By Robert J. Bender

United News Staff Correspondent Washington, June 24.-A radical change in legislative procedure, which would permit cabinet members personally carrying to the floors of congress the government's views on pending measures, is favored by Presi-

dent Harding.
The possibility of debates in the house and senate, during which executive department heads would engage with representatives and senators over important departmental measures and that the cabinet Friday devoted much time to consideration of the idea. The change, it was stated, could easily be effected in this way:

First, pass a resolution making it lty.
possible for cabinet members to speak OUTBREAK IGNORED from the floor at their own request, or the request of congress, a privilege not now granted under congressional

QUESTIONING PROPOSED

Second, fix practicable rules governing such discussion which would pernot only exposition of the administration's attitude on government measures, but questioning of the officials by representatives and senators. Such procedure is the practice in the British parliament, where members of the cabinet personally lead debate on pending issues. There would be one marked difference, however, under the proposal favored by Harding and his

In the British parliament an adverse vote on a measure espoused by the government is regarded as a vote followed by resignation of the cabinet. This, of course, would not be followed Three measures are already pending in congress, designed to give executive

officials a voice on the floor. Two of these—one by Representative Montague, Virginia, and the other by Representative Kelley, Pennsylvania, are identical, and would permit members of the cabinet to have seats in each chamber two days out of each week. The third-by Senator McLean-

would give this privilege to the heads not only of departments, but of nucommissions, the shipping board, etc. The Kelley bill was considered by the cabinet Friday. It is the crinion of Harding and the cabinet regularly in either chamber, but to be given the privilege of speaking from the floor when desir-

IDEA IS NOT NEW The idea of cabinet members appearing personally before the house and senate is an old one, and at one ever, when congress refused to hear Hamilton, who desired personally to make his report on public credit there has been continued an abstentation by cabinet members from personal ap-

committee hearings. Secretary Hughes, in a recent speech at Ann Arbor, revived the old issue. Neither he nor other executives, including President Harding, favor cabi-net members voting in either house of congress-permission for which could granted only by constitutional

pearances, except when called before

amendment. "But," said Hughes, in his speech, quite consistent with our system that the head of a department should have the opportunity personali to be heard where important departmental measures and policies are under consideration.

"Every facility should be provided. consistent with our system, which will ald in avoiding misconstruction, allaying suspicion and preventing unjust aspersions. The remedy for misuderstanding is explicitation and debate SLAUGHTER FORGOTTEN and the opportunity for thus informing the public in a responsible manner should not be curtailed by any un-necessary artificiality of method." It was stated Friday that every

this idea, which now may find its way

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down because they were non-union working in a closed mine, or because they were guarding the

workers. Some were killed as they worked in an open coal pit, others were killed as they ran from their attackers. Others were beaten so that they were disfig-

ured for life. Herrin has no apologies to make. It again sleepy and somnolent. a lazy eye is ever raised and a false move will energize it again.

There was a semi-official report Fri day night that his mine union officials would not come to Herrin as they had planned because more trouble was more than a possibility. does break, it was reported, these officials have no desire to be in the vicin-

The most amazing apathy toward No one he outbreak exists here. speaks of it except with a half laugh. Curious men in no great numbers sauntered into the morgue Friday, fressed in blue overalls, and calmly looked over the dead. Going out they stood on the curb and whispered to each other. Almost without fail their whispers were accompanied by those

gruesome half smiles. It is openly admitted here that the mining element of Herrin feels no re-They are building their homes in Herrin and raising their no right to their jobs. Now, after terrible scenes of bloodshed, which do not seem terrible to Herrin, these intruders have been driven out. of lack of confidence and frequently is attitude explains why after 40 men guarded by nearly as many imported Mine Workers for a statement on the status of these men in the eyes of the national body.

MEN CALLED OUTLAWS

The men imported claimed they be onged to the steam shovelers' unions Lewis replied that this union was an outlaw and the men common strikereakers. The same reply came from President Frank Farrington of the Illiois miners.

These replies in hand, a young miner named O'Neill rode through that it would not be practicable to have Williamson " county, calling on the cabinet members actually take seats strikers to gather for a meeting in the woods east of town. They came by hundreds in response to his call. In the meantime District Attorney Duty and his aides appealed to Superintendent C. K. McDowell of the reopened mine, to stop work and avoid there," commented a member of the sheriff knew what would happen. They the unanimity of the advice from Herad seen the sleepy pussy use her terrible claws before.

