

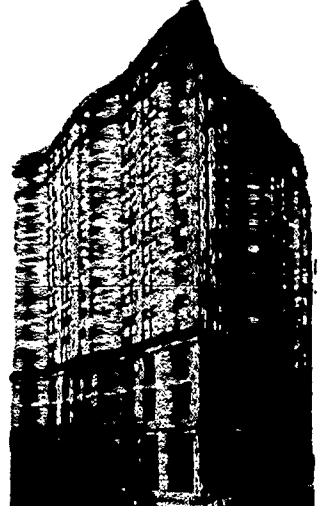
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It was gratifying to see the number of our women who accepted the invitation to attend the Diocesan Liturgy Institute last week. Our only regret is that there were not more of the lady taking advantage of this unusual opportunity.

YOUTH NEEDS INTERPRETERS
 Young people living in this period of changing systems—these uncertain, confusing, yet stimulating years—are more familiar with such terms as strikes, unions, capital, labor divorce, crime and war than were their parents at the same age.

Radio newspapers and movie news give the child various and isolated bits of information concerning these factors that are occupying the attention of the grown-up world. Too often the boy or girl sees the conflicting forces of capital and labor of crime and law, or the destructive forces within home without any real understanding of the principles (or lack of them) underlying these issues.

Parents can aid their children in forming opinions on these subjects by explaining necessary labor to capital and capital to labor how important it is for the two to cooperate in doing the work of the world.

Under present conditions children might easily be prejudiced against unions, hearing so much of strikes and conflicts. But whether father is a worker or an employer, children have a right to know both sides of the question.

However intricate the situation may seem, a simple history of the labor movement can be explained even to quite young children. Years ago men worked long hours for very low wages. The protest of one worker could not correct the injustices. But many workers banded together could demand consideration. Now unions are looked upon as proper and legal.

It is not easy to explain to little children who so-called Christian nations are fighting one another in horrible warfare. This generation is being forced into the role of realist very early in life. Materialism is all the more need to children with an insight into the beauties and wonders of our world as God made it.

We must admit to young people the weakness and failure of human beings not to discourage and disillusion them, but to warn them that living in this world requires faith and courage and self-sacrifice.

Youth is and always will be the idealist. He looks for the role of the good prince and a chance to slay the dragon. Help him to see that social injustices and political corruption are among the dragons that need slaying.

Too many young people of the last generation felt that life was meant to be a bed of roses, with erady-made happiness just waiting to be claimed. Too often that vision of happiness built on material well being over-looking the real spiritual basis of a happy life.

If the parents' attitude toward life is all it should be it will not be too difficult to make children feel that a thrifty, clean conscience and a happy home are more to be desired than the finest automobile and the means of satisfying every selfish whim.

Miss Katherine R. Williams, our National President, begins her September Monthly Message to Affiliated Organizations.

You are most cordially invited to be present at the Eighteenth Annual Convocation of the N. C. C. W. at Blot, Mass. October 22 to 26, 1938. Bring others with you. Your presence, and that of the delegates from the other affiliated organizations from all over the United States will make this "the best National Convention we ever had."

SLOGAN: WE WILL SEE YOU IN BILLOXI!

Outside Factors Curbing Religious Education

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paralyzing of the religious atmosphere, a dimming of the light of morals. No wonder then, that since the supernatural has been excluded, homes are broken up, divorces have increased, and children are victims to the selfishness of their pleasure-loving parents.

Unfortunately many mothers today do not look upon the religious and moral training of their children as their most sacred duty, or else they are misguided in their aim. They reserve entirely the facts of real or supernatural motives in urging their children to practice virtue. "Do this to please Mother," or similar external reasons are the only incentives suggested to the child. To insure obedience. Such motives, not being continuous, are of no permanent value in training the child to shun evil and do good.

HINDER RATHER THAN HELP
 The parents who hinder rather than help our schools, let their children either grow up untrained or, if they are trained, they are unprepared then so as to destroy all initiative. Such children, accustomed to their parents' sheltering care and always having their difficulties solved for them, are unable to cope with the hardships of life and easily succumb to temptation. And parents who exploit their innocent babies, snatching them in tap-dancing classes, even tolerating unseemly and over-stimulating trainings, tend to love the spotlight to the detriment of morals and all spiritual values.

The mother who is too much occupied with bridge parties and other social activities has no time for the training of her children. She will send her daughter to the picture, or let her go out with companions of whom she knows little, to a dance or other form of amusement, or she will allow her child to see the kind of amusement or its whereabouts does not cause her any concern.

Her son may turn on the radio to very program which is a sensational or over-stimulating mystery story, or worse still, some sugar-coated philosophy, dangerous both to faith and morals regardless whether it interferences with his hours of sleep.

FATHERS' GUIDANCE
 If we have succeeded in educating mothers to realize their unlimited possibilities of training their children in religious concepts and that the neglect of this training cannot be made up for by any amount of their children in Catholic schools, few fathers will remain to interfere with the work of religious education.

Outside the home, nevertheless, there will always be alluring factors enticing the child to wrongdoing, but their degree of influence will depend in a great measure upon the atmosphere of the home. The mother, in picture house, at times is the most pernicious and deadly influence.

Parents either deliberately close their eyes and ears to the possible poisonous influence of the moving picture, or they do not.

AL SCHACHT TO CROWN AT RED WING STADIUM

With only nine home games remaining at Red Wing Stadium before the end of the regular season, Ray Blades and his rampant Red Wings will take the field in a night game Friday, August 25.

The Wings will take to the road for two days, August 27 and 28.

