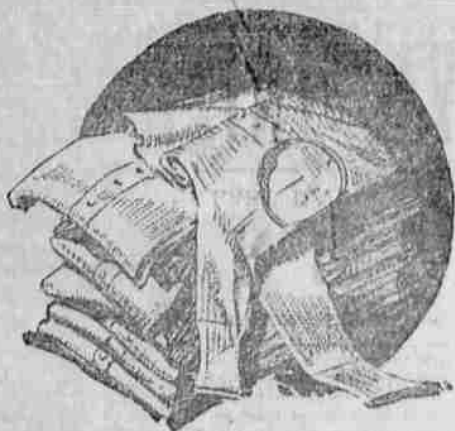


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NEW POPE IS VERY LOYAL

Personal Friend of Pius XI Tells of the Man Who Has Been Elevated to Highest Office of Roman Church.

(By Associated Press.)
TOWA CITY, Feb. 23.—His humble loyalty is the striking quality of the new Pope, Pius XI, as noted by a personal friend, Dr. H. J. Ullman, professor and head of the department of Latin and Greek at the University of Iowa.

"He was kindly and courteous and a very human being," Professor Ullman says.

"I first met Achille Ratti in 1904 when I visited the Ambrosian library at Milan to examine certain Latin manuscripts," Dr. Ullman said. "At that time he was a plain doctor of the Ambrosian and acted as assistant librarian. The Ambrosian library is one of the famous libraries of Italy and contains some very valuable manuscripts. These manuscripts were Ratti's constant companions and friends. He worked with them all day long, examining and studying the old treasures which he loved."

"The most striking quality which I found in Ratti in 1904 was his attitude of respect, admiration, loyalty, and deep humility towards his superior, the librarian of the Ambrosian, Antonio Curti, who even then was ill and who died soon after. It is certain that Curti had a profound influence on Achille Ratti's life. After Curti's death,

Ratti, who succeeded him as librarian, was very active in bringing out a memorial volume of scholarly papers in Curti's honor. His attitude toward Curti is no doubt an indication of one of the new pope's chief qualities, his humble loyalty.

"Ratti was very helpful to me in my work, not only in 1906, but also in 1907 and 1910, when I revisited the Ambrosian and spent some time there in intimate contact with the man."

"Classical scholars and paleographers respected Ratti for his excellent scholarship as displayed in numerous learned articles. These articles are generally concerned with manuscripts."

"It possesses several of his articles, autographed copies which he sent me at various times. We kept up a desultory correspondence from our first meeting in 1906."

"In one of his articles he tells about rummaging among some old manuscripts and coming upon certain fragments which suddenly attracted his attention and played my curiosity." There you have the characteristic attitude of the scholar making a discovery. It was a great surprise to me that he left the field of scholarship for the diplomatic and executive. We have one more illustration example to prove that scholarship is a splendid foundation for any career."

"I was greatly astonished to learn that the new pope was nearly 65 years old. Judging by the way he looked in 1919, my guess was that he was not much more than 25 at the present time. He has many years before him. The pictures recently published are excellent likenesses. The very recent ones clearly show the change in facial expression due to his change of occupation from the field of

quiet scholarship to that of more strenuous executive work.

"In spite of the few weeks I spent in his company, I feel that I know the pope intimately because we sat side by side all day long and exchanged views on matters of common interest. He was kindly and courteous to me and a very human being. In 1919 he discussed with Mrs. Ullman, who accompanied me, the best methods of sweeping up floors without dust."

LAST APPLES ARE SHIPPED

(Special to The Observer.)
COVE, Feb. 24.—L. V. Johnson and family are all suffering with an attack of gripe.

Lemuel, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Miller, was buried last Friday. Death was due to pneumonia.

A. E. Becker and family were La Grande visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Muir is not teaching at Frosty this week on account of so much sickness among the children.

A. B. Miller of La Grande visited relatives here last week.

K. J. Stackland finished packing apples this week, having shipped five cars this month, making a total of 14 cars shipped during the season.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carol Masgrave of Walla Walla, Wash., on January 20, a daughter, Mrs. Masgrave was formerly Miss Rati Sutherland of Cove.

Several members of the Baker family are ill with typhoid.

The Valentine social and waffle feed given by the grange was a decided success and was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Fannie Grange held an interesting meeting Saturday but the attendance was not very large.

A letter from Ben Gassett of Detroit, Mich., tells of a pleasant winter, and of between 6000 and 7000 people being clothed and fed by the city of Detroit. Ben was well known throughout the valley.

Mr. and Mrs. William Halfmark are on the sick list.

Cove still has plenty of snow, but spring is near, as rains are here.

"PAY AS WE GO"

(By Associated Press.)
BOSTON, Feb. 24.—America's position as a creditor nation probably will result in the loss of American capital wherever business is done. Elliot Washburn, assistant secretary of the treasury, said in an address before the Boston Chamber of Commerce Thursday. His expansion depended, however, on the maintaining of a "pay as we go" policy by the United States treasury.