When McDowell refused they took Small from Herrin was one which CTD two machine guns away from him to said: avoid immediate fighting. Then Hugh Willis, union member, and Senator Sneed, the most popular men county ,appealed to McDowell to stop work at the mine.

"McDowell put a gun in my stom ch and ordered me off the property," said Willis. meeting found hundreds Thus the of miners inflamed as it drew to a rent that Small intended to oust Sher-

close. A truck loaded with commissary iff Melvin Thaxton and possibly others supplies for the non-union workers for not keeping him informed of the passed; some one fired and then an- situation, but the governor "would other fired. The guards fired back, not say anything at Two strikers were killed.

le ary Hundreds of miners came into Herrin and tried to buy guns and am-When refused, they took them. The encompassing of the mine, the rout of the workers, the surrender. the "break for liberty" of the prisoners. and the rest is at the morgue and hos-

Quite a stirring day, but Herrin, ap-

has forgotten. Of course events like the following

were unfortunate: Most of the strikebreakers were Chiwest side laborers with no status. But there was a man named Robert Shoemaker in charge of the mining operations. He was a man of 40, married and the father of three children, in provoking hostilities. body late Friday and he said as he

lets: "This will probably kill his mother." A good many expressed regret about

that. Some outsiders have been heard t say that troops should be ordered here. Governor Small decided to do this early Friday. But authorities here are deluged with telegrams to do nothing of the kind. The terrible pussy will withdraw the velvet from her claws again. The trouble is over-let it go at that, say the local authorities.

Even Robert Medill, state director of mines and minerals, wired Governor Small from here to cancel his mobilizaion orders, stating that "it would do more harm than good." Colonel Sam B. Hunter told the United News: "The situation is well

hand and there is no need for roops. Sheriff Melvin Thaxton and District attorney Duty added that troops would only create more trouble. President Farrington of the Illinois

niners changed his plans late Friday

and decided not to come here. So the matter stands. It is a closed ncident. Newspapers here do not even print things about the outbreak. Corner William Maccowan swore in an nquest jury Friday and adjourned the hearing until Sunday. And sleepy Herrin sleeps on, with one

ATTORNEY GENERAL PLANS TO PROSECUTE THE MINERS

green eye open.

Chicago, June 24 - While indications day, began action to prosecute the tirely disappeared. of non-union men near Herrin. Brundage has sent Assistant Attor-

guarded by nearly as many imported ney General Rodeburg, and another guards. Senator W. J. Sneed, who is aide to Herrin to make a complete also district president of the mine investigation. If the facts warrant i the attorney general declared, murde President John Lewis of the United indictments will be returned against Mine Workers for a statement on the those responsible for the slaughter. "The attorney general's office

no authority to prevent riots," Brun-dage said. "But it has authority to ounish rioters. Such action is open to us as we took in the case of the iots at East St. Louis, when we made an investigation which resulted in the indictment and conviction of the ringleaders. Following receipt of telegrams from

local authorities in the mine district, urging him not to send troops to Herrin. Governor Small, who is in Waukegan, told the United News: "Latest reports to me are that the situation is quiet and that there is no fear of a further outbreak. It does not seem now that troops will have to be sent.

"There is something rotten down rouble. The district attorney and the governor's official family, as he noted rin to keep the troops away. Among the confidential telegrams to

> county with enough nerve to arrest in the any miner who took part in the riot. Coal operators here charge openly that the miners have not only ter rorized the Williamson county offi cials but have bluffed state officials who were at the scene several days prior to the riots. Reports were cur-

F. W. Wilkie, traveling superintend-"On to the mine" became their bat- ent of an agency which sent men to the mine said that every man sen by his agency was unarmed when the miners attacked. Their arms had been surrounded to the sheriff on Monday.

