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## Editorials

### RELIGION IN CAMP ASSURED

The Reforestation Plan of the President is rapidly gaining headway. Week by week new camps are being located and organized to give employment to thousands of our young men. With the creation of these camps came the problem of the spiritual care of the men. The Government did not supply Chaplains for the purpose, but a letter sent out from the Office of the Chief of Chaplains placed the responsibility of providing priests for the camps directly on the Bishop in whose diocese the camps were located. This procedure, in many cases, created serious problems, due to the lack of priests. But, ever vigilant for the welfare of the children of the Faith, the Bishops have made the necessary arrangements to insure the practise of religion by the Catholic men in the camps. The pastors, in whose parishes camps are located, have been given assistants from the ranks of the newly ordained priests, and will now be able to take care of the religious exercises in the camps. Masses are being celebrated and an opportunity to receive the Sacraments is given the men.

The good Catholic priests are doing in these camps cannot be estimated. Many of the young men are from the larger cities of the country which have greatly felt the depression. For a long time they have been face to face with the tragic problem of keeping body and soul together. Out-of-employment for months, without sufficient clothing, food or shelter, these poor had gradually neglected practise of religion. Under the pressure of circumstances they failed to keep on going to Mass or to the Sacraments. Discouragement robbed their souls of any hope for the future and their minds were buried under the shadow of despair. What solace in their misfortune the Church could have given them was just sight of and day by day things for them became worse.

But their attitude has undergone a complete change. Food and shelter, with an opportunity to work, to earn their pay, has brought back their normal outlook on life and its relation to the future life. As a consequence, whenever a priest makes his appearance in the camp, he is greeted with actual joy by the men. They are again anxious to attend Mass and to receive the Sacraments. In one camp last Saturday, four priests were kept busy all the afternoon and evening hearing confessions. Such a fact speaks for itself. It certainly proves that the fire of faith still burns brightly in our Catholic Youth of today, even though the vicissitudes of life may sometimes blind its eyes to the beauty and solidity of that faith.

### THE CHURCH IS HOLY

Every normal created intellect seeks for Truth. The mind of man is constantly seeking the Truth, as his will, by force of his nature, seeks the Good. Man is not alone concerned with the material things of this earth, but he seeks to know the beauty and the truth of things beyond and above this earth, the spiritual.

Unless God had revealed these spiritual beauties and truths, the finite mind of man could never have learned their nature. Once revealed, these truths were placed in the keeping of the Church which was commissioned to teach them to all mankind. She was the institution left on earth by Christ to lead all men to heaven through the knowledge and acceptance of religious truth.

Now, if the work of the Church is so important, she should be endowed with signs whereby all men might recognize her as a True Teacher. She has these signs, four in number and known as her "Marks." The second of the four is holiness, and, even in the world of today, which seems to have lost, to a great extent, the notion of holiness, the Church still holds up this mark to prove her divine commission to teach all men.

In her Founder, the Church is holy. It was the Son of God Himself Who founded the Church upon St. Peter. He, God, is the author of holiness and only He is all holiness itself, and the source of holiness in creatures. In her object, the Church is holy. Instituted by Christ to lead men to heaven, her object is none other than the sanctification of men's souls. Whatever will lead men to a knowledge of spiritual truth, either directly or indirectly, falls under her jurisdiction; for only she is endowed with infallibility that aids her in her objective to save souls.

Clearly the means that the Church uses: her dogma, her moral doctrines, her Sacraments, all are holy and give holiness to men who believe and live, modeling their lives on the teachings of the Church. Nor does the Church change these means to suit the times. Ages come and go, but truth is eternal. Consequently the Church teaches today the identical truths that God revealed through His Son two thousand years ago.

Even if a man failed to discern the holiness of the Church in the above mentioned things, he could not help to note the holiness of life of many of her members and especially the heroic sanctity

of some of them. Listed among these is the name of Blessed Joseph Mary Pignatelli the Jesuit, recently beatified by Pope Pius. Although he lived in the trying days when the Society of Jesus was dissolved, he remained true to his vocation and had the happiness of reorganizing a Jesuit house. There are many saints, who, although their lives may have been led in obscurity, hidden away from the eyes of men, are the lights that God refuses to be left under the bushel. Their brilliance is the magnet that draws souls to follow after them, leading from them from what source holiness comes and in what does it consist. The result is that the Church is recognized as the True Church, through whom the children of men are made the children of God.

### CATHOLIC PRESS MEETING

There was history in the making during the last three days of last week in Chicago when the members of the Catholic Press Association met in their 23rd annual convention. It was with a feeling of great admiration that we read the reports of the convention coming to us through the N. C. W. C. News Service. These reports give an idea of the labors of the men, both religious and lay, whose names are great in the field of the Catholic Press. These men are devoting the best efforts of their lives to the cause of the Catholic Press which is the Cause of Christ and His Church. It takes such a means as a convention to give us the full picture of the wide field of their work and the successes which they are winning by the tireless efforts of their hard uphill struggle to put the Catholic Press in the position where it should be.

