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#### THE POPE'S ILLNESS

That the heart of the world is sound towards the Catholic Church and all it stands for, was made strikingly evident the past week, when leading newspapers of the world gave generous first-page space to the reported serious illness of Pope Pius XI. That these reports were considerably exaggerated did not detract one particle from the sincere sympathy they gave expression to, nor from the deep concern felt for the welfare of the Pontiff. Every news agency in the world sent out that story with sincere regret evident in every dispatch. It is doubtful if any ruler in the world, under similar conditions, would have received so much space, and such sympathetic interest in his welfare.

The meaning of all this is strikingly evident. The Pope, and everything he does, is of interest to the entire world, according to the news code of the world. Nor is this confined to countries predominantly Catholic. It is world-wide in its scope and world-wide in its meaning and sympathy. Non-Catholics everywhere are interested in the work and the welfare of the Supreme Pontiff. To the sincere non-Catholic he represents all that is fine and beautiful and sincere in life, for he represents Jesus Christ. The daily newspapers, with their pulses attuned to every news source in the world, know this, and that is why they give so much space to every activity of the Pope and show such genuine concern for his health. It is a good omen, as well as a sign of sincere good will and friendship for the Supreme Pontiff and all that he represents.

#### NOT OF OUR CHURCH

Newspapers carried this week stories of the indictment this week of eighteen men, including Bishop Charles Muzina of the Czechoslovakian Orthodox Catholic Church in the United States. The headlines told of "Sacramental Wine Frauds." It should be understood that these people are not of the Catholic Church. Efforts will be made, of course, by tricky or irresponsible persons to convey the impression they are members of the Church. Any such statements will be contrary to truth.

#### WAYSIDE WHEAT

By the Managing Editor

The dawn of Morrow in New Jersey politics looked like a cloud-burst to the Anti-Saloon League. Well, it won't hurt that crowd to get soaked once in a while.

Dogs are intelligent, but they have no sense of the spiritual, we were told. There are exceptions to all rules. Our dog ate a prayer book Sunday morning while we were at church.

Ernest Durig, famous Swiss sculptor, is making a bust of His Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes of New York City. An alert, kindly face, reflected peace, quietness of soul and mind, confidence and character—that's what the bust will show when Mr. Durig completes his work. Cardinal Hayes is a great man and a great leader, loved by the people of all classes and creeds, and his bust will be something future generations will cherish.

Texas has had some disgraceful lynchings. But there is one it didn't have. A mob of two hundred men attempted to storm the jail at Beaumont, Texas, the other day, to lynch a negro. The Sheriff walked out into the middle of the mob. "Who is your leader?" he asked. A big man stepped up. The Sheriff hit him on the point of the jaw. "Who is your next?" the Sheriff asked. But there was no one else. The mob backed away, then left in any walk of life usually that.

#### OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL FEAST

July 16th is the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Inasmuch as the Carmelite Sisters recently came to Rochester, and are living their simple sacrificial lives in their convent on Saratoga Street, there should be unusual interest this year in this feast.

It was on July 16th, long years ago, that the Queen of Carmel appeared to St. Simon Stock, with the Divine Infant in her arms, surrounded by a multitude of angels, and, holding out to him the Scapular, said to him: "Receive, my beloved son, this Scapular of thine Order, as the distinctive sign of my Confraternity." This glorious spiritual gift to humanity has brought innumerable blessings to mankind. Carmel is truly the Order of Mary and her feast a day of great rejoicing. It may well be called the feast of the Motherhood of Mary.

The Carmelite Order has given the world many Saints. Distinctive among them is the Little Flower, perhaps the most popular of all Saints, known and beloved the world over. Her hands, beautiful in their sanctity, have drawn multitudes of people to God. Her life is an inspiration to all the world—simple, sweet, patient, pious, self-sacrificing, wholly devoted to God and to the things of God. She is of our day and our own time, fresh as the dew of the morning, and fair as blossoming flowers—a beautiful rose in the garden of God.

Pray to Mary on the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Pray to the Little Flower—and pray to them all the days of our lives. For, enveloping our souls with the spiritual beauty of Mary and of the Little Flower, will we learn to walk and work and live in God's way, the way that surpasseth all others.

#### WHAT NEXT?

So you are going to send Jane to a Catholic High school?" said the lady, turning up an already turned-up nose, as she addressed a friend. "I would think you would send Jane to the 'Something-or-other' school, where she will make social contacts and where she will have a better education."

