent their receipt of a  
policy.

It is sad in this connection to read  
that in 1924 over \$1,000,000,000 of  
insurance applied for was rejected  
because those seeking it were in  
poor physical condition.

**Keep It Up!**

The Catholic Journal heartily en-  
dorses the following resolution  
adopted at a recent session of the  
Rochester conference of the Metho-  
dist Episcopal Church:—

"Inasmuch as the most indecent  
and immoral literature is being sold  
at many if not all of the news stand  
on Main street and elsewhere and in  
some of the stores in the city, the  
Rochester District Conference of the  
Methodist Episcopal Church wishes  
to express its strongest condemna-  
tion of this wickedness and would  
request the city authorities to take  
all possible steps to put a stop to  
the sale of the above mentioned lit-  
erature which is such a menace to  
the moral health and welfare of our  
people and especially to the young."

**Our Calendar Number**

This issue of The Catholic Journal  
contains 72 pages and is composed  
of the regular eight pages of Catho-  
lic reading matter and sixty-four  
pages of our annual Church Calen-  
dar for 1926. The Calendar section  
is printed on the book paper with  
enamel cover and contains articles  
on "Notable Holy Year Celebra-  
tions," the "New Saints Canonized  
in 1925" including "Saint Teresa  
the Little Flower" whom thousands  
of Americans love, the "Correct  
Thing in Our Church Conduct,"  
"Great Personalities of the Catholic  
Church," "Catholic Customs and  
Symbols," Calendar of Feasts and  
Fast Days, and special articles and  
illustrations.

It is in book form and will be  
appreciated by our thousands of  
subscribers who will find it of value  
during the coming year.

Christmas is at hand. Now is the  
time to decide that one fitting gift  
this year would be a year's subscrip-  
tion to the Catholic Journal, the  
only Catholic paper published in the  
Diocese of Rochester.

So Stallings & Co. will not own  
the Rochester Baseball Club this  
year.

If we must burn soft coal we sup-  
pose we will have to. But that does  
not mean we will continue to do so  
forever just because Indiana and  
Ohio like soft coal. New York is  
New York and not Indiana.

"Keeping cool with Cal" may be  
a permanent condition not a trans-  
ient campaign theory.

Mr. Eastman, undoubtedly, does  
not begrudge the money spent on the  
City Manager Charter.

Now, let us all get busy and make  
good on Aquinas pledges. The money  
is needed.

Leo A. MacSweeney is better  
known now than he was six months  
ago—in political circles.

Mayor Van Zandt says he had a  
bully run for his money this fall.

Mr. Leroy Snyder says an Indian-  
an cannot keep out of politics.

The women surely did vote last  
Tuesday.

The Society Pages are an out-  
standing feature of the Rochester  
papers. Any way the elite circle is  
not restricted to "400."

**Novices Given Right  
To Vote In New York**

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Oct. 30.—  
Novices attending novitiates in New  
York have the right to vote as resi-  
dents of the localities where the no-  
vitiates are situated, according to a  
decision which has been handed  
down here by Justice George H. Tay-  
lor of the State Supreme Court.

The decision was the latest step in  
a five-year controversy between the  
election inspectors of the third dis-  
trict of the town of Hyde Park and  
officials of the novitiate of St. An-  
drews-on-Hudson. The inspectors held  
that the status of the novices was  
that of college students and that  
they were not entitled to vote in  
local elections. Previous decisions  
had upheld them. Now Justice  
Taylor's order directs that the 17  
novices at the novitiate be enrolled  
for the register of voters.

**Weekly Calendar  
Of Feast Days**

Sunday, November 8.—The Feast  
of the Holy Relics. Some non-Catho-  
lics regard the veneration which the  
Church pays to relics of the Saints  
as sinful and contend that this pious  
practice is merely a remnant of  
paganism. On the contrary, as decid-  
ed at the Council of Trent, the bodies  
of the martyrs and saints who were  
living members of Jesus Christ and  
temples of the Holy Ghost, are en-  
titled to the honor of the faithful.

Monday, November 9.—St. Theo-  
dore Tyro, martyr, was a soldier in  
the imperial army in his youth but  
when his superior officer ordered  
that all Christians should sacrifice  
to the pagan gods, he refused. The  
commander tried to win him over  
gentleness and allowed him to re-  
main at liberty. When this plan failed  
and Theodore had publicly mani-  
fested his contempt for the pagan  
deities, he was seized and tortured,  
and finally burned to death.

Tuesday, November 10.—St. An-  
drew Avellino, when he was thirty-  
six years old joined the Theatine  
Order. He suffered for fifty years  
from a most painful injury but re-  
fused to use a carriage to relieve his  
sufferings. On the last day of his life  
he arose to say Mass but was strick-  
en at the altar. While he was con-  
vulsed in agony, Satan in visible  
form approached to seize his soul.  
Then while his brethren prayed and  
bidding the Saint's guardian angel  
send the tempter back to hell, A  
calm and holy smile settled on the  
features of the dying man of God  
and he breathed forth his soul.

Wednesday, November 11.—St.  
Martin of Tours, when only a boy be-  
came a Christian catechumen in de-  
fiance of the wishes of his parents. In  
372 he became Bishop of Tours. His  
flock, though Christian in name was  
still pagan in heart. The Saint went  
unarmed and attended only by his  
monks and destroyed the heathen  
temples and groves. Then by his  
preaching and miracles he completed  
the conversion of his people. The  
last eleven years of his life were  
spent in humble toil to atone for his  
faults.

