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Inspiring.

Reference has been made in another editorial to the splendid address made to the Eucharistic Congress by Secretary of Labor James J. Davis, representing President Coolidge and also speaking for himself as a great admirer of Cardinal Muenchlein, of Chicago.

In opening, Secretary Davis said: "When a million souls from all parts of the world leave their homes and vocations behind them for the purpose of making a pilgrimage of the extraordinary character which is now being witnessed in this city, it is such a profession of faith witnessed even by the non-Catholics as to the heart of man."

The Secretary then went on to point out that America was settled by men to whom spiritual things meant more than the things of purely material import. He called attention to the fact that New England, Virginia and Maryland were settled by men who wished to be permitted to worship God in their own way and who wanted their neighbors to do likewise. He paid tribute to the Catholic discoverer of America, and went on to pay tribute to the service rendered to the Republic by her citizens of Catholic faith—in the army and navy, on the benches of State and United States Supreme Courts. "The patriotism of our Catholic citizens," the Secretary went on "is not open to dispute." He continued: "We have no quarrel with any man's religion and any nation that refuses to grant freedom of worship is a nation that must realize sooner or later that it has made the profoundest of mistakes. There are elements among us, as in other lands, so dissatisfied with life, or, rather, with the life decision as to the candidate for government that they know from experience, that they desire to destroy our American institutions. Those advocates of revolution are men who abhor all religion, and believe neither in God nor in the life eternal. They are materialists against whom all who believe in the validity of spiritual ideals must set a face like flint. The Catholic Church has stood like a wall of adamant against the vicious revolutionary pro- cedures of this class, which are urged ostensibly on behalf of labor, but which really owe their origin to the will of a few for power, whatever a man's religious faith, if he have one, will be quite a show of support; but he can have no intellectual commerce with this type of revolutionist."

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Automatic.

The North American Review thus describes "A Standardized America":

And so there rises before one the nightmare of an automatic America. Automatic, standardized, sterilized conversation. Automatic cafeteria with automatic service. Automatic "ten-cent stores," with everything standardized to a hair. Automatic standardized humor, with the same two men hitting each other on the nose and falling down through miles of American newspapers forever and forever. Automatic clothes, "ready to wear," and turned out by automatic part of the machines they tend. Automatic traffic regulation, with perhaps automatic autos stopping and starting of their own accord upon automatic signal. Automatic recording machines and talking machines and writing machines. Armies of automatics gradually being controlled by the machine by which they are gradually being assimilated. Automatic Robots? A nightmare, you will say. Yes, but a nightmare that is already materializing—the nightmare of a standardized continent.

Men of all creeds agree that the loss of religion was greatly helped by the steady, stable international profitable—in the way of decreased accident record.

Still Thinking.

Many days, yes years, will pass ere the memories of the Twenty-eighth International Eucharistic Congress will pass from the remembrance of Americans, no matter of what creed, who participated in the ceremonies or saw anything of the attendant congregations who could not obtain admission to where the sessions were held.

Never before in the history of the world were so many persons gathered together.

Never before were so many children's voices heard as on the Monday when 62,000 school children sang in the great Chicago Stadium and were heard, through the great amplifiers, over a quarter of a million persons.

Never before were so many women gathered together as on Tuesday when over 100,000 women participated and assisted at Mass in the Stadium while on Tuesday evening twice as many men renewed their baptismal vows and held aloft their lighted candles while Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was imparted. Wednesday's session was as impressive and heard by as many. And Thursday's outpouring of nearly a million souls in the closing mass, procession of the Blessed Sacrament and the imparting of the Papal Benediction by the Cardinal Legate, Most Rev. John Bonzano.

And the opening exercises on Sunday must not be forgotten. Nearly One Million and a Half Catholics received Holy Communion in the Churches of Chicago and the address of welcome on behalf of the President of the United States was delivered by Secretary of Labor James J. Davis, a non-Catholic, whose tribute to the influence of the Catholic Church in upbuilding these United States and his denunciation of religious intolerance will ring round the world.

