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Every State Has One 'ALONG THE WAY' By Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J. I've never looked it up and that's why I'm not sure but I'd be willing to bet that every state in the Union has a Springfield.

Library Signpost THE HIT PARADE raving about it" And so the grapevine spreads from the publisher's publicity office, and coils itself around the thousands of "hot pollos" for whom reading a book for hearing a book reviewed is like "doing" the World's Fair.

STRANGE BUT TRUE Little-Known Facts for Catholics By M. J. MURRAY Copyright, 1938, M. J. M. Co. New York

The CATHOLIC COURIER has my most enthusiastic approval. A pleasant surprise has been an essential part of the program of Catholic action in every state.

Incidentally in tribute to the railroad, for which I have a high respect, on my arrival in Chicago I was met by a porter who led me to my baggage all carefully assembled against my coming.

And Now Max Eastman by REV. JAMES M. OLLIS, C.S.P., Editor, The Catholic World

Those who are keeping count of American Leftists now awakening to the truth about Soviet Russia must chalk up another name: Max Eastman. The list is lengthening. Pretty soon there will be no more prominent and intelligent Bolshevik dupes in our land than there are original Leninists remaining in Moscow.

For Religious Training All praise to the foresight and the fairness of the members of our State Legislature who passed by so large a majority the Coudert-McLaughlin Bill, which imposes on the State Commissioner of Education the duty of setting up rules governing the absence of pupils from public schools for religious instruction.

Now Springfield has come to mean more still. It means Bishop Griffin who is one of the robust, genial, vigorous, many-bishoped; he has been playing hell at St. Ignace, my old Alma Mater, and a deep concern for their welfare. It means probably the most unusual Catholic college in the United States—Springfield Junior College, run by the Pauline Sisters of the Roman Union, the College has a layman for dean, and a staff of laymen and women who outnumber the nuns on the faculty.

WHY? Diocesan Recordings

Why Canner a Catholic Be a Communist? Communism is Socialism carried to its extreme and logical conclusions. The Russian type of communism, which is the kind usually understood by the term, is also violently atheistic.

Rochester has for many years had the permission of the Board of Education to take pupils for one class period a week from the public schools for religious instruction. This permission was first granted in 1917 at the request of Archbishop Hickey, and has been continued since.

Springfield also means a remarkably fine group of young artists who are keenly alert to the needs of the young people and to their bishop's interest in them. In that it makes me think of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

The usual noisy and demonstrative voice of the left is heard in opposition to the Bill. The changes are rung once more on the usual bogies, American liberties, separation of Church and State, the traditions of the Founding Fathers, and in dire danger should religious training be made easy for these pupils.

Anyhow, Springfield is the capital of my native state. And you jump into memorials in Lincoln everywhere you turn—on the highway in which you live is the Abraham Lincoln, the train that bears you away in the Abraham Lincoln, the rail-splitter sits in solemn state in the public square. He's probably a little surprised that the Democratic Party controls the capital itself.

Over against this unparliamentary, un-American, unintelligent, opposition from the left, mark down 46 out of 47 State Senators, and 115 out of 180 Assemblymen, voting their enthusiastic approval of this Bill. They had in mind the welfare of the pupil and of the State. They knew that religion was not up for proscription when the public school was introduced as a compromise to take the place of the original religious schools in this country.

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This Bill means that cooperation between the State and the people that will simplify the fulfillment of the duty of parents to give such religious training to their children as will make them know the eternal truths God has revealed.

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The confidence our people have in Governor Lehman assures them he will sign this important Bill, that means so much for the welfare of our State and its citizens.

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To Be Enrolled With Catholics the census is no new thing. The Pastor takes a census of his people, sends it to the Bishop, who in turn makes a report to Rome every five years. Names are listed by the Pastor, questions as to age, employment, First Communion, Confirmation, Easter Duty, are asked. Thus the Pastor knows his parish, the Bishop knows his diocese, the Pope has definite information on the condition of religion throughout the world.

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The United States of America is now in the midst of its 16th census. It would make a list of its citizens, secure information on employment and unemployment, on housing, on industry, on income, devotion to our country, respect for its laws, will prompt the good citizen to co-operate with those who are taking the census.

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Are The Buses Crowded? Before a definite decision is reached on the present fight against the local Bus Company, it might be well to consider if the buses really are crowded. Perhaps a poll would be a good decision. There must have been many a crowded bus in our city lines when the charge of overcrowding was first made public. Has there been any attempt on the part of the company to give adequate service since there has been any effort to supply the number of buses needed to carry the riding public? It is not merely a matter of that process overcrowding, it is and has been

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Clips A dictatorship is a nation where men are not free but did not see it Brandon (Man) Sun.