The Association is determined to take action against the anti Catholic radio broadcasts which we have already discussed in this column of the Catholic Courier. Attacks against the Church, unfounded in fact and rooted in prejudice, must not be allowed on the radio programs of this country without a very sharp protest from the Catholic population. A barrage of such protests will keep these harmful programs off the air.

Likewise, it will keep its Vigilance Committee which has done so much to prevent unjust methods being used to secure subscriptions to Catholic publications by agents who are unscrupulous in their procedure.

Very welcome is their announcement that the Literature Bureau will, during the coming year, offer prizes for the best original stories which will lend themselves to adaptation as moving picture plays. Protest after protest against the type of movie being constantly shown in our theatres has borne little fruit. We are glad that a new method to remedy the evil has been devised, and hope to see its results successful.

The problem of creating interest for the readers of Catholic publications was a subject quite frankly discussed at the convention. That, to our mind, is a problem that needs great study for in its solution lies the success or the failure of the aims of the Catholic Press. Our Catholic people do not give the support to the Catholic Press that it should have. Wherein lies the fault—on the part of the Press or on the part of the people? We cannot help but wonder if Father James Gilis, C. S. P., did not come quite close to the truth when he said that the Catholic mind has become secularized due to the fact that "we are completely surrounded by pagan civilization, even immersed in it."

Against such a condition the Catholic Press will keep up the battle to put good literature and good newspapers within the reach of every Catholic. But the Catholic Press cannot give the good will nor instill the good taste that will insure the reading of its material. That is up to the educators and to the heads of families working in conjunction with the parish priest.

## Current Comment

### "BIG" CATHOLICS

Perhaps the most potent lesson contained in the business reversal of the last few years is the ease with which money can be lost in the marts of finance. A portion of this money belonged to the men and women of this country who were pointed out as "big" Catholics but who never gave a dollar to a charitable institution, never endowed a school or seminary, allotted but a widow's mite to the collection box and doubtless refrained from mentioning the Church or its institutions in their will. Frankly, the probations of the wills of "big" Catholics brings little joy to their pastors or Bishop.

Oftentimes the rise of an average Catholic to a position of wealth and influence brings with it an entire dis-association with the Church. Nothing seems to be so readily forgotten. One might say that such personages seem to be conferring a favor on the Church when they stay within the fold. Attempts to have such members contribute to the church support are looked upon as the schemes of mercenaries who are always seeking money. They are "hounded" when asked to contribute to a religious endeavor yet they will give willingly when their names are emblazoned in the halls of Marmon.

With few exceptions rich Catholics can be labeled poor Catholics as far as the Church is concerned. Their wealth can be judged only by their philanthropy to worldly things and seldom by their gifts in the name of religion. Money swept away on the stock market has vanished, leaving no merit to him who played his judgment against the whirl of fortune. What was refused God over a number of years was taken away overnight by man.—Catholic Action of the South, New Orleans.

God wishes me to abandon myself to Him like a little child, who does not worry about what will happen to him.—St. Therese of Lisieux.

The Catholic university of America operates directly under the charge of the Holy Father and the American Hierarchy. This fact is perhaps not as well known as it should be among our Catholic people. It is also a fact that this institution has the distinction of being the only Pontifical university established in English-speaking countries since the day of the so-called reformation. Its importance can be measured by the noted alumni. Among them are numbered one Cardinal, that is Cardinal Hayes, over forty Archbishops and Bishops, 2,500 priests, over 5,000 religious and a large number of laymen now engaged in various professions.—The Missionary.

## Diocesan Recordings

When the delegates coming to the convention of the Ladies Catholic Benevolent Association, Supreme Council, gather in Rochester on July 10 it will be an assemblage of outstanding and capable business women. This society which has an insurance feature has been in existence for over 47 years. During that time it has spread throughout the United States and now has \$20,000,000 invested in municipal and church bonds and other investments. During those years there has been paid out in death claims the huge sum of \$12,000,000. Through the crisis through which the world has been passing, it is to the credit of these women that not one cent has been lost. In addition to their insurance department, the L. C. B. A. in all communities has always been ready to assist the Church in carrying on many forms of Catholic Action for the benefit of the Church in the localities in which branches are existing.

Five hundred days in the Monroe County penitentiary will give the man something to think about who was convicted last week of printing obscene literature. A suspended sentence of one year—penitentiary term and a \$500 fine was noted out by Judge Arthur L. Wilder and the defendant accepted the alternative of 500 days in the penitentiary stating he was unable to pay the fine. The harm done in producing dirty pictures can never be estimated. It is a constant thought to parents of growing children to know that some curb is being put on those who would capitalize on the weaknesses of human nature.