Never before in this country was such a profession of faith witnessed and even the non-Catholics agreed that the influence of the Congress in strengthening and increasing faith in revealed religion cannot be estimated or measured at this time.

Tipping Its Hand.

Need anybody doubt where the Rochester "Times-Union" stands so far as the New York State election and who wanted their neighbors to do likewise. He paid tribute to the Catholic discoverer of America, and went on to pay tribute to the service rendered to the Republic by her citizens of Catholic faith—in the army and navy, on the benches of State and United States Supreme Courts.

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So what's the use of making too great an effort on either side? Honors are about even, and why become concerned? It has become second nature for Smith to serve as Governor, and there is enough opportunity for exhilarating tilts with legislatures to give him the spice he needs in life. In the Senate, Wadsworth's course has been quite satisfactory to leaders on both sides, and Democrats shake their heads when he is mentioned and say that he is "admittedly a strong candidate." So why not let him ride?

The predicament, one may see, is not so much a difficulty in securing candidates for governor in one party and senator in the other, as it is to make it appear that there is concern and intention to name candidates who would stand real chances of election.

"Let us go forth and battle with stuffed clubs," is the apparent agreement, "and those who look on may not suspect that there is agreement to divide the spoils."

Judge William W. Webb was a shining example of the "American gentleman of the old school", unfortunately, so rapidly passing.

Pedestrians can do much to make the traffic officers' task easy and profitable—in the way of decreased accident record.

John D. Rockefeller.

Adding thereto, that he and his immediate family have not contributed to the prevalent divorce court scandals, one feels inclined to coincide in the following editorial estimate of John D. Rockefeller as published in the Rochester "Democrat & Chronicle":

Because of the fact that he is a native of Western New York, quite as much as by reason of his life of enterprise and usefulness, the eighty-seventh birthday anniversary of John D. Rockefeller is a subject of especial interest to the people of this part of the state. Only recently Mr. Rockefeller was visiting the scenes of his boyhood in the Finger Lakes region, where he found a number of persons who remembered him in his younger years.

Few men now living have had a career approaching in romantic interest than that of Mr. Rockefeller. He has been pre-eminently a builder, a creator of new values. He succeeded where other men had failed, in the attempt to bring order out of chaos in the oil industry. He protected and encouraged investigators whose work has turned the green-black output of the wells into a thousand products of inestimable value.

But it is not for these services, even though they are of great and increasing value, that Mr. Rockefeller is most highly esteemed by his fellow citizens. It is because, having built well and strongly in industry and commerce, Mr. Rockefeller turned his great talents as an organizer and builder to philanthropic endeavor, seeking the welfare of all humankind, that he is now conceded to be a benefactor of the race. Through his gifts to education and for the battle against misery and disease, Mr. Rockefeller has performed as great a service in the giving of money as he formerly had in the process of amassing wealth.

At his eighty-seventh milestone on the road through this world John D. Rockefeller well can afford to regard with satisfaction the work that he has accomplished, for his life has been a life of service, of earnest endeavor and practical good resulting in conferring immense benefits on humanity and in making the world a better place in which to dwell.

Robbing Peter, Etc.

A la several ancient and distinguished example, a national press association is running out "Confessions of a Cabinet Minister". This official had started off to practise rigid economy, as he phrases it. Metal clips were to be picked up and used again; string must not be thrown away; old letters and envelopes were to be preserved and the backs thereof to be used for memoranda in lieu of scratch pads, and so on and so forth.

The economy episode concludes by the Secretary picking up a clip that the confidential messenger had overlooked on the floor and depositing it in a glass tray on his desk. "Speaking of economy, Mr. Secretary," said the confidential messenger, "I made a hasty mental calculation the other day, which you just reminded me of."

"What was it?" I asked. "If a man spent all day going about picking up those little clips, he would have saved the government, at the end of the day, about \$3.49. And that would be entirely wiped out by the thirty-million-dollar river and harbor bill passed the other day for local political effect."

I looked at him sharply and he grinned at me. Finally I grinned back and the next day I abolished my cherished lead pencil and stationary regulations against extravagance. I was cured. During the remainder of my official residence at Washington I let the government struggle along without a kind word from me in support of the great economy bunk.

