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By REV. OWEN B. MCGUIRE, D.D.

HARVARD HEAD'S STATEMENT REFUTED IMMACULATE CONCEPTION REAL MEANING VIRGIN BIRTH DOCTRINE AGAIN SET FORTH

The Christmas holidays have passed and will not return for another year. That is a consolation we have seen, of how the Catholic Church made the year and arranged its seasons. But there are some things we have with us all the year round, and among these are the scientists' theories of various classes. But there are roughly speaking three classes of them who draw the same conclusion from "the discoveries of science" and the conclusion is that these discoveries have disproved, relegated to the sphere of childish superstitions all the main doctrines that we believed as Christians.

I have said there are three classes of these scientists. One is represented by Wells. He knows next to nothing about science, as any instructed reader of his works can see, and as Mr. Belloc has proved abundantly. But as a writer of novels, as a story teller, with a strong and most convincing style he has obtained a great vogue and a large reading public. Then some of the scientists whose object was to combat the Christian religion, and who wrote an universal history and coached him in the writing of it.

Now, he has written an autobiography in which he boastfully tells that he has been in his life as illustrious as the great scientists, as to the Christian doctrine. This man at the age of 68 boasts that while married to his own cousin he lived happily with another woman. Then the blessed Virgin had no real father, married this other woman. She, he says, became scrupulous while apparently he became more amorous as he advanced in years and rejected several women. All this is his boast.

No, it is not all, but the rest is unfit to print. Another, but fortunately very different, class is represented by Arthur Brisbane. He does not pretend to give science at first hand. But he draws or suggests the "conclusions" of science and of course these conclusions are decisive against the old religion, whose tenets he has never learned.

Another class is represented by the new and young and arrogant President of Harvard University. He is, without doubt, an able and capable man, in his own field a learned man. If it were otherwise it would be inconceivable that he would be selected at his age as President of Harvard. He knows a great deal. But it is equally certain that he has still to learn a great deal. In a speech at Amherst College a few days ago he reported at length on the "pre-historic" (the word he used) who held certain "dogmas" as unwilling to allow the lovers of truth to proceed in their quest for truth. They are opposed to research. They are afraid of the consequences of research; while the scientists want to continue and get at the truth.

Conclusions Count Some other days we will talk about these statements. For the present I would tell you that we Catholics have no fear of research or of its consequences. Secondly, what we object to is not the facts that research reveals or we draw from the facts. In the respect the facts now show that the Catholic position is infinitely stronger and more secure than the position of a generation ago. Then the scientists could admit only a material, mechanical universe. All that was "real" to them then was the universe which exists only as we make it. Possibly, all reality may be spiritual. After another generation we may have another "conclusion" from research. We can afford to wait. These gentlemen are doing our spade-work. We shall reap the fruits, please God.

But President Conant makes one statement which can be corrected without waiting for a generation. He can himself correct it after a few hours study in the Harvard library. He is impatient with some professors who have proved "unfaithful to their trust." They were, he says, devoted to the quest of truth; but once they had got a good position they folded their arms and yielded to the complaints of those who don't know how far that is true. But Professor Conant goes farther and threatens them with what will happen. What happened, he says, to the monasteries. According to his history, the monks, the people, the people, the common people, rose up, attacked the monasteries and destroyed them, because the monks had proved, like these men, unfaithful to their trust.

Catholic Position Given Now that is a perversion of history. Professor Conant has but to turn over a few pages of Professor Gairdner's monumental work on the English monasteries to see that it is a perversion of history. The people did not rise against the monasteries. As a matter of fact they rose in rebellion against their suppression. Surely Professor Conant has heard of the "Pilgrimage of Grace," which was mainly a rebellion in defense of the Religious Houses. As Green and Callaghan say truly, the suppression was simply a game of "plaster by the King and the get-rich-quick party, bent on plunder. It was the same in Germany, with the princes and nobles.

I have told you that these people do not understand the Christian position, and that is true in matters that are not purely scientific. Let me give you a few examples. In His conception of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, that the child, and does that mean? One Catholic dogma is that our first parents sinned, fell from a state of grace, and that all their descendants are conceived and born in original sin. That original sin, the Catholic Church in 1642 defined as certain doctrine, what was already believed by tradition, that a generation the dogma was denounced as a Papal innovation, it was not found in the Bible. It was contrary to what was found in the Bible.

