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All be found.

No enverting sentence quoted by Mr. The President was writing to Representa-Bill. Chairman of the Ways and Menns ministee investigating the Guffey coal In addition to his concluding senquoted by Mr. Lawronce, he said that your is in a position to give assurance that proposed acts will withstand conional test for the simple fact that you see not ten but a thousand differing

evisions on the subject." Program also said that "a decision Supreme Court relative to this word helpful as indicating, with the constitutional limits must The class Covernment must s words Coonstitutional limits withtrumonal limits withcorrespond must operate,"

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which that Court may render advisory opinions on legislation, either to Congress, or to the President, the only method of determining constitutionality of legislation is to pass it, and then institute a test-case. "That is what President Roosevelt will have to do-unless our whole legislative machine is to be stalled every time some legislator questions the constitutionality of a

"It is not the function of Congress to ttle-quentions of constitutionality. That

solely-the prerogative of the Supreme

Court, And until we have some system by

"It is clear what the Tories want. They want the President to do nothing. Those Tories offered no remedy during the many years they were in power. Nor do they offer

structive effort any one has made to end the demoralization of a vital industry. Yet the Forest cry. No, no. This bill may be unconstitutional."

As "The Record" well points out, there is no authorized system in this country set up to advise the President or Congress previous to legislative action as to the constitutionality of any proposed set. As far as the Su-preme Court is concerned, it is empowered to judge the constitutionality of statutes, proposals already made into law, and then only when litigation is "initiated by a cit-isen complaining that the administration of the law deprives him of some constitutional right. Furthermore, when a case or controversy is brought before the court, its decision is restricted to a determination of the law applicable solely to the facts involved in the case.

the case."

We are here quoting Dean Dinwoodey.

Editor of the "United States Law Weekly,"
who also says that "the Schechter decision invalidating the NRA was not a complete determination of the broad issue concerning the limits of Rederal power under the Constitution within the bounds of which the New Deal must remain, nor can all the New Deal decisions of the Supreme Court thus far announced be considered to have fully doined such limitations. The fact that one legislative method does not conform to the Constitution does not necessarily import that other legislative methods are unconsti-

tutional."

And so before proposing any amendmants, it must first be determined whether the present document affords sufficient authority for the administration's program; and if not in what particulars the constitu-tional power of the Rederal Government to cope with national problems is lacking."

Mitution. That there have been amend. "Obviously, no amendment can be drafted to before and that before their accepts which will make accure the fundamental of the people, those proposing them principles of the New Deal until the Supreme that at the President, should be a mat. New Deal such as the Agricultural Adjust-of-common knowledge. But apparently, ment Act, the Wagner Act, the Guffey bill (if passed), the Scourities Act, the Stock Exchange Act and the Holding Company chington commentator, we lately got the Act. Until this evidence is in, it would be unwise to attempt to formulate a proposal for the consideration of the American

Seeking out solutions of nation-wide social and economic problems in the midst of uncertainties as to whether, or how such citationality however reasonable, to find place within the present framework of the surgested legislation. The Constitution, the Administration must the latentamount, continued Mr. fly blind to a large extent. But that should the to saying that it doesn't mate not excite misgivings as long as the Supreme hother a bill is plainly unconstitutional. Court is in the offing, ready upon suit to define, correct, to clear the atmosphere.

Tollowed, there would be an end solutions as may be thought advisable can

DOCTOR WILLIAMS

With the death last week of Dr. Walter Williams of Columbia, Missouri, ended a notable career. It was crammed with interest,

especially for journalists. Dr. Williams was never blessed in his carly years with a college degree. He never received even a high school diploma. Nonetheless, he scaled great heights in the fields of journalism and education.

Born in 1864, he obtained his first newspaper job at the age of 15 in the composing room of "The Boonville (Mo.) Topic" at 70 cents per week. At 23 he was editor and part owner of "The Boonville Advertiser" and president of the Missouri Press Association,

It was in 1890 that Dr. Williams began to make curnalistic and educational history. It was his aim to raise the professional standards of journalism and his efforts in that direction soon gained him national prominence.