Wisdom may come with age, but so often death arrives first. -Thomson (G.A.) Times.

If he is generous to me, he is a great guy if he is generous to others, he is an easy mark and a sap. -Cincinnati Enquirer

Utopia is never permanent in a few years, it has to call in wicked revolutionaries to correct the deficit plan. -Lincoln Journal-Star.

Self-denial is the indispensable condition of progress in every department of human enterprise. It is the first step in the following of Christ. Bishop J. J. Lawler

When correcting a child, do it kindly and pleasantly. That makes it so unusual and astonishing, he never forgets it. -Richmond News-Leader.

Look not mournfully into the past, it comes not back again. Wisely improve the present—it is thine. Go forth to meet the shadowy future without fear and with a manly heart. -Longfellow.

Everything that comes to us passes away. Riches, honors, power and titles fade. What does not fade is the knowledge of the love of God and His Son.

There is no substitute for thorough-going, ardent, sincere earnestness. -Dickens.

It is not necessary to hope in order to act, nor to succeed in order to persevere. -George Duhamel.

Abraham Lincoln's heart was as big as the world, but there was no room in it for the memory of a wrong. -Emerson.

If I were to declare that A is in trouble, B would instantly reply: "I never forgets it. -Richmond News-Leader.

Take no thought how or what to speak for it is not you that speak, but the Spirit of your Father that speaketh in you. -Matthew, X, 19, 30.

Talking Over Their Views HOLLYWOOD MARRIAGE Hollywood has set the fashion of brazen insincerity in making marriage vows and breaking them much more easily than they permit the breaking of their high-salary contracts, according to the Ave Marie. And unfortunately for the morals of the country, people not of Hollywood, are too ready to follow Hollywood's example. The men and women of Hollywood marry or too many of them are lyric and frothy about romance and the heroism of love in pictures manufactured at so much the square foot. In the substance of real life, sacrifice and fidelity that are the pillars of marriage, Hollywood stars have almost diminished to vanishing Ministry groups, college presidents and their professors talk of America's manifest destiny to save democracy in Europe. Let us rather save democracy in America by saving marriage, family and home from the degrading influence of too many picture stars of varying magnitude, and the men and women who follow their vicious tendencies in surrendering their hold together the communal reality we call the nation. In aiming at the million, identified as European democracy, the intellectuals are missing the unit—the American family.

Study Relations JERUSALEM—A special committee has been set up by the Jewish Agency to study the problem of Jewish-Arab relations in Palestine. This is a new attempt to contribute to the work for the achievement of an understanding between the two hostile peoples living on the same soil of the Holy Land.

Five Years Ago— In the files of the CATHOLIC COURIER From April 4, 1935, Edition Word was received in Elmira that the resignation of George A. Moreno, defamer of the Church in Mexico, had been accepted by the Faculty Bureau under whose auspices he spoke. Moreno's address at the Elmira Park Church drew vigorous protests from priests and lay in that city.

Indecency in the theater and obscene postures in the Church's stations in Mexico, local issues were vigorously combated by the CATHOLIC COURIER with front page articles and editorials.

A parish census was taken by 100 members of Old St. Mary's Holy Name Society in response to a request of the pastor, the Rev. Dr. George F. Kettel.

That progress was being made in combating juvenile delinquency was told by those who attended a Conference on delinquency in Columbus Civic Centre arranged by Dr. Don C. Manning of the State Agricultural and Industrial School, Industry.

With R. Kimball was elected president of the Auburn Nocturnal Adoration Society at a meeting in Holy Family Auditorium.

NATURE IS TWO-FOLD 'Twofold is our nature, twofold is also the adoration which we offer to God. We adore Him spiritually by the inward devotion of the mind; and as in all worship the outward act is referred to the inward, so by the signs of humility, which are manifested in the body, the soul is stirred to subject itself to God. -St. Thomas Aquinas.

LIKE AN OARSMAN A rower propels his boat by a two-fold impulse, a movement forward and back. So do we advance towards God. We tend to flinch by stimulus, we are pushed forward and back, and fall back upon Him by abandonment and trust. And it is in the latter act that our progress chiefly lies. -Mother Mary Loyola.

A Militant Faith It is all in the day's work to expect the most informed attacks on the Catholic Church, the Catholic religion, and Catholics in general. You expect that sort of thing, and to a certain point it does little harm; it makes for stability, for growth, for understanding. A Catholic who has had to put up some sort of fight for his religion, is a much more understanding believer than is the Catholic who has been accustomed to take the Faith for granted.

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