

-By MONSIGNOR HART-

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As a climax to Catholic Press Month comes a special blessing from the Holy Father to all who labor in its production, and to all who subscribe to its publications. It comes in a letter of congratulation and encouragement through Bishop Gorman to the American Catholic Press.

The Holy Father speaks of the special need in these days of the Catholic training and instruction carried to all readers by the Catholic Press, and so necessary to enable them to meet intelligently the incessant attacks on religion from pagan and communistic sources. To all who labor in editing the Catholic Press and to all who support it and read it, the Pope grants His Apostolic Blessing.

bia University. What incalculable blessings will be ours if we unite our You can recognize the style efforts to those of the writers and editors of our Catholic the moment you encounter it. newspapers and magazines to make it prosper and increase | And one of those who sometimes its influence. Catholic Press Month of 1953 will mean more uses it is Dr. James B. Conant. who resigned as president of to us because of the closing Blessing of Our Holy Father. Harvard to become U. S. High

# **Read Your Courier**

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I **HAVE** every sympathy with With over sixty per cent of our people the reading of the official Catholic diocesan newspaper has become a fixed habit. Dr. Conant, and I don't want to That sixty per cent can easily be raised to close to 100 per devil him. He has already been cent. Bishop Kearney working with his priests and people sufficiently plagued by the reaction to his unfortunate speech strives earnestly to attain that percentage in all the parishes before a National Education Asof the diocese. sociation gathering.

Through your Pastor enter your name on the sub-But I do wish he'd take anscribers' list: then faithfully and earnestly read your Courier other look - a humorous, com-Journal on Friday of each week as it arrives at your home. mon-sense look-at what he said Take time out occasionally to see how your fund of Catholic DE, CONANT said that everyinformation and your command of Catholic culture continues body ought to go to public school. to grow, Strive to join the number of well-informed Catho- He argued that other schools parish and the so-called private

# Self-Instruction For All

No man should exile from his life self-instruction in that they cause "class distinc-Catholic Doctrine when he finishes school and with it the professional instruction which has been a regular part of his And so on. life. There is always more to learn, there-should be an eagerness to expand and develop the store of religious learning we of talk is that it's talking into a have acquired.

their Bible History, ask them about what they learn from doesn't face the facts of life. these books. Keep fresh your memory of what you have I clearly remember the facts 31 Tuesday - St. Andrew's Seminary, Retreat Mass - 9:00 a.m. learned in your school days: add to it what you can learn of school life in the public school through self-instruction.

### **Rev. Thomas Harrington**

A veteran of four score and two years in the Priesthood more, everybody in town knew was called to his heavenly reward during the past week, in everybody else. the person of the Reverend Thomas Harrington, Pastor THE SITUATION WAS ideal Most Americans Think Emericans of Livonia, A period of sickness culminating in from the point of view of Dr. Most Americans Think blindness saddened his closing years. He found consolation and support in the constant recitation of the Bosary and in mental prayer based on long years of theological study that had marked his prochial service was without benefit of any Assist-His perochial service was without benefit of any Assist-



### 1 Sunday -St. Joseph's, Knights of Columbus Annual Cont munion Mass - 7:39 a.m. St. Joseph's Hoopital, Elmirs, Capping of Nurses-4:00 p.m.

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4 Wednesday - St. Francis Xayler, Novema of Grace - 7:45 p.m. 5 Thursday - St. Francis Xavier, Novena of Grace - 7:45 p.m.

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ing, but I think 15 Sunday - St. Francis Xavier, Bronx - Solema Pontifical Mass, Silver Jublice of Parish - 11:00 a.m. Was Som body connecte

16 Monday - St. John Fisher College, Retreat Mass - 9:00 a.m. Our Lady of Good Counsel, Confirmation - 7:45 plm.

17 Tuenday - St. Patrick's, Solema Pontifical Mass, Patronal Fanst --- 10:00 s.m.

Nazaroth College, Fremin Mission Unit - 2:00 p.m. Powers Moiel, Knights of Equity St. Patrick's Day Banquet - 7:00 p.m.