He wrote "The Journalist's Creed," in which he laid down the standards of his profossion. It was a code of ethics and has had a wide and helpful influence in journalistic circles. Among other things, it ruled out the subjective element in reporting news. It is largely due to Dr. Williams that the good reporter of today keeps his own views

but of his reporting. In 1908 he founded the School of Jourmilism in the University of Missouri, the Tring the President a fair first separate division in any university to be organized exclusively for instruction in worked out by him that served as a model for other schools of journalism afterwards

opened in other universities. Later he became president of the University of Missouri, an unusual honor for a

practical journalist. The more we scan the unique career of Dr. Williams, the more inclined we are to Lelleve that journalists are born, not made,

Who Helps The Poor?

What has the Catholic Churc over done for the poor?"
So important was this question that a Catholic Evidence Guild is devoting one of its periods each night to answering it. Should the Guild last indefinitely it will never catch up with the complete an-Wer.

It is a curious fact that it is difficult for those who dislike the Catholic Church to express this dislike in any other way than throwing bricks, or throwing throwing bricks, or throwing questions which display an utter ignorance of the subject. A Catholia knows exactly west he distilker about imperfect religions; he has only to judge their deficiencies by comparing them with his own realities. The opponents of the Catholic Church never know where to begin when the know where to begin when they try to demolish the Church; the osly one who can successfully de-molish a part of the Catholic Church (not of course the whole) is one who was reared a Cutholic, and therefore knows exactly what For a man to stroll up to s

Catholic meeting and ask what the Catholic Church has done for the poor is not much of a com pilment to the judgment of the poor whom presumably, he wishes to help. Surely the poor are past help if, with no advantage to themselves, they continue to be the mest vital part of the Catholic Churchel One might almost say indeed the thing is said by these -indeed the thing is said by those who express a different kind of dislike for it—that the Catholic Church is practically made up of poor people. One might almost ask: what has the Cutholic Church done for itself? This silly question: "What has the Catholic Church done for the

poor?" rests upon a very super-ficial end mistaken impression.

The Church always seems to be right It is said that the higher

clergy have plenty of money to spend; it is said that the Church hulkis very expensive churches; it is said that the laity are laid under very heavy contributions.

Therefore the Church-lives on the poor instead of helping it. And the poor go on paying because they are afraid that their souls will be lost if they do not. That is about the statement of the case. It is curious that the spending of money is supposed to be an in-jury to the poor in the case of religion; but in nothing else Peo-ple hall the laying of the keel of a new battleship because it wills. give work : they are delighted with he erection of new banks, postoffices and museums for the same reason. When it comes to building a Church their admiration. coares. Why Because, say they, the money comes from the pockets of the poor As if nearly all the money to build everything olso does not come from the pock-ets of the poor? Money coming from the pockets of the poor is one of the healthiest signs of pros-

have some money in their pockmoney in order to acquire power over the poor the case would be different, it is rather a good thing that the modern Church is always in debt for it is a proof that the money goes: we were about to say before it comes-

perity, for it shows that the poor

Pomp and magnificence have always been the great delight of the poor. Spending money has been their great joy; that is why they are poor; and why other pe ple are rich. To clothe their-prients in gold, and to build high Palaces for the King of Kings has naver done the poor any harm its only thing that can hurt the poor is to take away their rights, and the chief right is the right to live in decent comfort.

The Church has not destroyed the poor by making them paupers. that is by making them slaves; it has helped them by fighting for their rights. In fighting for the rights of the poor the Catholic Church may be said, without any fear of contradiction, to be alone and unique. The Catholic Church is the only institution in history which has mover ceased to say with its Divine Founder. "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Distributing alms is often a su-prenie duty but it is an emergency duty Many rich men have dis-tributed alms; the good that it did was to themselves. They gave away something that was weighing their souls down. Others have built institutions; but institutions carely help the poor; they may help those who don't want to be poor; they may help some poor people to become rich. To make all the noor rich would not hel the poer it would simply get rid of the poor. A world of rich peo-ple would be unfit for decent peo-

ple to live in. Take a glance at the papers today. Here, there, and everywhere the Catholic Church is being attacked. Why? For one singl reason; because it is defending the poor; because it is opposing the power of the powerful; because it is "the poor." The poor do not ask for much; they do not need much because they already pos-seen all the real enjoyments of-life; they do ank for the right to exist as "the poor" and not as pausers. If the Catholic Church were to regain the influence that it once had in temporal affairs our economic problems would be solved; it is this fact that the Communist, the Socialist, the Plutocrat, and the plain heretic press. Faith produces Holy Presserve averythings else produced Pasperlane — Calbalic Standard and Times (Philadelphia.)