MILITARY COMMISSION BEGINS INVESTIGATION OF SLAUGHTER Herrin, Ill., June 24. - Sending of roops into the troubled Herrin district "unnecessary and inadvisable," the pearing somnolent again, but watching from the corner of its eye, apparently has forgotten.

local authorities today informed the military investigating committee ordered here by Governor Small. Assurances were given by Mayor

T. Pace and Hugh Willis, leader of the sidered one of the best educated men York Central Railroad, the Delaware, 10,000 miners in the district, that no in the world. He was the author of Lackawanna and Western Railroad, new outbreak of violence was contempured or likely. Sending of troops, lems, nearly all of them of a very adaption of the concerns, the Brooklyn Gas Willis and Pace said, would only comvanced character. plicate the situation and might result

holding three university degrees in civil and mining engineering. His will be no further trouble." Willis, who father, the mayor of Charleston, Ill., is board member of the district orand a man 75 years old, identified his ganization of the miners, declared to administration during the war, he took Major General Milton J. Foreman, head looked at the face, shattered with bul- of the military commission of eight. COMMISSION ARRIVES

> Willis told Major General Foreman that he "courted a full investigation." He insisted that the non-union miners started the hostilities that resulted in the death of 23 and injury to a score or more. He said the Southern Illinois oal company was responsible for the trouble, 'because it repudiated its agreement entered into with me by attempting to mine and load coal for ndustrial purposes, employing strike-

> The military investigating commis ion arrived here by way of Carbondale, being accompanied from that city by Major Robert W. Davis, coeditor of Carbondale Free Press. Besides Major General Allen, Major Fred E. Rand, Major John Richman and Major

Precautions were being made at the Herrin hospital, where 16 of the wounded non-union men are quartered, to get them out of town at an opportune time to avert the possibility of a renewal of the violence.

23 BODIES FOUND

The condition of several of the palients is critical and at least one, it With the finding of two more bodies last night, the known dead has mounted to the total of 23.

The arrival of Governor Small's military commission aiready has had a marked effect on the community. The number of men idling in the streets was appreciably smaller this morning were that Governor Len Small could and the crowd, which, for 24 hours. continue to refuse to send state troops had assembled at the morgue to view into "bloody Williamson" county, Attorney General Brundage, late Fri- dead non-union men, had almost en-

Union men in eight mines in the vi cinity of Herrin who quit last night n fear their work would be misunderstood and they would be attacked, re turned to work today when assured Willis they would not be harmed. he men had been doing maintenance work at the mines.

a fiery speech in the senate today ders. Senator, Myers, Montana. The atrocities at Herrin, when unic aborers attacked men who had been rought to work the mines, were more orrible, more shocking than any com nitted by Germany in the World war. Myers charged.

Myers charged.
"A free America loes not exist any more. Today an honest workman who does not belong to the labor unions is ot able to carn an honest living with out first getting consent of an organ ized minority which has decreed that no man in America shall work without

mall from Herrin was one which aid: "There isn't a man in Williamson STRONG MAN OF

(Continued From Page One) attacked Rathenau in a speech.

"You are the murderer," they cried. | KEEN TO THE LAST Some of the Socialists grabbed Hellferich by the collar as they accused ties were alert and normal. He was him of responsibility for the assassina- able to conduct business affairs up MONGOLIA... MONGOLIA. on. He left at once

A messenger arrived with a bouquet were tied with a black, white and red ibbon on which was inscribed: "To the savior of the Fatherland."

A melee ensued in which the messen ger was beaten. Turbulent scenes were again enacted

in the reichstag this afternoon as a esult of the assassination. Socialists attacked Nationalist members, trying to drive them from the chamber. It ook the president a quarter of an hour restore order. Chancellor Wirth revealed Dr. Rathnau knew his life was menaced.

"The foreign secretary was warned seks ago," said the chancellor. "I believe this outrage was due to the inscrupulous propaganda of reactionaries and also to France's policy of hatred and suppression which is driving the Germans to desperation. I expect that my turn will come, too." The cabinet was called into session and unanimously approved Chancellor Wirth's declaration that the utmost steps must be taken to protect the Re-

publican government against further

WAS REGARDED AS ONE OF

NATION'S STRONGEST MEN Rathenau was one of the most power ful men in the German government. Rathenau ranked with Hugo Stinnes as one of the strongest men in Ger He incurred the hatred of the monarchists by his activities in the government of Chancellor Wirth. It was he who conducted the negotiations with the Russians at Genoa which led to the German-Russian treaty reopening trade relations between these two nations. SEVERELY CRITICIZED

On his return to Berlin after the Genoa conference he was severely criticized by some elements for his negotiations with the soviet representa-

Rathenau was always considered Germany's leading expert struction matters and was foreign minister in the former Wirth ministry, When this cabinet was re-formed last winter Rathenau was made acting foreign minister.

