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I earnestly bespeak for the CATHOLIC COURIER the widest and most generous support of our friends and readers, and I especially hope that it may carry into every home in the diocese the salutary influence of the Catholic Press. If Pope Pius XI could say for the whole church "anything that you do for the Good Press, I will consider as having been done for me personally." I feel that for this diocese I can and should say, "Anything that you do for the Catholic Courier, I will consider as having been done for me personally."

EDWARD MOONEY, Archbishop-Bishop of Rochester.

Editorials

BLESSED BE HIS HOLY NAME

Needling the darkness of a quiet summer night like so many pin points flicker the glowing flames of thousands of candles.

From thousands of throats comes the age-old Holy Name pledge:

"I dedicate my manhood
To the honor of the Sacred Name of Jesus Christ
And beg that He will keep me faithful
To these pledges
Until death."

Thus the world again thrills to an impressive public demonstration of the Faith by our laity massed together as a solid unit under the banner of the Holy Name Society.

Sunday night at the Red Wing Stadium Rochester will witness another such demonstration — the first in this city in three years. It is the annual outdoor-rally of the Diocesan Holy Name Union and one of the greatest gatherings of our Catholic men in the history of the diocese is expected.

The Holy Name Society in the Rochester diocese has made remarkable strides in the past few years. It is by far the most representative of our lay organizations. In staging outdoor rallies such as the one scheduled for Sunday the Holy Name Society is carrying out the prime purposes of its existence — "to maintain and to increase man's faith in the divinity of the Saviour — to promote respect and honor for His Name."

To the tidal wave of religious indifference and downright prejudices rolling across the nation today, the Holy Name Society is our check — our safeguard.

It is a blessed Catholic antidote to the venomous poison issuing from so many channels of iniquity.

Today, more than ever, our Catholic men should rally under the Holy Name standard.

I GO TO CHURCH

Henry C. Link, Ph. D., Director of the Psychological Service Center, New York City, now goes to church. He goes because he "would rather lie in bed late on Sunday mornings."

He goes because he "may disagree with what the minister has to say." He goes because he does not believe in "all the doctrines of this church, or any other church."

He goes because he hates to go, and because he knows it will do him good.

Dr. Link lost his religion while in college but his experiences as a practicing psychiatrist forced him to realize that "the findings of psychology in respect to personality and happiness were largely a rediscovery of old religious truths." So he goes to church.

The logic of Link is indefensible. He has built up a purely pragmatic argument. It is not for him to go to church; therefore he goes. Dr. Link characterizes his return to religion as "highly intellectual."

But he miserably contradicts himself by ignoring the proper object of the intellect — truth. He says that "agnosticism is an intellectual attitude," but he adds "faith; even in a humerology, astrology, and what you will, is better than no belief in anything, no matter how useful to an individual it is in his belief, than no belief at all."

He backs a condensation of the thousands of people who are misled by him. If this is

true, then thousands of men and women have lost more than their religion — they have forgotten what the word means.

Religion is derived from the Latin "religare," which means "to bind." It implies the notion of being bound to God. Man, a creature, gives to God the homage that is due to God, because He is the Creator and Lord of all things, the Supreme Being. We owe adoration to God.

In the mind of Dr. Link, this "bond" is missing. His concept of religion ignores the real obligation we have to adore God. The idea of worship simply isn't there. "I go to church," he says, "because I know it will please my old father." He doesn't go to please God the Father.

Yet in spite of its deficiencies, its lack of logic, and its loose thinking, Dr. Link's "Return to Religion" contains many observations that are truly Catholic. He stresses the necessity of training children in the fundamentals of morality while they are very young. There can be no solution to life's deeper problems, no increased happiness for the individual, through science alone.

More science only adds more confusion. Unless the sciences are subordinated to the homely facts of living, they will destroy rather than liberate the minds which created them. They must be subordinated to faith, to a religious belief in certain values of life which are fundamental and which no logic can displace.

LITTLE MAN — WHAT NOW?

The class of 1936 is lining up. Within the next fortnight these youngsters, armed with diplomas, youthful enthusiasm and a high resolve will march forward into a world caught in the meshes of economic discontent.

These young men and women will try to find their niche in this strange scheme. Some will succeed. Some will not. Unfortunately the graduate of today too often sees the hopes and aspirations of school years dashed against the ledge of a business world which will not admit him nor even give him a chance to start on the bottom rung.

Thus is many a spark of genius snuffed out never to glow again.

From this complex outlook rises the repeated question: "Is the graduate of a Catholic college or high school better equipped than his brethren to fight life's battles?"

As far as practical knowledge of academic subjects go there may be little to choose. But away and above that practical knowledge is the firm foundation of faith grounded into the graduate's soul by years of careful Catholic training.

