

Editorials
Father Kettell: Requiescat in Pace
Our Opportunity: Aid the Missions
Our Faith Needs No New Miracles
By Mgr. William M. Hart

In Peace With Christ
So rests today the soldier-priest, Father Kettell. With Christ, who has called him, he enters in peace on his eternal rest. In days of peace he served as a priest at the altar of the great High Priest. In days of war he served the Almighty Captain as a brave soldier, a Chaplain in camp and on the field of battle ministering to our soldiers. He saw many a boy go down to sudden death under enemy fire; he was ready when his own summons came with like suddenness to enter into peace with Christ.

Doctor Kettell brought to his priesthood a keen, cultured mind, a zealous will, a consecrated spirit. Excellence of attainment in his seminary classes marked him for the office of priest-professor, for post-graduate studies in Rome, for the Roman degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology. He was a member of the original faculty of Nazareth College twenty-five years ago. Fortunately, indeed, were the pupils who received their training from him.

His unexpected death brings sorrow to his Bishop and his fellow priests, to his spiritual children of the faith, and to many dear friends of other religious affiliations. To his sisters the Courier extends sincere sympathy in the passing of a brother whose priestly career has meant blessings to so many appreciative followers. Our prayer for Father Kettell—that he may rest with all the faithful departed in peace with Christ!

Mission Sunday
What joy for this day should bring to every pupil of Christ! A day for all the world, a day for every Catholic, a day for the millions of souls already saved by training and Baptism among the children of the Church, a day for the many millions still to be won into that membership.

Mission Sunday! One day in which to realize clearly and appreciate fully what Christ expects of us. One day in which to strive for a better fulfillment of the mission Christ has given to each of us. One day in which to renew our membership in the great Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

The Holy Father asks us to join his own society in its world-wide care for all missions. We are invited to be with him and labor with him and act with him, to make disciples of Christ out of men and women and children now sitting in the shadow of pagan darkness. We are asked to be more conscious of the mission cause, of the needs of our Priests and Bishops and Brothers and Sisters who labor in mission lands. We are asked to make a daily practice of praying for the missions. We are asked to supply the aims necessary for the mission work.

Surely our living membership in this great Society for the Propagation of the Faith will prompt us to help on Mission Sunday.

New Memberships
Mission Sunday should find many new members listed on the rolls of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. New members to take the place of those who have died; new members to add the increment of the rising generation to the one that grows old in the service; new members in each family to imitate the age-old example of devout parents and generous older brothers and sisters.

Ordinary memberships go to all who make an annual gift to the missions of one dollar; special memberships including ten names at six dollars; perpetual memberships obtained by our gift of forty dollars. For our own souls in life and in death, for the departed dear ones in whose memory we can establish memberships, for the millions of souls who will be brought to Christ through the missions we help in their work, we hail Mission Sunday of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith as a day for strengthening the Propagation of the Faith by renewal of old memberships, by a notable increase in new memberships.

Unless You See Signs
It was not an easy thing for faithful Jews to accept at once the claims of the new Teacher who had come to teach them a new faith, to present himself as the promised Messiah and Redeemer of the world. Christ cited to them the prophecies of old which were so clearly fulfilled in Him: Isaiah had made clear the circumstances of His life and death; the Holy Books showed that the Christ was to be born in Bethlehem, that His coming was to be verified at the time by the passing of the scepter from Judah, that He was to go about doing good, healing the sick, raising the dead.

Christ appealed also to His miraculous deeds as evidence that the power of God was in Him, that He was worthy of belief in all that He taught His hearers. His power called out for full faith even to those who were at first unwilling to believe His words. Long since in sackcloth and ashes would certain distant cities have done penance in faith and fullness of belief had they seen the wonders wrought in Jewish cities.

Signs and wonders were used by Christ to win the adoration of His hearers. Yet we find Him seemingly criticizing the Centurion who came to Him asking that his dying son be healed. "Unless you see signs and wonders, you do not believe." The officer showed his certain faith by making very urgent his petition: "Sir, come down before my child dies." Christ healed his son.

Christ does not want us to make our faith in Him dependent on new signs and wonders. Once He has shown us the signs that mark Him as God, faith in Him is a matter of the heart. Christ rose from the dead once; He raised the dead to life for the succeeding generation; for each new generation the resurrection of the crown prince of the world should stand for the resurrection of the faithful living record of His work as the Son of God.

Himself as the power and mission. "Unless you see signs and wonders, you do not believe." We have had sufficient signs and wonders to confirm our faith in Him and His Redeemer.

TOWARD INDUSTRIAL PEACE

By Richard M. McKeon, S. J.
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Pride is a blinding thing. It afflicts many men high in the ranks of management and labor. And, strange to say, these very men may criticize the dangers of dictatorship so evident in the Communist way of life and never dream that they are also guilty of the sins and weaknesses of dictatorship. We have seen it in the attitude of management toward the labor unions. It is commonplace among labor leaders in many strike situations. To save face seems more important than the principals at stake.