Returning to the Stadium, Monday, August 29, the Wings meet the Boston Braves in a double-header in three days with single night engagements slated for August 29 and 31 and a twilight double-header, Tuesday, August 30.

Al Schacht, baseball's clown prince, will come to the Stadium to feature the twilight twin-bill of August 30 with his famous acts of pantomime. Al will present the same acts that have entertained World Series major league crowds for more than a decade.

The Wings take to the road after their night game of August 31, returning to the Stadium Sunday, September 11, for a double-header with the Boston Braves in the final game of the regular international League campaign.

Tickets for all these games are now on sale at the Red Wing box office at the Stadium and mail order service will be placed by the Rochester Baseball Club, Rochester, New York.

CATHEDRAL HIGH GRADS TO GATHER AT BAY VIEW

Graduates of old Cathedral High School, later the Rochester Catholic High School, which was located on Frank Street now Plymouth Ave. North, will gather at Whitehouse, Bay View on Thursday afternoon, September 15 for their annual get-together and sports events will be run off at 4 p. m. with dinner to follow at 6.30 p. m.

Officers of the Alumni body elected at the outing last year include President Alfred J. Doud, Secretary Thomas C. Newcomb and Treasurer Neil P. Collins.

This group forms the committee arranging for this year's reunion. An effort is being made to reach the man who attended the old Cathedral High School. Several are expected to come from other cities for the reunion.

Reservations for the outing and dinner are being made with Neil Collins at his store, 63 East Main Street.

Before all, after all, in every thing and at any price, you must unite. "Unite, unite, unite!"—Pop Fia XL.

Some golf players would make wonderful cake eaters. They give such generous slices.

Chalk Marks

Nearly 65 per cent of the students in the freshman year at Catholic colleges in 1938 received their preparatory training in Catholic high schools or academies. The remainder were educated in public or private high schools. Safety education in the schools really educates the children and saves their lives, analysis of traffic accident records shows. From 1928 to 1935 child deaths in traffic decreased 18 per cent, while deaths of adults increased 31 per cent. The greatest gains have been with grammar school children. The Bureau of Public Roads finds. These are the children influenced by teaching in the schools.

Parent education has now become a part of the school program in the State of Pennsylvania by legislative enactment. This is the third State in which parent education has become a part of the regular work of the State Department of Education. The other States are New York and California. The term "cooperative colleges" is given to certain higher educational institutions that offer instruction to students with the cooperation of industrial or commercial concerns. At the present time there are approximately 25 such colleges in the Nation. The total number enrolled in cooperative courses has been estimated at approximately 10,000 students. Approximately 30,000 students in American colleges and universities—or nearly 25 per cent of the entire enrollment—are handicapped in their studies by serious visual defects. It was disclosed in a recent report of the Eye Health Committee of the American Student Health Association.

Need we emphasize here the danger of liquor to youth wherever they go, not only in restaurants, inns and hotels, but often also in drug stores, grocery stores and even department stores, all emitting a real, or rather, a false, way to drink, laugh and be merry.

No thought of the morrow enters into their fan; the pleasure of the moment is their only concern. And they are not aware of the consequences, it is lulled to sleep by the thought: what so many are doing cannot be so wrong.

Dancing seems to league with liquor in stimulating the youth wherever they go, not only in restaurants, inns and hotels, but often also in drug stores, grocery stores and even department stores, all emitting a real, or rather, a false, way to drink, laugh and be merry.

Then, what can we say of the latest menace to our religious education the circulation of pernicious literature which is surfacing every corner fruit store, stationery store, circulating library and neighborhood bookstall throughout the country?

There seems to be a concerted effort now more than ever, to destroy religious education through the spread of pornographic literature. Besides the obscene literature that is flooding the country, and against which all denominations protest, there is an equally dangerous and insidious propaganda including every type of writing, the jargon of which can be understood by Catholics alone.

ATTACK ON CHRISTIANITY
 Today it is difficult to obtain a magazine, periodical or even a daily newspaper in which some writer has not thought it necessary, or at least becoming, to attack some fundamental principle of Christian living and to ridicule our religion, as well as expostions of modernistic and pagan points of view, thereby, seriously undermining the faith of weak Catholics, if not altogether destroying it.

Unfortunately, such Catholics entirely disregard their religion when planning their reading diet. Being slaves to public opinion and "fashion" they must read the best sellers for the sole purpose of being able to say that they read them.

Let us hope that the present campaign against obscene literature will prove as efficient in its results as did that of the Legion of Decency. There we shall have the assurance that there will be at least a diminution of the direful temptations now assailing our youth.

And yet, our boys and girls are just as good as they have always been, in fact in some ways they are even better. They still depend, as they have always depended, more upon their parents than upon their school teachers.

If parents lose their grip upon the great realities of life, they may not be surprised if their sons and daughters do likewise.

The old type of parental control may be out of date; but wise parents can still find means of exercising over their children a wholesome and effective influence. It is only those who refuse to face the difficulties of today who complain of the rising generation.

Academy Seniors List Garden Fete

The Nazareth Academy senior class of 1938 will stage a garden party on the school quadrangle on Wednesday, August 31 from 4 p. m. to 8.30 p. m.

Under the general direction of Ellen Hanley the committee are headed by Ruth Ann Dakin and Nancy Dixon, Entertainment; Jeanne Kelly and Joan Vogt, Invitations; Doris Hemmer and Veronica Dill, Decoration; Anne Miller and Mary Elmer, Refreshments; Orville Kincher and Mary Foley, Registration.

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