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

About such jellylish, found in the University of Rochester and other schools, about such weaklings, lacking "gall to make oppression bitter," a word of caution to others should be timely. To their lathers whose loins they have dishonored: to their mothers from whose breasts they sucked manliness, only to throw it away later, a word of counsel may not be amiss.

When you go out in the night, leave not at home the family tressures in the care of such a genetic frastration. They may be gone when you return, and your baby boy lost too under a.

As for siners lady acquaintances, sweethearts -if the last is not too great a stretch-of such afarementioned, it would be well for them to choose other excests oughts. The possibility that a hogey man might cut into the trail, together with the possibility that short timbers or ant holes might be conveniently by should not be overlooked. 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 light for the United States in a just defensive war.

the students of the University of Detroit. A. R. in their Continents! Congress in Washington, April 18. It was resolved by the Daughters to call upon the state societies of the organization to deny the benefits of their student loan funds in students who pledged themselves never to deand their county and who unite with organisations where purpose it is to destroy the national defentes of the United States." JOHN E. MASSETE

### .THE CAROLINAS

Mant everyone han heard what on a certain occusion the Governor of one Carolina said to the Governor of the other Carolina. Attention is now called see what Senators from the Carolinas have recently given us in the way of wistlom.

It shill not pass!" shouted Senator Bailey of North Carolina has Thursday on the Senate Hoor, What shall not pass? A measure that on heat are and third thought aspears to be

worthy of massing.

If it the Coathgar-Wagner anti-lynching bill,
which would make local officials liable to-punishment by the Federal Authorities if they failed to

give primaters proper projection from mobs.

Speaking against the bill. Senator Smith of South Carolina urged "the very humanning personally of ground outside the law at times to vindicate the smetity of our firesides and the virtue

Again the good old South, with its emotional without and viery oratory.

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A second time Senator-hailey allowed himself to become suraged in the Senate on-last Thursday, this time striking at the radio priest of 13eto know and knye it in America. troit. Himself the son and grandson of a clergythe thing wanted and its recessary man, he declared that when he saw a clergyman was of good or ill should be made from A second community let had in our present his brow and throw it into the nearest spitteen the cent form of government, let that, and then throw the spitteen into the grants.

"Politics must be worse than we thought they of the thing wanted is greater than our were. However, if they are as vile as the spit-order of present family of government, so those of the spittooned guiter how can the inthe that the order and from now accepted percable and unimpeachable Southern gentleman, the its said to be, in apite of aprile Senator Balley justify his presence in the thick con-

· Has Sendior-Bailey never beard that politics can be other than what he says they are that THE ART OF THE RECESSARY CON-TRATION OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

the Samuel was to provide the contract of the Samuel of the right sort—with his background of culture, be usefully engloyest in politics? So defined, might not religion—of the right

ed of more sensible and effective efforts for sort—with its election to patriotism and the preservation of human rights and dulies, be helpfully employed in politics?

# Current Comment

### THE RIGHT EUGENICS

ed upon mankind would be to turn loose the faddist with his uncertain diagnosis of "unfitness" or with his knife to cut off the sources and shrines of physical and mental life. The only sure cure for degeneracy is to be found in chastity, in Christian veneration for the glarious

As a priest of Jesse Christ I would willingly after doubt in declare of the Church of God.

No security of our own could over suffice. It

## 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 ours old question of the scarcity of great Catholic novels and novelists. We hate to admit it but it would seem that the vast wealth of culture and learning which the Church as the sole preserver and custodian of culture and literature during the dark ages of the barbarian invasions has preserved for humanity and civilization has been lost or at least unappreciated by those within her fold.