God had no place in the above-mentioned school. Both of these women were Catholics. Both had children of age to enter high school in the fall. They were planning in advance. The lady with the turned-up nose had said she was sending Jimmie to the godless school, which was a good one, except for the fact there was no religious training and some of its teachers were atheists. Their own Catholic High school, nearer at hand and just as good, if not better in secular studies, offered them all they could get in the other school. And it gave far more. The lady with the turned-up nose, of course, knew very little about her religion. She went to Mass, dreamed during the sermon, found fault if it were, as she said, too long, and thought sermons should be cut out of all Masses, anyway. She was woefully ignorant of her faith and dodged any occasion where she might be asked about it. And she was planning Jimmie's education so he could not know more of his faith than his mother did.

We wonder what kind of a kink is in the human mind which causes so many Catholics to turn up their noses at their own first-rate Catholic High Schools and to think they are not as good as those found elsewhere. Our Catholic High Schools have received the highest of ratings from our Board of Regents, which is an impartial body, and they are second to none in the State. Why some think they are not as good as the State schools is a puzzle. Some talk of contacts. That is, they think their boy or girl will meet others who can help them in a business or social way. But they can meet them in their own Catholic High School, if they only had sense enough to know it. Let us admit, and regret, that there are far too many Catholics who are sending or planning to send Jane or Jimmie to state schools when there is an excellent Catholic High school near by, in which their darlings would have the same subjects taught, and in addition would have their classes in Christian Doctrine and the benefits of religious surroundings.

Think twice before you send your boy or girl to a school where your religion is not taught, and let both thoughts be in favor of our own most successful schools of higher education. The above remarks hold also for our Catholic Colleges, which are leaders in education today.

#### TWO THOUSAND ON WAITING LIST

Six years ago the Catholic University of China was founded at Peking. Two Benedictine priests from the St. Vincent Archabbey of Latrobe, Pa., took charge of the University, at the request of Pope Pius XI—a very humble beginning. Actual teaching did not begin until the following year. Now there is an enrollment of 845 students at the University, and more than two thousand others are on the waiting list, registered for acceptance as soon as possible. Fourteen Benedictines are on the teaching staff now, and a number of laymen, some of them the most brilliant scholars in China.

The University is located in the palace of the former Prince Ts'ai Tao, much too large at first, and much too small now. A fine new building is being erected, to accommodate more than four hundred new students. The first class will be graduated from the University next spring.

### Christ Was The Greatest

exponent of human reason in the world. When He preached His religion, He told people not to believe it merely upon His statement, but to substantiate His doctrines, investigate His works and weigh the evidence. He always gave the best of reasons for everything He taught. Human reason is at home in the teachings of Christ's church, hence many of The World's Greatest Scientists and Philosophers Are Attracted to the Catholic Church.

Today Catholics in the United States are one in every six in the population. In 120 years the population of the United States has increased 24 times, while the population of the Catholic Church has increased 600 times.

#### SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OF LIFE

Seventy-five years of life in the city of Rochester have endeared the Academy and Convent of the Sacred Heart to a multitude of people. This paper told something of the local history of the Religious of the Sacred Heart last week—how the good Sisters came here from Buffalo; how they opened a school for girls on North St. Paul Street; how they moved later to Prince Street; how they built a fine new building, which includes a chapel of unusual beauty, and how, in addition to other splendid work, they have fostered vocations in the hearts of many lovable and capable girls.

The Alumnae of the Sacred Heart, loving their school, its ideals and its traditions, are anxious to do something practical for the school during the year of its Diamond Anniversary. It is their purpose to raise a fund of \$20,000 for a new gymnasium. This is a modest sum, in the light of present-day finances. It should be raised without difficulty, with enthusiasm, and with encouraging promptness.

Sincere congratulations will be extended to the Religious of the Sacred Heart on their Diamond Anniversary in Rochester. Seventy-five years is a good period of life. When it is passed in work of the nature done at the Academy and Convent of the Sacred Heart—work that beautifies uplifts and ennobles the minds, hearts and souls of many thousands of young girls, then indeed is it a blessing, rich in fruitful results, for the city and its people.

#### BAD RACIAL PREJUDICE

The Mosaic Templars, colored, invited Hon. Oscar DePriest, colored Congressman of Chicago, Ill., to go to Birmingham, Ala., and deliver an address at the coming convention of that organization. The Coo-Coo buzzards of Alabama burned Congressman DePriest in effigy, then wired him to stay home. Then the management of the auditorium where the convention was to have been held in Birmingham notified the Mosaic Templars that the colored Congressman would not be permitted to speak there. Whereupon the Templars cancelled their convention in Birmingham and arranged to take it to Little Rock, Ark.