19 Thurnday - Nanareth Motherhouse, Solema Pontifical Mass, Patronal Foast - 11:00 a.m.

St. Joseph's, Confirmation - 7:45 p.m.

21 Saturday - St. Bernard's Seminary, Ordinations - 6:30 a.m. iday - St. Patrick's, Nocturnal Adoration Societies Annual 22 8

Communics Mass - 7:45 s.m. Nativity Church, Brockport - Confirmation - 2:00 p.m. St. John's, Greece - Confirmation - 3:30 p.m.

Our Mother of Sorrows, Greece -- Confirmation -- 5:00 p.m.

23 Monday - St. Cecilia's, Confirmation - 7:45 p.m.

24 Tuesday - Corpus Christi, Confirmation - 7:45 p.m.

25 Weinesday - St. Bernard's Seminary, Ordinations - 6:30 a.m. schools-are divisive and "threat-Nameth College, Sodality Reception - 3:00 p.m. en our democratic unity." He said

St. Francis of Assisi, Family Resary for Peace - 7:00 p.m. 26 Thursday - St. Monica's, Confirmation - 7:45 p.m.

29 Paim Sunday - St. Michael's, Livonia Center - Blessing of

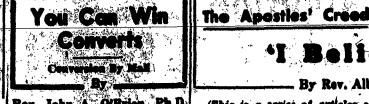
new Organ and Chimes - 10:50 a.m.

St. Louis, Pittsford — Confirmation — 2:00 p.m.

St. John the Evangelist, Confirmation - 3:15 p.m. 30 Monday - Powers Hotel, Cana Conference - 8:15 p.m.

St. Thomas, Irondequelt - Confirmation - 7:45 p.m.

s think that they personally couldn't go to hell.



Rev. John A. O'Brien, Ph.D (The University of Mates Bame)

One Sunday afternoon in Mer rill, Mississippi, Dudley Hobby was reading a magazine when he chanced upon a Knights of Co.

umbus ad. Turning to Ç. his wife; Edna, he said, "Listen to this: 'Learn' the truth about the Catholic religion. Free in-" struction is offered by the O'Erica C on fraternity.

Home Correspondence Course, would be his crony?" 4422 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis 8, Missouri?' "

have been asking God for." Accordingly she applied for the course.

IN A FEW days she received a

Father S. J. Ganel, C.M. She read the book with great care and sent never have lured man since the days of Eve. in her answers to questions based on the text. Father Ganel corrected her papers and wrote her unmask sin. That was why the Redeemer did not stop at Bethlelong letters, supplementing the hem. Bethlehem was too tame. Bethlehem alone could atone for essons in the book,

When she finished that book TO DO THAT, CHRIST LET SIN WORK ON HIM. It wasn't the St. Louis office sent her a Pilate or hating high priests or hypocritical Pharisees that reduced new one, "The Treasures of the Mass." "I found this," said Edna, the most beautiful of the Sons of men to a worm. It was sin! Sin the most wonderful part of all. broke open the Temple of God and stole from it the life of the building My heart burned within me as 1 thought of Christ coming down

In large bold letters the cross proclaimed to the world: "This is sin: death by crucifixion!" So many hate the cross, but upon the altar in the form of a so few hate sin that crucifies. Christ on Calvary was crucified little wafer to be food for our to leach man that sin is more than a cross of wills. It is also a souls in Holy Communion . . . cross of pain; and so a double-cross-a crucifizion. "Father Ganel told me I was

ready for Baptism. The only The cross should empty the soul of its love for sin. But a void thing wrong was that there was must needs be filled up. Nature abhors a vacuum. If a vacuum is no church here so I could receive created by man, the entire atmosphere will rush in to fill it. So my Lord, I asked Father Ganel too, Christ would empty the human heart of love for sin only to if it was possible for us to have fill it with the love of God.

a small chapel here in the counry. He sent me the address of Crucified proclaims the love of God. His red-lidded wounds, poor Bishop Gerow of Natchez to dumb mouths, were opened to tell us: "I loved you to death. I whom I then wrote. Soon Father Gregory J. Johnson, the first will have come down from the cross; but I didn't, because I loved priest to whom I ever spoke, you so much-you who should have been hanging there instead of me." called upon me."