It would seem that the great periods of literature in succeeding centuries from Medieval time the present are still closed books to the average Catholic layman. Why this situation? Because like many moderns, Cath-olica have never learned to use their leisure time to good advan-tage, have never learned that itstage, have a the treasure house of knowledge, that even without format aducation a man may lift himself above environment, class and wealth to a plane with those whom we term edicated. What are we to do about it? We must as always begin with the child, Teaching children how to use

their leisure time is a new thing in education; teaching children to work and think for themselves is becoming more and more the mim of educators. While we still maintain that the responsibility for the growth and education of the child rests primarily with the parents we realize that as in many other instances this work has been gradually transferred in great partyto the schools. That, however, does not eliminate the parents or relieve them of the responsibility. Only too many teachers can tell you the sad diffarence that exists between the child who has interested and cooperative parents and the child whose parents are indifferent to Me parents ure indifferent to ils progress in school or its play or amusement after school

In this connection one of the great boots to Shidhood is the library. A book is an adventure. altip satting the oven seas, it is a song of life and men. But there is "log every must s high rout" and a low" and we would and a low" and we would not have our children sail a leaky boat nor would we offend their ears with discord. Parents must watch that the books their children read when their minds are impressionable and their hearts enger to learn and taste of life are worthy of them and true Thence the need for a school ilbrary and an interest on the part of parents in that library

The Cutholic Education Office is working toward the development of complete libraries in every elementary school. Educationally the Catholic schools are doing a splendld place of work Those in charge, however, realize that progress and improvement must always be an incentive to the school-library is a necessary supplement to school work to speak commonly, "the frosting dld apportunity for teachers to interest and healthy curiosity in outside sending in connection with school work. That such reading may be found in their own school library is in-valuable Reference work, picture study, exhibits, displays, may att under the service of the

Hbrary Realizing the great value of a school library in Catholic schools we are expecting an arrive interest on the part of parents in the reports of the Catholic Library Institute to be held Friday and Saturday of this week in the Columbus Civic Center and in the parishes as a result of it We must prepare the thild for life and the enjoyment of life in which prepenjoyment of the market a great aration literature plays a great and As Cicero said. "These part. As Cicero said. "These studies (Ifterature) foster youth. delight old age adorn prospert ty, in adversity they offer a refuge and a comfort, they delight us at home, they do not hinder us abroad, they spend the night with us, they accompany us on our journeys, they pass the time with us in the country.'

MISSION CHARITY

There is no plea that should strike a more responsive chard in the heart of un apprecialive Cath-Even a hasty survey of the attu-ation would be all-convincing. Thousands of mon and women from all parts of the globo have dedicated their lives to this service, carrying the light of faith into caverus of pagan darkness, teaching the one who has never known, the great joy of knowing Yet, more than this great sacrifice is entailed. Our missionary m, handled to a high de gree of efficiency, must have the erewith to carry on and where it is to come from, if not from shares that wealth with those in

There is no Catholic ear that can furn away and feel justified.
There is no soul can conscientiously shirk this duty. The support of our missions constitutes an integral part of our practical Catholicity, defined by the law of justice and prompted by the law of love.—The Catholic Light (Scranton).

Strive, hite Mary, to fulfill faithfully, and for God, the ordinary differs of your state, sape-flast, takes which are repugnant to you

# STRANGE BUT TRUE

By M. J. MURRAY



### LIBRARY THE SIGN POST

The Catholic Evidence Library extends a cordini welcome to the guests of the Catholic Library Institute being held today and tomorrow in the Columbus Civie Centre With noted educators and librarians at such close range, the Evidence Library expects many visitors and critical surge.

We must always go to the young for help in any great movement. Catholic Action finds most of its onthusiastic agents in our students-End-sodnlists. But Catholic, Action without Catholic Intelligence cannot long . survive It is imporative, therefore, to give our young (and old) Catholic Ac-tionists a Catholic Intelligence This is developed by prayer and the Sacraments and Catholic education. None of these developing factors can be dispensed with. even after school days are over. Now the chief aids inward Cathe-olic courselon in post-school years are Catholic books well-written. suggestive provocative books But Catholic graduates will not read these books after graduation, if they have not been trained to rend these books after gradumtion, if they have not been to read them before This means that there must have been easy access to a representative supply of them and helpful guidan the use of them Both of these requisites are impossible without well-stocked (atholic school-libraries and adequately trained atholic school-librarians.