There is a bit of irony in the fact that the man who urges recognition of Russia by the United States is named "Popo."

People in the news. Mr. and Mrs. Michael L. Burke of 295 Wellington Avenue celebrated the 55th anniversary of their marriage last week. They were married in St. Patrick's Cathedral, June 19, 1878, by the Rev. James O'Hara. Sincere congratulations to Bernard Donoghue, of Auburn, former Notre Dame and Georgetown University athlete is beginning the practice of law in the office of John J. McCreary, General Joseph H. Wolf, K.S.M., senior member of the Irish Wolf and Fisher Company, who opened a new store on East Avenue during the week the banks closed announced additional floor space and a new store window in his new furniture store. Two excellent tributes were paid to the late beloved Bishop O'Hern, last week, one by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph S. Cameron in St. Patrick's Cathedral and another by the Rev. Joseph E. Grady at the testimonial dinner for Leo A. MacSwiney.

Francis J. Yawman, again heads the board of the Yawman and Erbe Manufacturing Company as president.

George Bernard Shaw terms the world economic conference, the "world idiotic conference," and immediately gets himself a lot of space in the press. Such criticism is like that which comes from the "grand stand managers" in athletic events and the "rooking chair fleet" at a yacht race.

We wish someone would give us a ticket similar to that given the Rev. C. F. Oltway, rector of St. Alban's, Cardiff, England. A friend presented him with a King Salmon ticket in the Irish sweepstake on the Derby. King Salmon being second, the ticket won 15,000 pounds, whatever that is at the present exchange rate. Father Oltway was nothing for himself but is going to devote the amount to paying off the debt on his church. We would be glad to pay off some of our debts, too, but the only ticket we seem to be able to get is an invitation to report for parking too long.

Small news items here and there tell of the successful achieving of degree by teachers in our Catholic schools of higher learning. It is too bad that these cannot be blazoned forth in big headlines for the significance is great to those of us having children going to Catholic schools. It is a strange thing but many people do not seem to realize that our priests and sisters are people and may achieve things in the fields of learning equally as important as lay teachers. Our good sisters and priests, however, do not seek the plaudits of the mob, but are content to go along quietly improving themselves by constant study and work that our children's future education may be of the highest standard. Even during these hot days of summer, many of them are working zealously in colleges and normal schools acquiring knowledge that may be imparted to their charges in the fall when school reopens.

St. Therese of Lisieux, on simplicity: "I have always remained little, having no other occupation than that of gathering flowers of love and sacrifices and offering them to God for His pleasure."

# STRANGE BUT TRUE

## Catholic Facts But Little Known

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By M. J. MURRAY

**The SKITTLE ALLEY**

This curious-looking CHURCH in NORWAY was once in Catholic hands—before the REFORMATION for it is ALMOST 800 YEARS OLD

at BLYTHE HALL, NEAR ORMSKIRK, LIVERPOOL, HAS BEEN CONVERTED INTO A CHAPEL BY THE PASSIONIST FATHERS.

Now a CATHOLIC CONFRATERNITY HALL this building in NENAGH, CO. TIPPERARY, was formerly the BRIDEWELL and many famous Irish patriots were imprisoned there.

Answer to last week's question: YES: POPE JOHN XIX (1024-32) WAS A LAYMAN AT THE TIME OF HIS ELECTION.

The famous SMILE of MONA LISA, which has occasioned endless controversy amongst artists, probably was influenced by the jesters and singers whom Leonardo da Vinci paid to amuse his sitter while he worked.

AROUND ITS BASE IS A TINY CLOISTER, AND THE INTERIOR IS ONLY 13 YARDS IN LENGTH.

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL WORK

By Rev. Jos. P. Mulken in The Monitor

There is a beautiful institution for orphan boys in the district of Cleveland. It is situated about two miles from the city. The building is a well planned and comfortable one. It is a concrete building, built on a concrete road, far from any congested center. One would think it was a model town with attractive residences. The cottage is separated from its neighbors, surrounded by grass plots and shrubbery. Of some instance is a modern school with some twenty class rooms, equipped with all conveniences. Some distance from this is the dining hall and canteen. Truly it could be called a little town, and its name is Parmadale. There is a large plot of grass, trees and flowers between the school and the cottage. In the midst of which is a large statue of Christ folding in His arms three children. Here is the secret of Parmadale—"suffer the little children to come unto me."