"I'M SAYING Mass in the Legion Hut at Lucedale." said Father Johnson. "That's only seven miles away. We're trying to build a chapel there and we

(This is a series of articles on "The Apostles' Creed" written by Father Albert Shamon, professor at St. Andrew's Seminary and anthor of "Behind the Mass.")

By Rev. Albert J. Shamon

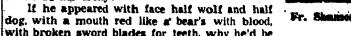
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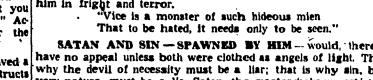
WAS CRUCIFIED-"The tree upon which was nailed the hands and feet of the dying Christ," said St. Augustine, "was also the pulpit of the Master teaching." Exactly what was the message of the Cross and the Crucified?

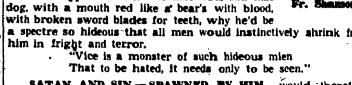
The message of the Cross was hate; that of the Crucifled, Love. Because God hated sin, Christ was nailed to the cross. Because Christ

loved the sinner. Christ did not come down from the cross. Calvary was the great expose of sin and of God's love for the sinner. Sin had to be exposed. "If Satan came," in

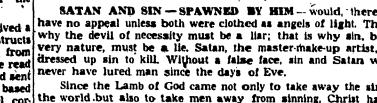
the words of Bishop Sheen, "with cloven hoofs and a tail, recking with the smell of sulphur, with smoke belching from his ears and unmistakable green fumes vomiting from his mouth, who







Mrs. Hobby then read the ad with broken sword blades for teeth, why he'd be Mrs. Hobby then read the ad a spectre so hideous that all men would instinctively shrink from carefully. Something seemed to him in fright and terror. have been asking God for." Ac



SATAN AND SIN - SPAWNED BY HIM -- would, therefore, have no appeal unless both were clothed as angels of light. That is

dressed up sin to kill. Without a false face, sin and Satara would Since the Lamb of God came not only to take away the sins of the world but also to take men away from sinning. Christ had to

copy of "Father Smith Instructs why the devil of necessity must be a liar; that is why sin, by its Jackson" and a letter from very nature, must be a lie. Satan, the master-make-up artist, has

sin. But Bethlehem alone could never has turned sin-bent man away

from sin.

IF THE CROSS PREACHES THE PAIN OF SIN; then the

"The trees and flowers all sneak of Gad's love And the sky reveals it from above, · But melther flower, clouds nor sur

Can teach what His love for me has done-as my Crucifix." In the middle of the last century, the people of the Caucasus hope you can attend Mass there." Mountains were ruled by a very just Sultan, Schlamyl. To eradicate

St. Paul, Mins. - (NC) -- Eighty-eight per cent of U.S. , "Father Johnson baptized me bribery and corruption from public office, Schlamyl decreed that on March 12, 1950," and Edna these or ad publicly by Afty\_atrokes of the the number Hobby adds, "I can't explain the who should be the first person convicted but the Sultan's own happiness that was mine. I was mother! The pupils in one class looked in the pupils in other classes indeed the providence of God! The pupils in other classes in the pupils in other classes is in the pupils in the pupils in other classes is in the pupils in t downhearted, I go to my church where would be his mercy? She was his mother. and are refreshed with the sacra. On the fourth day, he appeared before the people with his ments of Confession and of Holy mother. He gave orders to execute the sentence, But, just as the Communion first blow was to fail on his mother, he pushed her aside. In strong "One day Father Johnson prought Bishop Gerow and Mon. silence, he bore the fifty blows. ignor P. J. Carey of Pascagoula RISING WITH DIFFICULTY. HE THEN SPOKE to the shocked to see me. They were all so kind throng: "Go home, now, the law has been satisfied; the blood of and friendly. I was greatly your sovereign has flowed as satisfaction." The people never forgot touched that such high prelates took time to visit an obscure and the grievous memory of that hour. From that day, bribery ceased. On the cross and in the Crucified justice and mercy met and humble housewife in the backkissed. If sin is not hated, and if Christ is not loved, it is because woods." "IF THE K, of C. ads did noth- man is suffering from amnesia.