Thursday, November 12.—St. Mar-  
tin, Pope, sat on the Papal Throne  
from 649 to 655. He incurred the  
enmity of the Byzantine Court by  
his opposition to the Monothelite  
heresy and was seized and taken on  
board a ship bound for Constantinople.  
After three months at sea he  
was landed on the island of Naxos  
and there held in confinement for a  
year. Eventually he reached the im-  
perial court and was then banished  
to the Tauric Chersonese where he  
lingered for four months in sickness  
and destitution and then died.

Friday, November 13.—St. Stan-  
islas Kostka was a member of a  
noble Polish family. He studied in  
the Jesuit College of Vienna and  
after having been cured of an ill-  
ness by Our Lady he was hidden by  
her to enter the Society of Jesus. His  
father's opposition forced him to  
leave Vienna and enter the novitiate  
at Rome. He lived there only ten  
months, dying as he had prayed he  
might, on the feast of the Assump-  
tion 1568 at the age of only seven-  
teen.

Saturday, November 14.—St. Di-  
dacus, was a native of Spain, born  
in the middle of the fifteenth cen-  
tury. He entered the Order of St.  
Francis but remained a lay brother  
all his life in perfect observance of  
the vows of poverty, chastity and  
obedience. His superiors sent him on  
a mission to the Canary Islands  
where he hoped to gain the crown  
of martyrdom. Such was not God's  
will, however, and after making  
many conversions he returned to  
Spain where he died after a long  
and painful illness.

**Birth Control Clinic  
Reports On Work In  
Illinois For A Year**

Chicago, Oct. 30.—The clinic open-  
ed by the Illinois Birth Control  
League here in July 1924 gave ad-  
vice to five hundred persons in the  
first ten months of its existence ac-  
cording to statistics published in the  
Journal of the American Medical  
Association.

Of the women given advice at the  
clinic, 252 were native Americans,  
58 were Polish, 42 Jewish, 35 Ger-  
man, 26 colored, 15 Bohemian, 14  
Italian, 11 Swedish, and smaller  
numbers of other nationalities. Ac-  
cording to the same figures, the  
religious affiliations of these women  
were: Protestants, 304, Roman Catho-  
lics 147, Greek Catholics 3, and 46  
Jewish persons.

**Archbishop Cegliak  
Will Visit America**

Cleveland, Oct. 30.—Archbishop  
Cegliak, Polish prelate who was con-  
demned to death by the Soviet govern-  
ment for teaching religion in  
Russia but escaped the sentence  
when protests were made from many  
nations, will visit Cleveland shortly.  
Archbishop Cegliak comes on the  
invitation of Bishop Schrems, ex-  
tended while the latter was in Rome  
recently. A cablegram has just been  
received by the bishop stating that  
the archbishop will sail for New  
York on the Leviathan November 3.

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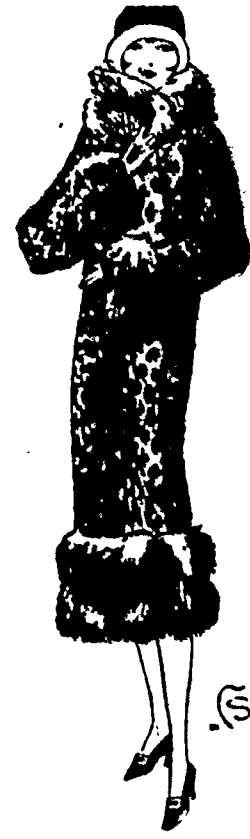
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WALL PAPER—DECORATIONS

**Catholic Lawyers  
Attend "Red Mass"  
At Opening Of Term**

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

London, Oct. 26.—Catholic mem-  
bers of the legal profession attended  
the Red Mass at Westminster Cath-  
edral this week before the reopening  
of the Law Courts after the long  
vacation. The Red Mass is so called  
because of the color of the vestments  
worn at a Mass of the Holy Ghost.  
Special places outside the sanctuary  
were occupied by Mr. Justice Russell,  
Judge Parfitt, K. C., and the Right  
Hon. Sir Thomas Malony, ex-Lord  
Chief Justice of Ireland.

Cardinal Bourne assisted at the  
Mass, which was to have been cele-  
brated by Mr. J. Watson, who was  
called to the Bar in 1871 be-  
fore he studied for the priesthood.  
Owing to Mr. Watson's indisposi-  
tion his place was taken by Mr.  
Howlett, cathedral chaplain.

**New Type Seismograph  
Added To Georgetown  
University Equipment**

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

Washington, Oct. 30.—The new  
Gallitzin horizontal type seismograph  
recently purchased by Georgetown  
University will soon be installed  
there and will give the institution an  
equipment of six quake-recording in-  
struments in its seismological obser-  
vatory. The Georgetown observatory  
will be the only institution in the  
Western Hemisphere to be equipped  
with two of the Gallitzin type ma-  
chines.

An instrument of this type was  
acquired about a year ago and in-  
stalled in a cave specially construct-  
ed for that purpose. It has enabled  
the Rev. Francis A. Tondorf, S. J.,  
who is in charge of the seismograph,  
to give first news of many earth-  
quakes.