And thus, by straight deduction. you arrive at the corollary which is the main reason for assembling the Catholic Library Instisions is to center on the ways and means of expanding and intelliapplying our Catholic school library facilities, in gram. mar school, in high school, "and in

Perhaps, after the institute is over, some tired guest may feel about books as Kipling's British Tommy did about "Boots." very likely not, for the spell of books upon the geamine booktov-er dind all honest librarians are that) can be cut short by nothing less than paralysis of the brain and the Institute has been carefactor which might induce such a calamity.

If there is one thing a good te-That sounds too obvious, I know but sometimes the obvious does not work itself out in fact. frequently it happenes that the desire to make an imposing apance of gifts of books that are worthless A good library may not place quantity above

Some Catholics, with disgusted recollections of the insipid fare they are offered in their school that a Catholic library cannot be

### THE CATHOLIC EVIDENCE LIBRARY RECOMMENDS

This Group of Recent Books:

DON JOHN OF AUSTRIA. By Margaret Veo. Remember Chesterton's splendid "Lepanto," and his "Don John calling through the blast and the eclipse with the trumpet of his lips"? The magnificent hero of the last Crusade had a history stranger than fiction: Miss Yoo tells it with great gusto.

JOHN ENGLAND: BISHOP OF CHARLESTON. By Joseph L. O'Brien. The history of a pioneer hishop whose great accomplishments were little short of miraculous in a day when even ordinary Catholic accomplishment was attended by a hundred difficulties of hightry and religious discrimination.

HE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN ACTION. By Michael Williams, A remarkable panorama of the world-wide life and administration of the Catholic Church, written by one of the ablest journalists and most devout Catholics of our day.

And This Less Recent Books

SPANISH LOVER. By Frank H. Spearman. Don John of Austria is the hero of this colorful romance which has the critical battle of Lepanto for its rousing climax: its author has received the 1935 Lacture Medal from Notre Dame University.

CATHOLIC EVIDENCE LIBRARAY HOURS-Afternoon-3:30 through to 9:00 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

PIACE—Lobby of Columbus Civic Centre Building, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester, N. Y. DAILY RENTAL-One cent for each book.

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 advertisers, but they are the first to protest when the paper rebels against being continually ignored by some concerns doing much business-with Catholics. Michigan Catholic.

By the perfect exercise of one virtue a person may obtain the height of all the rest St Greg-

interesting I will agree with the protest to the extent of admit ing that I have seen shives of Catholic books whose mediocrity was depressing, like the gaudy cheapness of so many statues in churches. But I will be rude enough to shout down the charge Catholic books to make up an alert and appealing library THERE ARE after once let me use the Hearstian capitals. Of course, to the uninterested, all things are uninteresting. But the interested Gathalic will to lighted to discover the wealth of fine and attractive books which a well-planned Catholic library a Wett-plant.

The Catholic Evidence Library is not ashamed to make a bid fo admission into the National Catholic Library Association. Its him has consistently been not profit making but profit-giving. It has worked to that end by offering the Rochester public the good better and best of Catholic literature Its work has just begun of its progress shead With new hooks constant being added, new friends steadily being gained, and new plans greater efficiency keeping it up to th minute, it can take its place without presumption in the movement which the Library Institute is fostering for better Catholic Libraries.

## Diocesan Recordings

ACTIVE CATHOLICS

was a swell day, last Sun day, to go on an outing to take the family on an automobile ride, or just to relax completely from the toil of the week Not so, however, for 250 Catholic priests and laymen, members of the Holy Name Society, or 100- Catholic gymen and laymen, Knights of Columbus.