All of this is bad racial prejudice, antagonistic to the spirit of American liberty and antagonistic to the spirit of Christianity. The people of Birmingham, Ala., stand in a worse light than do the Mosaic Templars in this matter. They deserve severe censure. They might well take a lesson from the State of New York. When the wind-bag of bigotry who represents the State of Alabama in the U. S. Senate was coming to this State to give an address the last year that Alfred E. Smith was Governor, he announced that his life had been threatened by the Catholic friends of Governor Smith. That statement was a lie, pure and simple. But Governor Smith called his bluff by directing Major Warner, head of the State Troopers, to meet the wind-bag with a delegation of Troopers and protect him from everybody, including himself, while he was in this State. The whole Nation laughed at that. But Governor Smith emphasized what the State of Alabama has not emphasized in this case—freedom of speech and the supremacy of the law. Alabama has reason to hide its head in shame over the DePriest incident.

#### Gentleness

Nothing is quite so strong as gentleness. Anger is broken by its kindly ray. And all the troubles that perplex the day Die out and vanish under its care. A smile will win what cunning cannot gain. A soft word sounds through harsh, discordant din. Bringing a sense of peace to banish sin. And balm that heals the wounds and stills the pain. The magic that a gentle touch can bring—Cool fingers on a hot and fevered head—Is more than tongue can tell or words can sing. It brings us rest when all our joys have fled. True strength is gentleness, and through its power Life bears the rose of love, its fairest flower.

—Selected.

#### CLOSE TO HUMANITY'S HEART

It is good to see the way Alfred E. Smith keeps close to the heart of humanity. Every little while we read of him doing some fine, outstanding act for the betterment of the poor and the unfortunate of the country. A few weeks ago it was a ringing declaration in favor of abolishing by law the disreputable tenements of New York. He was speaking for an organization of outstanding people of all creeds, banded together for this purpose.

A little later he was the outstanding figure at a dinner of prominent financiers, met together for the purpose of helping Governor Roosevelt build a modern sanatorium at Warm Springs, Ga., for the treatment of infantile paralysis cases. More than a half million dollars was subscribed at this dinner for the purpose named.

On top of that he was a speaker at the formal dedication of Camp William Carey, an elaborate summer camp which has facilities for caring for 2,500 boys from New York City's famous "East Side" each season.

"When I was a boy on the East Side," he told the thousands who were present at the dedication of this camp, "the only camp we had was a little opening on the river front, or a hole under the docks."

He was thoroughly in favor, naturally, of the splendid summer camp which gives fresh air, fun, recreation and health to the boys from the East Side tenements—for of such as these is America made, and also the Kingdom of God.

Hardly a week passes in which "Al" Smith does not do some outstanding work, or appear in some outstanding way in behalf of the finer and better things of life. It is good, we repeat, to see and know these things.

#### ABOUT BISHOP CANNON

Bishop James Cannon, Jr., of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, recently threatened to sue a number of Catholic and "wet" newspapers in America for libel. Coupling Catholic and "wet" interests is an old trick of his. The Methodist Church is the outstanding champion of the Prohibition Law in America. A large number of the Methodist people, unfortunately, have a distorted knowledge of the Catholic Church and a feeling of hostility towards the church, engendered chiefly by the propagandists of bigotry. This is especially true in the Southern States. But we believe it is being remedied in a fine, open and honest American way.

Bishop Cannon, of course, is very familiar with the feelings of his people towards the Catholic Church. So he has tied the Church and the saloon into his political bag of buncomb, and has carried it up and down through the South, feeding bigotry wherever he thought bigotry would further his own ends and aims. The truth of the matter is that the Catholic Church is the staunchest and truest friend of temperance in drink that the world has ever known. But it is a safe and lawful champion of temperance—not a gun-shot champion, nor a violator of the inherent rights of man.

We are not concerned particularly about Bishop Cannon. We venture the assertion that he will not sue any Catholic paper, or any "wet" paper. We believe he is "spoofing". To our minds he is just a plain pestiferous nuisance on the body politic of America, a boil that needs lancing. But his own people should do the lancing. He is more harmful to them than to any others, and his actions and sayings have brought their church in to disrepute more than once. The Methodists of Georgia are of the same mind, apparently, for at a recent quarterly conference of that church a resolution was adopted, with but one dissenting vote, demanding his resignation as a Bishop of their church. This is a healthy sign of sanity, and it should be followed up with vigor.