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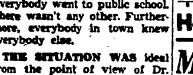
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the mail blanding of mon and version he had known and coin Building No. 1 had nothing azine, the poll points out: here all through the years of a long life. He was familiar to do with these in Lincoln No. 2. "AMERSCANS overwhelmingly they die. to all of them as the parish prior, effering up for them his And at the drop of a hat, you say they believe in the existence could get a fight going between of God (99% of them say they

her Harrington's years were many and fruitful. Few Prime last many successfing generations to deal with. No prime could minister with greater heal to the spiritual wants of his deck. School was across Why inconsistent? Though 99

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And almost half the nation believes that no such thing

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Lack Of Religion in Schools

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any chance of going to hell when THE DIGEST'S conclusion:

"America may or may not be a righteens nation . . . . . . . . there is no doubt on the basis

of this answer that America is self-righteens . . . If only 12% of Americana think they might ain an serimusly as in "deserve the neverity of divine judgment, them we are a self-

richicous people and, by that ing more," said the Bishop, "than ا المعم

trve as the means of bringing the knowledge of the teachings of the Church to you, they would more than have justified their expense. A single soul is infinitely precious. We cannot thank God enough-for giving you the marvelous gift of Falth."

Blankin - (NC) - Lick of religion in the public schools was blened here by a fermer Supreme Court Justice for the "Bishop Gerow gave Lucedaie "moral decadence and increased lawleseness" in the Philip-it to St. Lucy on Paim Sunday, "Bishop Gerow gave Lucedale

"Yes, I've helped lead my son, his wife, my two youngest daughters, my sister and her son into the Church, That's six, and I

hope to help others into the fold. I Agure that's the Best way to show my gratitude for the wondorful gift of the true Faith." "IFI.IN DED!" I " remarked.

Keep up that work and soon here will be a Catholic church a every town in Mississippi. In Taths to Christ"-a book of ferning i Genetics, substantes by Our Standar (Vision (\$1.50) - Edma May Montry with the Sull story of Mar conversion. It is benytiful in he arthus amplicity-and every passion will apply it.

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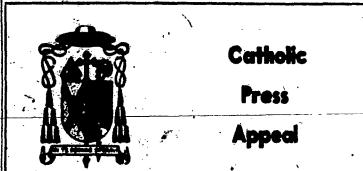
NOW MARTIE AND beautiful her could have nevine and se-quent for devia fills tools was for Christ Aurily be first year offering for the grace of Faith 

If men would think of the cross- the awful pain of sin - sin would cease. If men would remember the Crucified-the Lover Who laid down His life for the beloved-then, in place of sin, love of God would burgeon.

St. Vincent de Paul opes wrang a promise from a sinner who had refused to go to the sacraments. The promise was this: the sinner agreed to know down such night for a week and to kins his crucifix three times repeating each time the words: "I don't care; I don't onie; I don't care."

Within the work the "not" was dropped.

The saints often called the erucidix the book of life. Who reads this book well shall indeed find life therein.



My Dear People:

The month of February is Catholic Press Month. At this time we ank that the parishes renew their program for the support of our discount paper, THE CATHOLIC COURIER JOURNAL

I need not point out the value of our discessn paper both for keeping in touch with religious activities in the diocene and also for acquiring a better understand-ing of the life of the Church throughout the world.

Then, too, the entput of Catholic Aterature in out-standing weakly an monthly magazines is so extensive and so varied that every hims should find in some of them a secret of information and impiration.

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