That's where the Catholic graduate has the edge. Faith parallels hope and it is this virtue which keeps our graduates beating their way along the rocky road to success. They'll be turned down, yes. But invariably they'll never turn back come what may.

Combine this trait, peculiar to our Catholic college graduates with a more receptive mood on the part of business and we find the graduates of today facing a somewhat brighter aspect than their brothers and sisters of the past few years.

They say there's always room at the top for a GOOD man and that holds good today more than ever.

TRIAL BY MOCKERY

Paralleling the "justice" which Christ received in the courts of Jerusalem in the treatment accorded Catholicism in "Nazi" courts Germany.

Exactly as predicted in the news columns of the CATHOLIC COURIER more than a month ago, the Nazi regime has launched its defamation campaign against religious orders on a wholesale scale, bringing 276 Franciscans to trial in Kolenz.

What are the charges? "Immorality." What is the "evidence"? Nothing but a group of false witnesses and faked photographs. In America we would call it a "frame-up."

Now let's glance back and see what a German exile, Prince Lowenstein, predicted in the account printed in this paper. He said:

"There will be wholesale arrests of Catholic priests. There will be a series of trials spread out over a long period—in which trumped-up, thoroughly faked—evidence of moral turpitude will be introduced against the priests. . . . Hundreds of faked photographs are already prepared. False witnesses are being rehearsed for their parts."

A certain Father Steinhoff is described in the press as having "pleaded guilty and repented his offenses."

Deciding to check up on that report, Father Toomey of the staff of AMERICA last week sought out Prince Lowenstein who made the original forecast.

The prince scotched the report completely. He explained that Father Steinhoff has long been an outstanding figure in the battle against Nazi paganism and the Nazis, in turn, have tried to mark him as their special target. They sprang a series of false charges against him as early as 1929 but German justice then was more than a phrase and the priest was completely exonerated. Apparently, like a certain well-known police force, the Nazis are intent on "getting their man."

It's sad but obviously true that in these allegedly enlightened times, a group of power-thirsty gangsters has seized the helm of a mighty nation and twisted its cross into a swastika.

The Question Box

Questions to merit an answer should be written on one side of paper and should not be part of other correspondence. The sender's full name and address must be given although no names will be published. We cannot enter into correspondence over questions submitted. Letters better referred to one's confessor will be considered. Address all questions to: The Question Box, The Catholic Courier, 140 Chestnut Street, Rochester, N. Y.

What is the attitude of the civil law toward marriage declared invalid by the Church? If a marriage were declared invalid by the Church and the civil law declared it would a remarriage be possible?

The declaration of nullity of a marriage by the Church is not recognized by the civil law. Before a priest performs a marriage ceremony he must be sure that all the requirements of the civil law with regard to a former marriage have been fulfilled. The civil law considers a legal marriage as binding until it is terminated by divorce decree. To contract a marriage again before a legal marriage is annulled by divorce is bigamy, even though the Church has declared a former attempted marriage invalid.

What is the meaning of clandestinity?

Clandestinity is one of the diriment impediments to marriage. One first learns of it in studying the first part of the catechism that deals with the sixth precept of the Church. This precept forbids the faithful to marry privately without witnesses. Only those marriages are valid that are contracted before one's pastor or the Ordinary of the diocese, or a priest delegated by either, and two witnesses. A marriage contracted without these necessary witnesses is called clandestine and is accordingly invalid. This law admits of two exceptions. One applies to cases where danger of death makes it impossible to carry out the above form of celebration. The other applies to certain places where a priest's absence makes this form impossible.

What should guide the faithful in selecting a monument for their loved ones? How should the following symbols signify spiritual significance—the extinguished torch or broken column?

In this book dealing with the rites and records of the Church, Father Schulte gives the faithful in the matter of cemetery monuments. The most suitable ornament of a grave is the cross, which accordingly should be found on every monument in a Catholic cemetery. The epitaphs or symbols engraved on tombstones are to be in conformity with the spirit of the Church. Hence they should be subjected to the prudent direction of the parish priest, who has the right and duty to forbid all signs and expressions that signify irreligion and paganism. The beloved author looks upon the overturned extinguished torch as well as the broken column as suitable. Among suitable symbols he lists the Good Shepherd Christ rising from the tomb and the Olive Branch.

Can an indulgence be gained for a friend who is living?

No indulgence can be applied to a living person by another. Each person must gain them for himself or for the souls in purgatory.

What indulgences are gained by making the Holy Hour?

By this pious exercise any person may gain a plenary indulgence on the usual conditions of confession, Holy Communion and prayer for the Holy Father's intentions. A partial indulgence of 10 years if the devotion is performed with a contrite heart.

Is the charge that Catholics have no freedom of interpretation of the Bible?

Where there is question of faith and morals, Catholics have no freedom in interpreting. That is the office of the Church. Where there is no question of faith and morals Catholics have freedom.