STRANGE BUT TRUE Catholic Facts But Little Known

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Hilaire Bellec is a very excellent Jack-of - all - literary - trades From noble biography and in-spired poetry down to the deli-cious spoofing of his Nonsense Rhymes, he moves a deft hand Among many excellences it is hard to pick one that is characteristic. I am inclined to agree with those who think that Bellec is unique and apart in the death-scenes of his great biographies. But there is another forte which I think is his by right patent. a mordant humor as incisive as the dry-point of an engravor

Belioc's best qualities move easily in his essays. Here you can find grave and gay, satirical and tender. They are like an April day in the quick variation of their mood, and the interplay of activily and repose is so adveitly bel-anced that no experienced reador is tempted by monotony or fatigue to random haphararely through the pages. If it will root seem a trivial anticlimax may I. suggest that a summer salad riegated and refreshing and substantial, is a not unfitting analogy for the Belloc essays.

For instance, in the collection which he names "A Conversation with a Cat, and Other Empys," there is tamong many fine mostsels) the seasy of the title-name with just the kind of monologue which any connoisseur of cats might be expected to carry on with a furry sphinx on his lap the hilarious "A Guide to Bering." as if most of us needed any help in that; the miniature word-portrait of Charles Brandon Dukes Suffolk, whose 'masurka career" broke off to sharply, and that masterpiece in Bitle, "Archbishop Laud on the Scaffold," with the restrained austerity of its tell-

It is told of Bellor that he has

travelled on foot over all the ground described in his travel books and essays. For his biography of Napoleon, he personally visited and studied the ground on which the great Nanojeonic bat. tles were fought. All of which means that he has been a pilgrim over almost all the grou He has stopped at hundreds of wayside inns quaffed scores of unprecedented wines. and talked with all types of the great human bazzar. And best of all, he has liberally recorded all this metropolitan and cosmopolitan lore all through his books. and no one can write about the far places and things of travel quite like the same Hilaire Belloc.

In 'Aguecheok's "My Unknown Chum," there are also some mellow essays on travel, as well as some more thoughtful ones on Boyhood and Boys," and Girlod and Cirls," and also some philosophic ones on and "Life"

When the virtuous and humble man is corrected for a fault, he grieves for having committed it. the proud man on the other hand, on receiving correction grieves also; but he grieves that his fault is detected, and on this account is angry at the person who cor-rects him. St. John Chrysostom.

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Spiritual Thoughts

All devotion which does not cause us to renounce self or our own will and satisfaction to bear our cross and follow Jesus in the way in which he walked is nothing but an illusion. Venerable

It is not on the multiplicity of our actions that the progress in perfections depends but on the fervor and purity of intention which we do them. St Francis de Sales.

Do not flatter yourself that you will ever be able to acquire humility unless you practice those particular exercises which tience, etc. Leo XIII

Insensate worldlings' unhappy ones, where do you seek to sails gentle Heart of Jesus, which can alone afford you the happiness you seek. St Augustine.

Through an excess of love. Christ opened His Side, in order ence Justinian. to Tive you His Heart St. Laur

Human support is a fragile reed, let us look to God alone and we shall act with peace and imperturbable confidence, even when we do not succeed. St. Madeleine Sophie Barat.

If by silence we hide the faults of others, God will also hide ours. but if we divulge them. God will also make known our own. St Poemen

Unhappy is the man who knoweth all things and knoweth not Thee, but happy who knoweth Thee, though he knoweth naught else St. Augustino

Diocesan Recordings

A doctor in Hollywood has "brought back to life," a monkey, frozen in ice for five days. This is nothing compared to the "monkies," dictators of nations persecuting religion are making of themselves.

When a parish in these days is able to build a new church edifice that parish, its pastor and members, should be highly commend They have done the unusual under trying conditions. Sunday, St. George's Church (Lithuanian) will be dedicated on Hudson Avenue, Rochester The event will be well worth recording. Despite the times, pastor and people have worked zealously and determinedly to bring about a pleasing edifice in which to honor their God and to practice their Holy Faith. Congratulations.

