

Aftermath of Inter-Church Federations Organized During Week and Conclusion of State Christian Endeavor Convention Occupy Minds of Churchgoers.

afforded by the just exercise of that
 authority. The Catholic church is the
 mother of my faith, the guardian of
 my hope, the eternally America is
 the country, the protectress of my liberty
 and of my temporal well-being.
 America is the land of my birth
 and of my choice, and I will per-
 mit no man to question my loyalty to
 her institutions. I speak the love of
 my country with the same fervor
 as do her devoted sons on the slopes
 of Montfaucon in the forest of Argonne,
 where the air was poisoned with noxious
 gases, and the earth was darkened
 through the night and filled the day
 with confusion; and since I have seen
 the light in the eyes and the spring in
 the step of our brave soldiers march
 onward to face machine-gun enfilade
 fire that was seeking human flesh for
 its fodder, I have no need that any
 man should question my loyalty or
 my spirit of Americanism. And I pray that
 the holy spirit whose power and wisdom
 have sustained the Catholic church
 through the centuries, will continue to
 guide the counsels and uphold the au-
 thority of our great republic and se-
 cure to our beloved country the bless-
 edness of peace and peace which God
 alone can bestow."