#### THE FOURTH OF JULY

On the Fourth of July we celebrate the birth of America—the birth of freedom, of democracy, of liberality. It is well on a day of this kind to look to the deeper and better meanings of the anniversary—to the spirit and the ideals which inspired our forefathers. Among these was a sincere love for true liberty, love of fair-play, and an abiding trust in God.

We love our country because of its greatness, and we love it most of all because of its justice and fairness, and its unhampered opportunities for progress in spiritual as well as temporal affairs.

#### A GOVERNMENT OF LAW OR OF MEN?

Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland, speaking at the convention of the Maryland State Bar Association convention in Atlantic City the other day, said some severe things about American law and American legal methods. His subject was: "Which Shall it be, a Government of Law or a Government of Men?"

"A considerable portion of the American people is convinced," he said, "that modern law is not functioning properly. That is too slow, too mechanical, too archaic, too impotent to keep step with modern progress."

Governor Ritchie said the business man was coming more and more to look to men, rather than to laws, to adjust his controversies, and that he resorted to individualized treatment of each case as a better way to dispose of it than through the courts.

"Inspectors and spies and official regulators follow the American citizen from birth to death," he went on. "In some places he cannot marry whom he pleases, but must mate in accordance with the eugenic dictates of a State uplift bureaucracy. In other places, when his children come, a police officer tries to tell him how he shall raise them and what schools he shall send them to and what they shall not be taught. Here he is told what he may eat, there what he may smoke and everywhere what he may not drink. What he may read or write or see on the stage is prescribed, too.

"Thus the government is no longer the creature and protector of our individual rights, but is rapidly becoming the dictator of them.

This may seem somewhat far-fetched. But in the main it is true. The trouble with America is she has too many laws—too many fool laws. The Church of God has Ten Commandments, sufficient for the moral and spiritual guidance of the entire human race. America has thousands of them; laws sponsored by fanatics; laws sponsored by reformers; laws sponsored by common nuisances; laws sponsored by well-meaning people, and all of them broken every day in the year. For nearly one hundred and fifty years we have been electing legislators to make laws. It is pretty nearly time we began to elect legislators to unmake them, to cut them down, simplify them and shape them towards the hearts of a people who love freedom and dislike to be bothered.

### CURRENT COMMENT

#### THE SODALITY CONVENTION

The Convention of the Sodality of Our Lady which closed Sunday at Chicago was attended by two thousand Catholic high school and college students. The Convention was successful not only in attaining its objectives, but also in showing that there is no "flaming youth" problem among Catholic young people.

According to news dispatch the most striking feature of the Convention was the loyalty to Catholic ideals displayed by the delegates. It is well known that conventions in general are often marred by unbecoming conduct on the part of delegates. Free from the restraining influences of familiar surroundings many who attend conventions show their true character.

The Sodality Convention was, however, marked by a fine spirit of Catholicity and loyalty to Catholic training and Catholic ideals. There was an almost unheard-of decorum for college students in a Chicago hotel, a record in itself; for amid a most trying spell of humid and torrid temperature, during a bad Chicago heat wave, these young delegates, in long sessions deliberating and weighing their own problems in oratory and in logic and wisdom that would give credit to many an older head, did not infringe one rule set forth at the beginning of the convention regarding their conduct in the hotel and elsewhere. —The Western Watchman, St. Louis, Mo.

#### FREE BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

The decision recently handed down by the Supreme Court of the United States upholding the statute of the State of Louisiana under which free text books are furnished to private schools in the State, in time, may afford Catholics in the United States very considerable financial relief. In the State of Louisiana alone, the estimated amount paid out by the Catholic elementary and high schools for text books for the year 1927-28 was \$41,972.

In view of the Supreme Court's decision it is quite probable that the other States of the Nation will enact statutes similar to that of the Louisiana statute just sustained. "A Statistical Summary of Education 1927-28" published by the United States Bureau of Education indicates that in the year covered by the survey sixty publishers reported a combined income from text books sales of \$49,097,466. The total number of books sold was 64,170,484, of which 39,406,477 were for use in the elementary schools and 18,683,290 for use in the high schools. The average net cost of an elementary school text book was fifty-seven cents and of a high school text book eighty-seven cents. The estimated total expenditure for text books in Catholic elementary and secondary schools was \$2,242,000.

The burden of providing all of this amount would be taken from Catholics if the various States enacted the remedial legislation which the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court in the Louisiana case suggests as meet and proper.—The Evangelist, Albany, N. Y.