Accessible by boat, train, automobile, or airplane, the city of Cleveland, Ohio, will be a converging point for thousands who will assemble there September 23 to 26 for the National Eucharistic Congress. Many in this diocese will avail themselves of the rare privilege afforded to attend this event in which the Holy Eucharist will be adored in a special manner In addition to the deep-ly, significant opportunity for special grace, the Congress is also going to be made an occasion for those who are interested in Catholic Action to increase their knowledge of its meaning. Sectional meetings will be held with the general thome to be discussed announced as The Holy Eucherist, the Source and Inspiration of Catholic Action." Rleven groups will meet, each with its own speakers and discussion leader. Catholic Action," as Pope Pius XI has stated, consists not merely of the pursuit of personal Christian perfection, which is however before all others its first and greatest end, but it also consists of a true apostolate in which Catholics of every social class participate, coming thus to be united in thought and action around those centers of sound doctrine and multiple social activity, legitimately constituted, and as a result, aided and sustained by the authority of the bishops."

To follow out the Roly Father's wishes, what better opportunity could be offered than the National Eucharistic Congress as a begin ning for a well-rounded ('atholic Action program in the fail?

Rochester diocese representatives at the Catholic Students Mission Crusade convention in Dubuque, Iowa, this week heard the Catholic students of the United States lauded highly for their sacrificing zeal in furnishing funds for the missions. Also did they hear praise for the educational program of the Crusade The latter was said to show that the apostolic spirit is well deto prove that the average student willing to make intellectual offorts when the motive is an inspiring one. In the last two years more than 2,700 degrees in the Order of Paladins honor society of the Grusade were awarded for achievement in the field of mission study. While many are deploring the unconcern for the deeper things manifested by students of today it is refreshing to know that a large group of our Catholic students are engaged in work worthwhile, the progress of the universal church

A peaceful land is one in which everybody is getting his fair share trouble San Francisco Exam-

They can cut the Townsend pension tax in half, says the Southwest Courier, because no

He who promised pardon to the sinner who does penance has not promised a tomorrow in which to do it. St. Gregory

CATHOLIC EVIDENCE

OF COURSE HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD!

History records a Man of 1900 years ago, Who claimed to be God. History relates that He proved His claims by doing the humanly impossible—curing the A CONVERSATION WITH A CAT, AND OTHER ESSAYS. By Hilaire sick, blind, deaf and dumb and raising the dead to life. HILLS AND THE SEA. By Hillaire Belloc. Essays as refreshing

History has written down in-delibly that Jesus Christ rose from the dead on the third day after His crucifixion, just as Ho, Himself, had forefold, thus prov-ing definitely His Gedhead.

So certain is this historic fact that the greatest enemies of the new Religion dared not deny the evidence; for they knew that the hundreds who had seen the risen Christ would laugh them to scorn. So conclusive a proof of the di-vinity of Christ was the Resurrection that its preachment was the chief instrument in bringing thousands upon thousands into the Church in the early days, and millions upon millions during the

centuries since.

ristory? What history? The greatest and most authenticated history ever written—the Gospels. The history that has proved itself thoroughly and permanently by coming unscathed through the attacks of the greatest minds of pagans and atheists throughout the centuries.

But yet another history con-firms the facts. Flavious Josephus, the learned Jewish historian of the first century, who embraced Christianity, never writes thus:

"He was the Christ. And when Pilate, at the suggestion of the principal men amongst us, had condemned him to the cross, that leved him at the first did not forsake him; for he appeared to them alive again the third day, as the divine prophets had fore-

And yet there are some today who deny by their teaching and preaching the historic fact of the Resurrection perhaps because it is religious. Christian and Catholic: for they doubt not at all the accomplishments of Xerxes. Alexander and Caesar whose histories are far less authenticated.

Of course, Jesus rose from the The Catholic knows this from Faith and from Fact. And on Easter Sunday the Church celebrates that most glorious of all festivals, the Ressurection, by which Christ proved Himself God and restored to a fallen race the great privileges lost by sin.

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