Perhaps your employer's prospects are excellent; but if his profit margin is being squeezed by price declines, your future will be more secure if you help him improve his competitive position. A wage increase may depend upon a plan for union cooperation to prevent waste, save expense, cut costs, improve production. Such a plan can be developed through a union-management committee.

CAN THE SAME be said of the dictatorship of any industry or big labor union? A growing number in high position in the industrial world

In Industry, Pride LIFT UP Beckons Dictatorship YOUR HEARTS

By Rev. James M. Gillis, C.S.P.

Dictatorship fostered by pride can never compete with men freely working together. For dictatorship means slavery and against that slavery there will be hidden resentment costly sabotage gross inefficiency and final collapse. WEALTH is a stewardship calling for an equitable distribution among all who help produce it. Economic dictatorship in the past has denied this principle of social justice and cruel deprivations have ravaged the nation for in its blind selfishness it refused to see that mass production depends upon mass purchasing power.

With these thoughts in mind we all may well ponder the recent words of Pius XII. "In the economic domain management and labor are linked in a community of action and interest. To disregard this mutual bond, to strive to break it can only betray a pretension to blind and preposterous despotism."

"Employers and workers are not implacable adversaries. They are cooperators in a common task. They eat, so to speak, at the same table, in the last analysis, from the same bowl of the national economy."

What the Church Surrenders The State Takes Over!

By Rev. James M. Gillis, C.S.P.

It is historical fact — this too is noted by Father Dunne — that when Church and State have in the past made an alluring agreement which we call a Concordat, it was seldom the Church but almost always the State that became voracious and tried to devour its partner. If Mr. Blanshard doesn't know that fact, he hasn't read history, or he has read it with a mental bias. If he were really wise, he would in present circumstances fear the tyranny of the State over the Church rather than the absorption of the State by the Church.

ALL BRANCHES of human activity over which the state claims authority are necessarily connected with morals and morals with religion. So the state, if you don't watch it closely and restrain it quickly, will extend its control to morals and religion. This is not philosophical theory but a deduction from the facts of history.

Fortunately, the Fathers of the American Republic were in general philosophers and historians. They put constitutional limits to the power of the states and of the Union.

But today, under the pretext of cradle-to-grave security, the rights of the individual man are being flensed from him, and if he doesn't stop the process, the time will soon come when he won't have a shred of his rights remaining.

TODAY WE are witnessing a growing elephantiasis of the state and the obliteration not only of the rights of the individual but of every form of organization except the political.

A really good American, instead of hammering away at the Catholic Church as she were an enemy of man or even of the state, would be glad that there is one organization big enough and strong enough to prevent the state

WOMAN'S VIEWPOINT

By Marie Weidman

The American working girl is becoming a victim of too much mascara and too much materialism. Beneath her well-lacquered hand contours beats a heart that is as gold-plated as the gold she is heaped on every side by "how to" advice which plots everything from the Marie Weidman angle of the American female eyebrow to how to be a stimulating listener-though-dead.

THE TROUBLE with this excessive self interest is that it can bring on a state of intellectual atrophy guaranteed to definitely interfere with one's ability to be popular, a good listener or even to hold a good conversation.

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A LOOK AT LABOR

By A. C. Tuohy

William Green has been president of the American Federation of Labor for a long time. He has been in office for more than a quarter of a century outside of Sam Gompers, he is the only president the A.F.L. has ever had.

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Gold-Plated Hearts And Perplexed Personalities

By Marie Weidman

This hearty technique undoubtedly brings in the contracts, clients and constituents, but it is not what draws us to others.

WE ARE WHAT we think. Our interior ruminations and reflections just keep showing thru and indicating the kind of folk we are. The confusion and vexations of modern disheveled emerge to harass, to furrow brows, to condition exactly how we will treat our fellowman.

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Green's Anti-CIO Venom Unjust, Illogical, Unwise

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THE TOP OF MY MIND

By Gretta Palmer

Most of the people in America today are committed to belief in one or several lies they believe that the temporal is all there is to life, which is to lie. Or they believe that truth is whatever the majority decide to be true, which is a lie. Or they believe that Revelation has no significance for them, which is a most gigantic lie. A great deal of the modern misery can be attributed to the simple fact that men are trying to fit the events of the outside world into an intellectual scheme which is nonsensical. It is an agonizing struggle. Some men and women retire from it into drunkenness or daydreaming or overwork. . . . Anything that will deepen consciousness and allow them to ignore the painful discrepancy between what-my-philosophy-tells-me-to-expect and what is.

THEY censor facts, admitting into their consciousness only those which will allow them to continue to believe their dearly purchased lie. And they do more than that they try, by very vigorous methods of persuasion, to induce other people to agree with them and lend support to the fallacy they have come to love.

THIS IS the mechanism behind the million false apostolates of our day. . . . the billion egos in contention with each other. This man's lie centers around a lying conception of himself as immensely powerful or heroically good. He will falsify every word he utters in an effort to induce the world to endorse this lie and help him believe in it more utterly.

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