The Holy Name men going from all over the diocese, assembled in Canandaigua and the Knights if Columbus coming from various points in the di-ocese and from neighboring dio-

ceses 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 was the evidence of a growing acquisition of sound information on problems of the day. Our Tatholic lafty is becoming anformed and is taking intelligent action to combat the forces. concerned solely with stuffying or killing completely religion of all kind and particularly the

Catholic religion Addressed by their spiritual directors who lend the way in the current struggle against the Church, the Catholic daymen responded in discussion with intelligent comment on problems of today and offered suggestions for the solution of those problems. The Holy Name men in wellprepared resolutions touched up-on the perescution just fills past week made more severe according to dispatches from Germany Support of the Borah resolution in Congress calling for reventing of true conditions in Mexico was urged and intervention by the United States Government in Mexican affairs advocated to be stopped Catholic education, the Church's position on Birth Control. Sterilization and, Eugenica were treated in resolutions which showed a deep grasp-of-the press came in for its share of discus-sion. Catholic opposition to the so-called Child Labor Amend-ment was clearly explained The faulty wording of the Amend-ment, its possibilities for infringement on family rights, and the dangers of forced tileness upon youth to the age of 18 years were cited. The lending library with filthy literature made avails able for children was decried AT the Knights' meeting the Church's position on social justice was thoroughly discussed

In all this is seen a growing interest in affairs affecting the Church and her members. discussions gave ample evidence of the increasing enterest in the Catholic papers and especially the diocese organ, the CATHOLIC COURIER Mention was made of several issues treated exclusively in this newspaper which showed that our Catholic men are reading this newspaper and are becoming informed

Not only were there discus sions and resolutions but reports of actual activity to carry out the intentions of such resolution -- Immeasurable good will once out of these two meetings. The societies delegates will go back to their respective groups, report what took place and take steps to wid-en the activity among other Catholic men Could every Cathtended either of their meetings. without being enthusiastically inspirited to do his part in promoting Catholic Action

### TOO LATE

Public school authorities now manifest concern over the Com-pulsory School bill signed last signed last week by Governor Lehman raising the age limit from 14 to 16. Opposition to this bill was voiced Rochester Branch Catholic Central Verein. Such opposition should be considered before such laws go into effect

#### CATHOLIC EVIDENCE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GIRDED FOR BATTLE!

1492 Christopher Columbus sailed forth to battle the vast unknown stretches of the ocean to find a shorter route to India His marines were Franciscan monks whose purpose it was to war against sin and ignorance to convert Pagans to Christianity In 1882 a handful of Catholics niet in New Haven, Conn., to form fraternal society for American Catholic nien. Little wonder that they named their infant organi sation after a zealous Catholic and our first great American. "Knights of Columbus": Today there are more than 600,000 of them with Councils in every state

of the Union and through the other Americas. Knights? Yes! Waging the war of the ichiess, the hungry, the na-ked, the homeless. Fighting ever for a greater knowledge of God and devotion to the Faith. Battling for charity, education, understanding and tolerance, unalloyed devotion to the land that gave them birth.

The World War records are

the K. of C. - heroic service for man of every creed

the encampments at home and

the herculean afterwar task for the ex-service men, sick, injured, jobless, penniless
This is indelible history; and yet within the decade of the signing of the Armistice, these great workers for God and country were attacked venomously and absurdly by the bigots and unscrupulous politicians, with the publishing and preaching of \*

and our neighbors of other The Knights of Columbus have published their pledge. Today it is as open and as patriotic as war record. But history repeats itself, and come a time there doubtless will, when the same old accusations will be dug up from their graves. Bigots and falsifiers will again be believed. But the Knights of Columbus will continue in their patriotic, humane and religious work. And Catholics in general, and many of our own, non-Catholic neighbors, will smile, we believe, because we have the facts and - thank God - a sense of the ridiculous.

Catholic Information Society of Narberth, Pa.