What is the Dogma? Now, it is not my intention here, and now to prove for you the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception. What I wish to tell you is that those who denounced the doctrine never took the trouble to examine to find out what the doctrine really meant. And that is true even today. One class of them had, and have today, the idea that what was meant by the dogma was that the Blessed Virgin was "immaculate" above or contrary to the laws of nature, in a word that the Blessed Virgin had no real father. An illustration of the fallacy is found in a story that used to be told by Dr. Brownson. Dr. Brownson became a Catholic after passing through all the forms of protestantism and Atheism. He lived in this country. He related that one day on a train he fell into a discussion on this doctrine with a fellow passenger. This gentleman divided the doctrine into two parts: "immaculation" they passed to a discussion of other matters, and finally the Doctor asked him what he thought of the doctrine of original sin. He did not know anything in any such thing. It was another superstition. Oh, then said the Doctor, you believe in your own "immaculate conception" you were conceived without the stain of original sin? In a word my friend the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception has nothing to do with the matter in which the body of the Blessed Virgin was conceived. It means simply that from the first moment when her soul was created it was free from the stain of original sin. This is the traditional and the true doctrine of the Church. Saint Joseph is honored as the real and true father of the Blessed Virgin. There is, indeed, a Catholic tradition, not defined as doctrine, that the Blessed Virgin was born when her parents had already advanced in age and did not any longer in the natural order expect an offspring. But that has proved also in the case of Isaac, the son of Abraham. Only in that sense the birth of Isaac or of the Blessed Virgin be called "miraculous."

Dick Whittington and His Cat To Be Staged At Eastman on Feb. 2

The presentation of "Dick Whittington and His Cat" by the Children's Theatre Company of New York is expected to be the latest and most successful of the season to the Eastman Theatre, on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 2.

Most of the stage plays for young people that have preceded "Dick Whittington and His Cat" have been popular largely to girls but the story of the boy who turned back to London when he heard the famous Bow Bells saying "Turn Again Whittington, Lord Mayor of London" will delight every boy who enjoys stories dealing with adventure and triumph over obstacles.

The tale of "Dick Whittington and His Cat" has been a favorite for generations. It is the story of a boy who believed that the stars and planets were paved with gold and traveled there in search of his fortune. He found work in the kitchen of a merchant but the cook was not kind and Dick ran away only to turn back when he heard the prophetic message of the Bow Bells.

The merchant had a beautiful daughter, but she was betrothed to the poor sailor boy being permitted to send something to trade when one of her father's ships sailed for foreign shores. Dick possessed only his cat, Dick Whittington, so he sent that. The cat, however, made Dick's fortune for the land to which the ship sailed was overrun with mice and had a huge price for Dick's cat that the boy became rich enough to go into partnership with the merchant and marry his daughter.

The Children's Theatre Company of New York, which presents "Dick Whittington" is a professional company of adult actors and is sponsored in Rochester by the Educational Theatre Society, the Civic League Association. Seats may be obtained now at the Eastman box office at 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents.

DIES IN PHILIPPINES Manila, (NCW) - The Most Rev. Juan Bautista, O.S.A., Titular Bishop of the Diocese of Cebu, died in Manila, Philippines, on Feb. 2, 1935. He was born in Brazil in the Diocese of Cebu, April 20, 1872. He was named Titular Bishop in 1909.

He was attacked by people who have never taken the trouble to find out what that position and those doctrines really are. But clearly that will our opponents, who pretend to be competent authorities in the matters on which they write. One reason for this ignorance I indicated for you on another occasion. Namely, that people in the world of "English" people, are descendants of those who were once called Protestants. The Bible had been made a fetish. It was to be taken literally, not only in the spiritual order, but in its reference to the material universe.

The Old Testament was, as I then said, more frequently quoted than the New. The Old Testament was written primarily and immediately for the Jewish people, that is for a state of society entirely different from what "Christianity" is. The Old Testament was written in a time of today and yesterday wars, and now that they have lost the faith of their forefathers, they take it for granted that the Old Testament is in its reference to the material universe.

Royal Marriage How this assumption runs into minor matters was manifested a few days ago in the press dispatch from London. You will remember that the Duke of Kent, the King's youngest son, was married to a Greek princess. She was brought up in the so-called Orthodox Church, and after the Anglican ceremony in Westminster, she was the great and beautiful Church of the Benedictines built in Catholic times. An Orthodox ceremony was performed in the Palace Chapel. It was the purpose of the Anglican ceremony to inform us that the Anglican ceremony was not required to promise to "obey" her husband. That used to be included in the Anglican rite for marriage, but was abolished a few years ago. St. added the dispatches, "It is still retained in the Roman Catholic and Orthodox ceremonial."

