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"Irresponsible"

Not only "intolerant" but "irresponsible", is the way the Rochester Democrat & Chronicle characterizes Senator Heffin, of Alabama...

It is improbable that Heffin can be suppressed. He is likely to continue his furious diatribes against Catholics...

Monument.

This editorial in the Rochester Times-Union shows that Michigan is awakening to the importance of scientific reforestation...

The trustees who write daily pieces for the syndicate press and those who press agent this or that business or contrivance...

Whining Catholics.

Speaking before the Holy Name Society, Bishop Turner, of Buffalo administered a timely and needed rebuke to the weak kneed Catholics...

"I am always glad to meet a Catholic man who has succeeded in his profession or his business, whatever that may be...

They could not. Facts prove that Catholics do succeed where sterling qualities of character and the practice of religion are clearly accountable for their success...

Safety Pays.

That accident prevention, safety first and kindred campaigns, if pressed in and precepts taught practised pays in dollars and cents...

Money has long been known for its ability to talk, and figures, too, are quite glib when they have something to talk about...

These figures give an excellent answer to those who want to know why cities and corporations maintain elaborate and no doubt expensive safety organizations...

Honestly: If you read carefully the Catholic news printed in this issue are you not willing to concede that the National Catholic Press Association furnishes the Catholic Journal with a splendid Catholic news service?

Fatal.

The esteemed Detroit "Free Press" thus disposes of the proposal to compel every citizen to perform so much farm service:

In a wild burst of enthusiasm, Dr. Charles A. Browne, chief of the United States Bureau of Chemistry, recommends compulsory farm service for every citizen of the United States because "a compulsory apprenticeship in agriculture would provide a needed discipline in economic and thrift; and would form more correct opinions as to the basic elements of national prosperity."

There are a number of obstacles in the way of any realization of Dr. Browne's vision and one of them is conclusive that nobody need bother with the others. The Thirteenth amendment to the federal constitution says: Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

Answer?

A Catholic contemporary proffers a good one as follows:—

What will be the answer of the Anti-Saloon League to this? During the epidemic of fires that swept the city of Washington one day this week one of the largest hospitals in the Capital was forced to enlist the aid of bootleggers to obtain whiskey needed as a stimulant to revive fire-fighters overcome by smoke...

Patrick Canley, alderman for years of the First Ward and Dennis C. Ryan, President of St. Mary's Holy Name Society are mourned by their associates in the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

The bakers' convention almost persuaded most housewives that they are guilty of all sorts of things when they do their own baking and take the bread out of the poor bakers' mouths.

The death of Miss Helene Reche removed the last representative of a family that was part of Rochester's very history for many years—Business, social, literary and spiritual.

And now the woman "columnist" must be in the swim and advocate "companionate divorce".

President and Mrs. Coolidge, evidently, captured the Cuban people's hearts anyway.

Winter has not passed us by entirely, let it be noted.

St. Joseph Hospital, Hot Springs, Has New X-Ray Apparatus

Hot Springs, Ark. Jan. 16.—At a cost of several thousands of dollars the Sisters of Mercy have had X-ray apparatus installed this week in new St. Joseph's hospital here, said to be the most complete and modern in the southwest. An outstanding feature of the equipment is that it makes possible ultra fast radiography...

Patricia F. Crosby, Catholic Author's Daughter, Is Dead

Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—Funeral services for Patricia Fagen Crosby, daughter of Mrs. Ellen Fagen Steinmetz and the late George Crosby, well-known writer and contributor to many Catholic periodicals and newspapers, who died last week after an operation for appendicitis at the Eisenhower hospital here, were held at the Church of Our Lady of Mercy on Monday, when a Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated.

Scranton Catholics Plan For Reception Of Bishop O'Reilly

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 20.—Elaborate preparations are being made for the welcoming of Bishop-elect Thomas C. O'Reilly when he arrives here the evening of March 7, preparatory to his formal installation as the Ordinary of this diocese on the following morning.

Immediately following the arrival of a special train bearing the future Bishop of Scranton to this city, the first of five outstanding events which will occur within 24 hours will take place. It is to be a brilliant reception and parade, in the latter part of which more than 10,000 men will take part.

Cardinal Dougherty will officiate at the installation of the new Bishop in St. Peter's Cathedral, the following morning. Shortly after noon the priests of the diocese will give the new Ordinary a banquet at the Hotel Casey, and early in the evening he will be the guest of the laymen at a similar affair. Later that evening a civic reception is to be held at Colonel Walter Army.

It is expected that every Holy Name man in Scranton, Dunmore, Minooka and Dickson will march in the torchlight parade which is to feature the welcoming of Bishop O'Reilly on the evening of March 7. The Knights of Columbus are planning a special participation in this feature of the program. A large number of bands have been retained for the parade.

Mgr. Peter C. Christ, Vicar General, is chairman of the reception committee appointed by the Very Rev. James S. Fagan, Administrator.

Jewish Birth Rate Shows Big Decrease

London, Jan. 17.—A great drop in the birth-rate of Jewish families in London has been noted by Dr. D. L. Thomas, for 30 years a medical officer of health in the East End. He stated this week that whereas up to 1907 the birth-rate was rarely less than 40 per thousand in Whitechapel, and remained at from 30 to 40 per thousand up to 1912, it has now dropped to 13 per thousand, as shown by the statistics of 1926, which it is believed those of 1927 will uphold.

"In Whitechapel", said the doctor, "the birth-rate has been falling for years. You no longer find those big Jewish families which were traditional from patriarchal times."

The borough of Stepney, of which Whitechapel forms a part, is said to contain more Jews than there are in Jerusalem.

Side by side with the Jews in the East End of London there is a large population of Catholics, particularly in the Jewish district.

well. In these places the birth-rate has averaged for many years 30-35 per thousand, and the lowest record is 24.3 per thousand for 1926.

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