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they would not fight for America, even though the opposing force be an invading one.

When you get out in the night, leave not at home the family treasures in the care of such a genetic frustration. They may be gone when you return, and your baby boy lost too—under a pillow!

Encouraging to sturdy Americans was the news recently flashed out of the University of Detroit that the whole student body of this Catholic institution pledged themselves to fight for the United States in a just defensive war.

THE CAROLINAS

Most everyone has heard what on a certain occasion the Governor of one Carolina said to the Governor of the other Carolina.

It is the Catholic-Wagner anti-lynching bill, which would make local officials liable to punishment by the Federal Authorities if they failed to give proper protection from mobs.

Speaking against the bill, Senator Smith of South Carolina urged "the very humiliating necessity of going outside the law at times to vindicate the sanctity of our firesides and the virtue of our women."

Again the good-old-South, with its emotionalism and fiery oratory.

But when Senator Smith reads his speech in cold print, possibly he will regret his having gone so far as to condone lawlessness; also his confession that in the South it is not easy to vindicate "sanctity" and "virtue" except through lawlessness.

His Senator Bailey never heard that politics can be better than what he says they are.

Current Comment

THE RIGHT EUGENICS

Any effort to improve the race is commendable. The most terrible evil that could be inflicted upon mankind would be to turn loose the fadists with his uncertain diagnosis of "unfitness" or with his knife to cut off the sources and shades of physical and mental life.

UNIVERSAL

It appears that the 1,000,000 Communists in the world are doing more against religion than the 300,000,000 Catholics in the world are doing for it.

There is no return ticket to yesterday and no parcel post for forwarding the opportunity you left behind.

The Catholic Library

The charge has been brought against us that Catholics are not book-minded. We carry the point one step farther and ask ourselves if this is the answer to the old question of the scarcity of great Catholic novelists and novelists.

It would seem that the great periods of literature in succeeding centuries from Medieval times to the present are still closed books to the average Catholic layman.

THE WORST CRITICS

The worst critics of a Catholic paper are those who seldom or never read it. They do not support the paper or its authors, but they are the first to protest when the paper rebels against being continually ignored by some concern doing much business with Catholics.

THE LIBRARY SIGN POST

The Catholic Evidence Library extends a cordial welcome to the pupils of the Catholic Library Institute being held today and tomorrow in the Columbus Civic Center.

MISSION CHARITY

There is no plea that should strike a more responsive chord in the heart of an appreciative Catholic than the call of the missions.

And This Less Recent Book

SPANISH HERO. By Frank H. Spearman. Don John of Austria is the hero of this colorful romance which has the historical battle of Lepanto for its rousing climax.

CATHOLIC EVIDENCE LIBRARY

HOURS—Afternoon—3:30 through to 9:00 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

THE CATHOLIC EVIDENCE LIBRARY RECOMMENDS

This Group of Recent Books: DON JOHN OF AUSTRIA. By Margaret Y. Lee. Remember Chesterton's splendid "Lepanto" and his "Don John calling through the blast and the eclipse with the trumpet of his lips?"

STRANGE BUT TRUE Catholic Facts But Little Known

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By M. J. MURRAY

Illustration of a man reading a book with text: 'FLORENCE witnesses every Holy Saturday an unusual FIREWORKS display which commemorates a Florentine warrior's share in the capture of Jerusalem by the Crusaders in 1099.'

Illustration of a man reading a book with text: 'THE DRESS OF SOME NEW RELIGIOUS ORDERS is not unlike the customary modern clothing this is the indoor costume of a Sister of Social Service, a religious society founded in Hungary after the war and now doing excellent work in the U.S.A. and Canada.'

Illustration of a man reading a book with text: 'There are 44 priests in France to-day from the parish of Blainch, in a suburb of Marseilles whose population is but 2,000 souls. This is considered a record.'

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Diocesan Recordings

ACTIVE CATHOLICS

It was a swell day, last Sunday, to go on an outing to the family on an automobile ride, or just to relax completely from the toil of the week.

The Holy Name men going from all over the diocese, assembled in Canandaigua and the Knights of Columbus coming from various points in the diocese and from neighboring dioceses met in Rochester, Why?

An observer at either meeting hearing subjects discussed would soon realize that these men representing their various societies had foregone the opportunity to play a little, last Sunday, in the interest of what the Holy Father has termed Catholic Action.

Significant at these meetings was the evidence of a growing acquisition of sound information on problems of the day.

Addressed by their spiritual directors who lead the way in the current struggle against the Church, the Catholic laymen responded in discussion with intelligent comment on problems of today and offered suggestions for the solution of those problems.

The Holy Name men in well-ordered resolutions took up on the persecution just filed past week made more severe according to dispatches from Germany.

By the perfect exercise of one virtue a person may obtain the height of all the rest St. Gregory Nazianzen.

In all this is seen a growing interest in affairs affecting the Church and her members.

Not only were these discussions and resolutions but reports of actual activity to carry out the intentions of such resolutions.

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CATHOLIC EVIDENCE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (ARMED FOR BATTLE!) In 1492 Christopher Columbus sailed forth to battle the vast unknown stretches of the ocean.

In 1822 a handful of Catholics met in New Haven, Conn., to form a fraternal society for American Catholic men.

The Knights of Columbus have published their pledge. Today it is a fraternal society for American Catholic men.