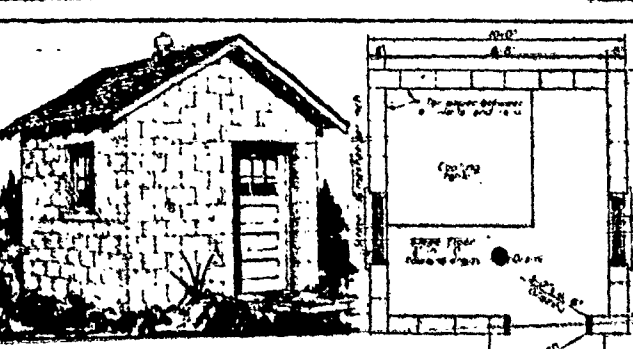
Now as a matter of fact, the promise of obedience is not now and never was included in the Catholic rite for matrimony. When and why it was included in the Anglican rite, I can't tell you. Of course, a measure of obedience is assumed in Catholic doctrine. In Catholic doctrine the family is a society. The father or husband is the head of that society. The society therefore must be authorized in the family the father as head of that society represents that authority. But the marriage ceremony or rite is not a catechism, nor a manual on Christian doctrine.

All that is required by the Catholic ceremonial for marriage is that the bride and bridegroom give mutual consent in the presence of the priest and witnesses required by Canon Law (2) by that consent the marriage is really effected, so that, properly speaking, the priest does not "marry" them. They marry each other. They are the real ministers of the sacrament. They administer the sacrament to each other. (3) Then the priest blesses that union and blesses the bride and groom. (4) Then the finger of the Bride as a symbol and promise of mutual fidelity. (5) The rest of the prayer is that they may live in peace in the will of God and in mutual charity. It is all that there is not one explicit word about obedience, our omniscient press agents to the contrary, notwithstanding.

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by Paul T. Haagen, A.I.A.

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Have you met "U. S. Holmes"? If not, you will be meeting him soon. He will call at your door, present his card, and show you his credentials.

Your government requests that you welcome Mr. Holmes, for he comes in your interests. He is one of 64 Federal Representatives who are calling upon every home-owner in the city in behalf of the Federal Housing Administration. The purpose of Mr. Holmes' visit, according to advice from the local FHA office, is to acquaint homeowners with the provisions of the Housing Act and to arrange, wherever cooperation is desired, long-term, government-backed loans for purposes of home repair, alteration and expansion.

Repairs Needed Due to restricted employment and the consequent shrinkage of the family income during the past few years, many homes have been forced to neglect the all-important matter of repairs to their homes. Surveys show that virtually every dwelling needs repairs of one kind or another. Yet most incomes have not advanced to the point where ready cash is available for this type of work. Consequently, there is a tendency to postpone the work until such time as the owner will want the necessary expenditures.

Such postponement simply adds to the cost of the work when that happy day comes for deterioration, and the cost of repairs will be a alarming rapidly. It doesn't take long for a nice-looking home to acquire that "run-down" appearance, once the roof has started to leak or the paint to blister. FHA To the Rescue Realizing these conditions, and at the same time sighting a way to provide employment for sorely stricken building trades workers, Congress, in its last session, passed the Federal Housing Act. Through this act, home-owners are enabled to borrow amounts up to \$2000 for the purpose of effecting necessary repairs to their property. Money is also made available for certain types of new constructions.

Because each loan negotiated through the FHA is guaranteed by the government, banks which otherwise might be restricted from loaning because of credit conditions, are able to advance the necessary funds to responsible home-owners and to allow much more liberal repayment periods than would be possible under private practice. As an evidence of the desire of Rochester home-owners to avail themselves of the opportunities thus provided, the local office reports that during the first five weeks canvass, repair and construction work aggregating more than \$700,000 has been arranged for. Local banks have loaned nearly \$150,000 through the FHA, and applications are being received in increasing numbers every day.

It is expected that, with the coming of favorable spring weather hundreds of new-lid building trades-workers will be employed here. Many already have been taken from the relief rolls. "Mr. Holmes' Part The figurative "Mr. Holmes" has been appointed to your home by the Federal Housing Administration. Through his efforts, more than 100,000 home-owners have been interviewed. Before his work is done, every property-owner in Rochester will be canvassed. Work running into several millions is seen as a result of the city-wide canvass.

Whether or not you plan immediate repairs to your home, you are asked to meet "Mr. Holmes" a cordial welcome. He is conversant with every phase of the Housing Act, and will answer any questions that may occur to you. If, on the other hand, Mr. Holmes has not called, and you are desirous of starting a repair or construction job, no matter how small, you are requested to get in touch with the local Federal Housing Administration office at 55 St. Paul Street. Mr. Holmes will make a special call at your home.

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