The workers of the state have an able and experienced representative on the Committee to inquire into labor law legislation and administration in the person of Emanuel Koveleski, of Rochester. Mr. Koveleski is not unacquainted around the New York state capitol and he is vice-president of the New York State Federation of Labor.

Sugar seems to be able to use the Barge Canal as an artery to reach Rochester.

President Coolidge is pictured with a smile in his summer camp in the Adirondacks. Wonder why? Because Congress has adjourned?

Rochester's list of fatal shootings impels the query: "Of what avail is the Sullivan anti-gun law?"

If ex-Secretary Hughes told the Holy Father all he knows about Mexican conditions, President Calles' ears must have burned.

Evidently Hiram W. Sibley is no admirer of Wayne Wheeler or William H. Anderson.

Benjamin B. Odell died before he saw his years-cherished plan of reorganization of the New York state government put into operation.

Every school boy and school girl should know how to swim.

Total Abstinence Congress In Dublin Asks Fewer Saloons

Dublin, July 5.—At the Fourth Triennial Congress of the Catholic Total Abstinence Federation of Ireland, held in this city, the Most Rev. Dr. Gilmartin, Archbishop of Tuam, declared against prohibition. The Congress called on the Government to introduce strong temperance legislation and to enforce more strictly the laws already in existence. These proposals include the reduction by one-half of the number of saloons in the country, and the total prohibition of the sale of intoxicants on Sundays and Catholic holidays.

"This program," said Archbishop Gilmartin, "is on the whole a very moderate one. I am not a prohibitionist, because prohibition is a failure in America. There is nothing like prohibition in our program, but we shall be disappointed if the Government does not introduce temperance measures to meet the wishes of the people."

The president of the Federation, the Rev. Dr. Peter Coffey, said that the temperance legislation introduced by the present Government was a move in the right direction, but that much more legislation was required.

"The Civic Guards," said Dr. Coffey, "seem to be enforcing the temperance laws fearlessly and honestly. But sometimes, I am afraid, the Guards do not get from the Bench the sympathy and support they might reasonably expect. Some circuit judges and district justices seem to avail themselves too freely and leniently of the Probation of Offenders Act." This Act enables judges or justices to remit all penalties for a first breach of the laws.

The Congress was opened by a procession of 1,000 people through the principal streets of the city, starting from O'Connell Street and ending at the Mansion House. Large numbers of priests took part.



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Not least among the Sacred Places where he delights to obtain favors for those who have recourse to him is "St. Anthony's Corner" in the monastery church of St. Francis on the Mount of the Atonement, Graymoor. The following testimonials from clients who have participated in the Perpetual Novena to the Saint conducted by the Friars of the Atonement are evidence of the truth of the foregoing statement:

G.E.R.: "No words can express my gratitude to St. Anthony for wonderful help through the Novena. I have found the error in my accounts, and my other great request was also answered."

M.C.H., Port Jervis, N. Y.: "St. Anthony is truly a wonderful Saint! I fully appreciate that he has obtained a miraculous favor for me. If I could afford a hundred instead of the one dollar that I am enclosing, you can rest assured I would be only too glad to give it in honor of our Saint to you and your worthy cause."

Mrs. M.M. Wis.: "Enclosed you will find thank offering to St. Anthony which I promised a year ago during a Novena for my granddaughter, who had tuberculosis. The doctors all said she could not live. Today she is as well as she ever was. As soon as the Novena started she began to improve, thanks to St. Anthony and the prayers of the Friars. You may publish this."

H.B.N., Penn.: "Some time ago there was a small child lost in the woods, surrounded by water. About fifty people had been out for some time searching for him with lanterns as it was then night, when I came home and heard of it. After invoking St. Anthony I started out in the dark as the neighbors had borrowed my lanterns for the search. Three others who were with me tried to prevail on me to take another direction from that in which I was heading as they had already been over that ground; but something seemed to urge me on. After about twenty minutes dear St. Anthony led me straight to the boy."

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