COW TESTING IS DISCUSSED

Farm Bureau Meeting Hears Several Expert Speakers on Important Topic.

William Schumacher, of the State Farm Bureau, in the closing afternoon of the Farmer's Week, was the main speaker of today's program. He gave a very interesting and instructive talk on the results of the cow testing association, and general feeding and breeding problems. Considerable discussion on the above subjects marked the final afternoon of the week.

The attendance was far better in the afternoon than in the morning's session. Much enthusiasm was shown among those in attendance and it is evident that the farmers throughout the Grande Ronde valley are rapidly forming the habit of cooperating with the authorities in order to get better and more scientific results in their work.

Professor E. B. Pitts, of the Oregon Agricultural college, gave a very interesting discourse on the dairy business in general and on the cow testing association. The morning session broke up a little after the luncheon hour.

Poultry production and the various phases were the chief items of discussion in yesterday afternoon's program.

C. S. Brewster, of Kerr Gifford and Co., and formerly connected with the O. A. C., who was called to take the place of the speaker from the O. A. C. who was unable to come, was the first speaker of the afternoon. The discussion concerned the feeding problem from the time the chick is hatched until it is mature.

L. M. Jensen, president of the Eastern Oregon Poultry Producers association took the floor at the close of Mr. Brewster's address and pointed out in what ways the poultry situation in the Grande Ronde valley could be materially improved.

Today closes the men's session of the farm bureau week and the members and officials are united in the feeling that the week has been successful in every respect. Although the attendance has not been quite as large as was desired, the weather conditions are responsible to a great extent and the farmers do not feel that their brother farmers are losing interest in the slightest degree.

Miss Esther B. Cooley will begin a two-day demonstration on the art of millinery at Elgin this morning. She will give her demonstrations at the city hall here starting Monday morning and closing Wednesday evening. The public is invited to attend. Miss Cooley is connected with the Oregon Agricultural college.

INFLUENCE OF CONSULS GREAT

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Details of how the 457 American consuls now in the service of the state department are "gathering information, extending protection, enforcing American laws and exerting American influence" in more than 400 cities of 50 countries are set forth by Wilbur J. Carr, director of the consular service in the first issue of the American Consular Bulletin, a monthly published by the American Consular association, an unofficial, and voluntary organization embracing most of the members of the consular service of the United States.

"There is probably no class of officers of the government whose functions are less correctly understood by the public than consuls," says Director Carr. "To one man a consul is merely a visa officer; to another the word consul signifies a florid traveling salesman charged with the marketing of American goods in foreign lands. Many a mother knows the consul only as a good and kind friend in a far away land who found and sent her wayward son back to the old home in the United States."

"It would hardly occur to any of these individuals that their contact had been with an organization of trained officers, an organization employing 2,500 men and women, costing about \$4,500,000 annually and returning to the treasury of the United States in the year 1921 the sum of \$8,500,000, thus showing a net profit to the government for that year of more than \$4,000,000. Neither would it occur to them that the members of that organization were serving daily ten departments and numerous independent establishments of the government in Washington and, through them or directly, many thousands of individual citizens throughout the country."

In support of that statement, Director Carr recites how American consuls handled 45,078 cases involving the protection and welfare of nationals of the United States abroad in 1921.

"The many cases of protection and relief," he adds, "ranged from finding lost relatives and shielding well-meaning but indiscreet American travelers from the legal consequences of their rash acts, to rescuing indigent relatives from starvation and death."

That the consul was a great letter writer last year was shown by the figures on correspondence. In the twelve month period ending June 30, last, consuls abroad re-

ceived 766,824 letters and sent out 871,891. Between times they handled 546,233 consular invoices, visaed passports for 657,968 aliens and 150,117 Americans and checked the arrival and departure of 27,838 American vessels.

In connection with their passport work, Director Carr asserts consuls discovered many frauds, "gangs of crooks manufacturing and selling fraudulent passports were broken up in many places in Europe," and counterfeit passports, cleverly copied, rubber stamps for visas, counterfeit fee stamps and seals—all were found and destroyed and the practices stopped."

LUMBER TESTS BEING MADE

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—An announcement was made today at the testing laboratories of the department of civil engineering at Columbia university that it would be two months before experiments were completed to determine the strength of southern yellow pine and Douglas fir timbers available in commercial lumberyards in New York.

The tests are being made under the auspices of the superintendents of building in the city's five boroughs to establish equitable grading rules and working stresses for submission to the Board of Aldermen to be considered with recommended revisions of the sections of the building code governing timber construction.

ALL CARGOES TO BE INSURED

(By Associated Press.)
MOSCOW, Feb. 24.—In an effort to check thieving on railways the government has issued an edict requiring that all cargoes must be insured.

The government will write this insurance itself and part of the profits will be used to increase the wages of railway employees, who are badly underpaid and suffering great hardship under the changed economic regime.

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