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The Intellectual Element Not Outstanding!

Truer words were never spoken than those quoted above from a sermon of Rev. Dr. Norman Vincent Peale preached last Sunday at the Marble Collegiate Reformed Church in New York City.

STRANGE BUT TRUE "Modern Art: What? Why?"

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The above caption is not my own. I have never seen it before. It is a challenge to me. Anyone who can explain to me why it is so strange and true...

Summum Corda To recognize the modern art movement as a new and original expression of the human spirit...

Modern art is a new and original expression of the human spirit. It is a challenge to us to see the beauty in the strange and the truth in the untrue.

Report On Spiritual Side of the Parish

The first days of the New Year bring before the people of each parish a report on its finances. The Pastor as Treasurer of the parish tells his parishioners how much they have given for church support during the past year...

Spiritual Thoughts

Humility is the virtue of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the virtue of the great saints. It embraces all virtues and where it is sincere, it introduces them into the soul.

Snickers

"In your wife economical?" "Sometimes. She had only 24 candles on her 40th birthday cake last night."

Square Shooting

Everyone knows what square-shooting is. It is the way the man in the street describes fair-play. In the reports that the daily press brings to us of some of the activities of certain union leaders and of sundry employers, we detect at once a lack of fair-play...

The Beginning of Miracles

The Gospel of the 2nd Sunday after Epiphany narrates for us the first of Christ's miracles, the changing of water into wine at the marriage feast of Cana. It is in keeping with the mystery of the feast of the Epiphany, which commemorates the three-fold manifestation of epiphany of Our Lord. It was fitting that the beginning of the Public Life of Jesus should be marked by a miracle.

Invitation To Learning (II)

Under this heading last week we introduced the Catholic Digest's list of books which might be considered reading for the educated Catholic. The list is continued here.

Library Signpost

- 34 John Dryden: The Hind and the Panther. Modern Library.
35 Kenneth Digby: Maxims of Christian Charity. From the Broadstone of Honour. Kenney.
36 John Henry Newman: Apologia. Longmans.
37 John Lingard: History of England. Abridged ed. Murphy.
38 Robert Hugh Benson: The Lord of the World. Dutton.

Hard to Explain

What is so hard to explain is why the moderns are so hard to explain. It is not that they are so different from us, but that they are so different from themselves.

One on Mother

James was sitting on the porch and she had the door open before her. He needed the doorway. "Well, he's 24, he's a big guy, come on, let the door close!" What did your father say?

Feast Days

- Sunday, Jan. 13 - ST. CANISIAN, BISHOP OF MANTUA
Monday, Jan. 14 - ST. SEBASTIAN, MARTYR
Tuesday, Jan. 15 - ST. AGNEA, MARTYR
Wednesday, Jan. 16 - ST. VINCENT, MARTYR

For Parents Only

Last year they were seniors together in a fine Catholic high school. This year, one of them as a Catholic girl, college, very modern, progressive, and high type, the other is a freshman in a state university. They met for luncheon toward the end of the first quarter, and the girl in the state university looked with pity upon her Catholic colleague.

Along The Way

The letter from the girl in the Catholic college told me about the interview with a sense almost of personal escape. I mean in no sense to indict any school. But I cannot help saying how glad I am that the younger sister whom I personally interested in is in a Catholic college. And I wish parents felt as I do on the subject.