Will you kindly state the attitude of the Church in regard to the Rubiyat of Omar Khayyam?

The Church takes no official notice of works that are of a literary nature. It has been published by C. Wildermann Co. New York with the imprimatur of His Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes and a preface by the Rev. Dr. Carey, professor of Sacred Scripture at the Seminary of Dunwoody, who has supervised the edition. The aim of the publishers is to give American Catholics an English text free from the literary defects and blemishes of earlier translations. The present edition is otherwise an accurate copy of the Rheims and Douay edition with annotations by the learned Dr. Challoner. The volume contains 67 pages and is printed in large clear type.

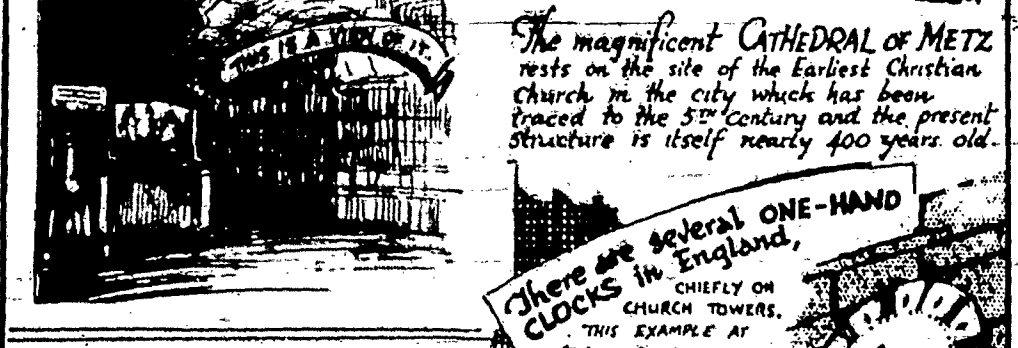
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STRANGE BUT TRUE Catholic Facts But Little Known

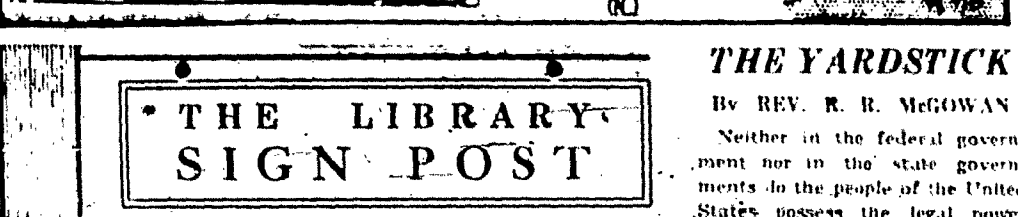
By M. J. MURRAY



WITH ITS NARROW KNEE HOLES FOR PENITENTS THE BASE OF A MEDIEVAL "weeping CROSS" STOOD AT RILEY NEAR HARGREAVE ENGLAND. Its age is estimated at more than 600 YEARS and it is an unique specimen of a type of PENITENCE NO LONGER PRACTISED.



There may still be visited in Rome the Roman White Saints Peter and Paul were martyred almost nineteen centuries ago! The magnificent Cathedral of Metz rests on the site of the earliest Christian church in the city which has been traced to the 3rd century and the present structure is itself nearly 400 years old.



There are several ONE-HAND CLOCKS in England. THIS EXAMPLE AT CHURCH TOWERS. THE CLOCK SHOWS THAT THE HOURS WERE DIVIDED INTO QUARTERS. APPARENTLY SIGNIFICANTLY ACCURATE IN MEDIEVAL TIMES.

THE LIBRARY SIGN POST

The Catholic Book Club announces that it has changed its quarters and is now located at 140 East 4th Street New York City. The club is now conducting a book store as well as taking subscription orders, and the general public is invited to participate in the new service. During the year the club expects to hold informal meetings at which literary celebrities will be introduced to visitors and friends of the club.

Sheed & Ward have offered two prizes, each consisting of \$25 worth of Sheed & Ward books for the best story in the manner of any Sheed & Ward book, and the best unpublished review in prose of any Sheed & Ward book written by C. Martindale (Christiansburg, Va.) and Edna Hoffman (New York, N. Y.) before July 1, 1936. There is also a competition for children. Full details may be obtained from the publishers.

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The author is a professor of canon law and has had also actual experience in chancery offices. This manual is intended as a ready reference for pastors, discussing the procedure in detail, and a general method of procedure and a variety of cases.

A new edition of the New Testament, incorporating the findings and conclusions of modern biblical scholarship in the Bible, is being published by C. Wildermann Co. New York with the imprimatur of His Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes and a preface by the Rev. Dr. Carey, professor of Sacred Scripture at the Seminary of Dunwoody, who has supervised the edition. The aim of the publishers is to give American Catholics an English text free from the literary defects and blemishes of earlier translations. The present edition is otherwise an accurate copy of the Rheims and Douay edition with annotations by the learned Dr. Challoner. The volume contains 67 pages and is printed in large clear type.