This institution is known throughout the country as a model home for boys. Its inspiration was Catholic Social Work. One of the deep interests of the Church is in her children. Young boys and girls are in a formative state. How they will act as men and women depends on the education of their youth. Many come from good homes, have the affection of mother and father and the training of a Catholic home and school. They reach manhood and womanhood and can act on their own responsibility. Some fail, but at least they find a chance. But what of the vast number of young people who lose father and mother? What of our orphan children? Are we going to neglect them? What will be their advantage? Too often they reach non-Catholic agencies who place them in non-Catholic homes. This is not always the fault of the agency, but many children come from careless Catholic homes. Agencies do not know that the parents were Catholics. What of faith of these children? Where Catholic social action work is established along scientific lines, many of these losses to the faith never occur. Workers are ever on the lookout for our Catholic children and see to it that they are placed in a Catholic environment. If for this reason alone, we should be only too glad to support Catholic Social Work. Our duty as Catholics is to preserve and protect the faith of our people. Any means that will bring this about should be employed.

This is what has happened in Cleveland. No Catholic child reaches any place but a Catholic home, be it private or public. When it is necessary to place a

child in an institution they have seen to it that it be as near the possible. A visit to Parmadale is a revelation. It is a model of the Catholic social work. The building is a well planned and comfortable one. It is a concrete building, built on a concrete road, far from any congested center. One would think it was a model town with attractive residences. The cottage is separated from its neighbors, surrounded by grass plots and shrubbery. Of some instance is a modern school with some twenty class rooms, equipped with all conveniences. Some distance from this is the dining hall and canteen. Truly it could be called a little town, and its name is Parmadale. There is a large plot of grass, trees and flowers between the school and the cottage. In the midst of which is a large statue of Christ folding in His arms three children. Here is the secret of Parmadale—"suffer the little children to come unto me."

It should be the aim of any Catholic charity movement to make our institutions as nearly home-like as possible. We must always have them, but we can make the lot of our orphan children less formal. St. Vincent's Orphanage in San Rafael is a model for any community and San Francisco people should take a great deal of pride in the work that has been done there. Every Catholic should interest himself in this work. He should visit an institution of this sort and see what is being done for our orphan children. Some realization might come as to the possibilities of Catholic Social Work. Every Catholic should be interested in ALL our children.

### Spiritual Thoughts

St. Francis of Sales: "Sometimes reflect on what you are, a child of the Catholic Church, and rejoice thereupon, for the children of that Mother, who desire to live according to her laws, remain always happy; and, as St. Teresa says, it is a great consolation at the hour of death to be a child of our Holy Mother the Church."

St. Francis of Assisi, arriving on the mountain of Alvernia: "I believe, most dear brethren, that it is the will of our Lord Jesus Christ that we dwell in this solitary mountain, because our sisters and brothers the birds show such joy of our coming."

## Back Through the Years

(A Glimpse through the files of the Catholic Courier and Journal)

April 7, 1894  
The sixty-first birthday of Father O'Hern, pastor of Holy Redeemer Church, was celebrated in the morning the school children presented him with flowers in the evening he was honored by visits from the Rev. Father of Ogdensburg, the Rev. M. Lavette and the Rev. J. A. Hartley of Palmyra, the Rev. A. Luzzo of Penn Yan, the Rev. J. Leary, the Rev. M. J. Harther, the Rev. J. A. Miller, the Rev. H. Reizenbohn and the Rev. T. H. Szadlinski of Rochester.

Very Rev. Msgr. Hypolite De Rege, domestic chaplain to Pope Leo XIII celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his appointment as chancellor of the Diocese of Rochester. Monsignor De Rege celebrated solemn High Mass assisted by the Very Rev. James F. O'Hare, V.G.; the Rev. Father De Bruycker of Williamstown, Conn.; the Rev. J. P. Kiernan, and the Rev. E. J. Hanna. After the services Dennis O'Meara in behalf of the students and professors of St. Andrew's Seminary presented Msgr. De Rege with a basket of beautiful flowers.

The Rev. Father O'Neil of Phelps delivered a lecture on temperance at St. Mary's Church, Genesee.

April 14, 1894  
Announcement was made that an addition was to be built to Nazareth Academy to contain an art collection donated by the Very Rev. Msgr. H. De Rege.

April 21, 1894  
Memorial windows of stained glass were installed in St. Patrick's Church, Danville.

The Aid Society of St. Mary's Church distributed \$741.41 among the poor of the parish during the winter, an annual report stated.

The Rev. Herman Renker, pastor of St. Boniface Church, died. He was born in Germany in 1835 and ordained in 1861. He came to America in July 1875 having been obliged to leave Germany on account of the Kulturkampf. He had been for several years a professor at Rheine. He served nearly 20 years as pastor of St. Boniface Church.

Msgr. H. DeRege was notified of his appointment as Domestic Prelate to the Vatican.

In sorrow there is no better refuge to which one may have recourse than to the Immaculate Mother whose only Son died on a Cross.