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Views of Others GREAT POSSIBILITIES We are so accustomed to see religious Sisters teaching in class rooms, nursing the sick and caring for every human misery that, unless one has studied the question, he may not know that it was not always so. Indeed up to the seventeenth century the activities of Sisters were confined to the cloister. It required Saint Francis de Sales to point out the need and Saint Vincent de Paul to organize the first community of Sisters to undertake this apostolate which has grown to such huge proportions in our day. In U. S. alone upwards of 124,000 Sisters are vowed to services outside the cloister. Do we realize that today a new trend is being blazed for Sisters in the Catholic Church by our own countrymen, a trail which portends to be as momentous for the development of foreign missions as was the apostolate outside the cloister in the seventeenth century? Catholic Sentinel, Portland, Ore.

Diocesan Recordings

WHETHER A LAYMAN is afflicted with a Holy Name Society or not, if he feels that he is a Catholic layman worthy of the name and in possibly being there he will be in Red Wing Stadium Rochester Sunday evening.

It will be an occasion for Catholic laymen of the diocese to show their strength in displaying their interest loyalty and reverence for the Holy Name of Jesus. The example will have far reaching effect. The gathering of Holy Name men from all parts of the diocese will indicate the possibilities of diocesan solidarity. Men who are not in the Holy Name Society will be imbued with the spirit of this great organization. Men who are in the Holy Name organization will be inspired to greater things for the society. One man remaining away may not be missed but one hundred would and the one who stays away may be among a hundred. True but true is the saying "Stand up and be counted." The record of organizations in the diocese will be withstanding to see how much interest Catholic laymen have in their Holy Name and in their Sacred Name.

NAZARETH COLLEGE commencement Friday of this week brings to mind the fact that throughout the country Catholic colleges are turning out young men and young women into a world that sorely needs the advantages that have been theirs in Catholic college halls. In whatever walk of life the first themselves these young men and women can bring good example sound philosophy, right principles and common sense. It will not be necessary for them to make themselves objectionable in bringing their Catholic training into play but they may do so. Dr. McGowan said in applying the principles of the great Labor Encyclopedia. He believes in making the principles known without necessarily revealing the source. Catholic college graduates are being watched especially by those who had not the advantages of such training. They have the double duty of providing for themselves and of being the type of men and women the church needs.

EVERY YEAR at this time our Catholic high school graduating classes bring forth publications to mark the close of their four years of school activities. Generally known as Senior Annals these publications are brought out after arduous work on the part of faculty and students. A quite review is not possible of all the fine books turned out because of the extensive literary and art efforts of those in charge. In this column we are going to mention and commend the three books now on our desk: The Arcs of Aquinas Institute, The Lamborn of Nazareth Academy and The Mercedes of Our Lady of Mercy High School.

THE ARCADE, edited and published by the 1936 class of Aquinas Institute, this year marks its silver jubilee. The writer was particularly interested for he recalls having had a place on the first staff of the book in 1912. Naturally the boys and girls have done an exceptional job with twenty-five years behind them. Aside from the twenty-five years this year's "Arcade" does stand out for literary effort, type arrangement, photography and art work and general content. An excellent photograph of Father Lester M. Morgan, blessed memory, who has passed on, is included under the picture of the Archbishop, Fathers Glad and Wurzer. Class members are given a chance to express their appreciation of the school dramatic organizations and other clubs. An article on Catholicism in the "Mercedes" is a very interesting one well written in a Catholic high school. The football team and other athletes are prominently brought on in an interesting and humorous round on the silver jubilee Arcs.

THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY of the coming of St. Peter to the United States is featured in the years release of THE LANTHORN senior publication of Nazareth Academy. Photographs of the Academy and the Mother House at Pittsford are included in the front part. Excellent type arrangement with photographs taken during the school year makes the book attractive and well worth preserving. Snapshots and drawings produced by the staff enliven the publication throughout. A feature miniature in verse, reveals the poetic talent in the class. Two pages with a fine photograph of His Holiness Pope Pius XI are given over to noting the 15th anniversary of the Supreme Pontiff's Reign.

TWICE EACH YEAR, "The Mercedes" of Our Lady of Mercy High is brought out. The Spring number is of high standard and again presents interviews, articles, fiction stories and verse of the calibre which has been bringing national recognition to "The Mercedes." The feature article, "Tale of the Catholic Courier" presents an accurate and interesting account of the beginning of this diocesan newspaper. Miniature newspapers "China Clipper" and "Solidarity Tribune" are original contributions in this very excellent issue of "The Mercedes."