Since the end of the war Rathenau has been known throughout the world as Germany's most competent authority on indemnity problems. Rathenau was head of the German

electrical trust. He and Hugo Stinnes were considered Germany's wealthfest men. Despite his great wealth he was a member of the Socialist party and it is possible his assassination was due to the monarchists.

OPPOSED REACTIONARIES

In all his dealings with the allied governments and with his own government Rathenau had stood for a sane and quick settlement of the reparations and indemnities problems with France. Throughout Germany's troubled times in the transition from a monarchy to a republic Rathenau opposed, and to his death continued to oppose, the re-turn of the reactionaries to power. More than any other man in Europe he held the confidence of the Wirth ministry, President Ebert and the German people as a whole. His death is considered a most serious blow to the same reconstructionist movement.

WAS ARDENT SCHOLAR Dr. Rathenau was the son of the founder of the Electrical Trust of Germany. In his early youth he developed a great liking for educational pursuits. He studied in many different countries and from the technical and scientific point of view was con-

In an interview with a representative of the United Press last year Dr. Rathenau insisted that he had always been opposed to the war. While h was active in the German economic the position that he could follow no other course after war actually had

ENORMOUSLY RICH

Being enormously rich and of the highest class of business baron, he occupled a very unique position following the war when he was called upon by Chancellor Wirth to participate as a leading member of the republican government. His sympathies, however, were entirely with the new government, and it was because of his high circles that he was able to exercise extraordinary influence in his new capacity. As minister of reconstruction he directed the first work toward putting Germany together following the collapse of the armies on the Western

Dr. Rathenau was particularly pop ular with Americans. He spoke English with perfect case and the familiarity of one who constantly used the language. He had traveled extensively in America and found much common ground for discussion with visiting American financiers and business men He was a tall man of commanding appearance and the skilled manner of a trained diplomat.

Many American observers considered Rathenau'by far th strongest man in present day German life and looked him, as the greatest influance working toward a sane solution of Germany's problems.

NATION-WIDE ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW REGIME SEEN

tion of Foreign Minister Walter Rathenau today was the signal for a country-wide attempt to overthrow the government tonight, leaders of the independents in the reichstag warned. The city was thrown into a turmoi

the communists demanding immediate arming of the workmen to resist a monarchist uprising. Majority socialists urged dissolution of the Officers' league and reorganization of the reichstag. The assassination evidently had been

carefully planned and was carefully carried out. In some quarters the Off Washington, June 24.-(U. P.)-La- was also pointed out that acquittal of cers' league was held responsible. It or unions were bitterly denounced for the suspected slayers of Mathias Erzheir part in the Herrin (Ill.) mine war, berger had encouraged political mur-

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tope was given up several hours be fore he breathed his last. Burial will be made in Sleepy Hollow been announced. Rockefeller had just completed a \$250,000 mausoleum in Sleepy Hollow cemetery, which is the finest in

Mr. Rockefeller was one of the mos powerful and most hoted capitalists in the United States. He was a director of a large number of corporations and his counsel is said to have car ried more weight than any other bus

iness man in New York City. Despite his advanced age, his facul-

to his last illness Mr. Rockefeller was interested in number of railways, gas companies roses for Hellferich. The flowers and banks. Among the companies of which he was a director are the New

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The statements made by Dr. Rathenau in this interview reveal his true

BEGAN AS BOOKEEPER

Mr. Rockefeller was born in Richford, Tiogo county, New York. He was the son of William Avery and Eliza Davidson Rockefeller. He was educated at Oswego and began his business life as a bookeeper. His fortune, like that of his brother, John D., was made in oil. He was married at Cleveland, Ohio, to Miss Almira Ger- Beach, died Friday evening after an aldine Goodsell in 1864. Mrs. Rockefeller died two years ago. time William Rockefeller was head of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, the "parent" of the Standard

WAR, SAID RATHENAU

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The greatest proof of this was in the Kapp coup when his royalist rule in Berlin was utterly destroyed by 'the silent protest of the people through the only effective general strike ever known in history. The people of Berlin simply stopped dead in their tracks and Knapp found himself the ruler of a dead city, without food, water, light or any of the necessities of life. So far history has failed to appreciate the tremendous significance of this great event, which I am sure worked the final end of organized royalst ac-

"The truth about the war was that t was a war brought on by cowards facts and the social conditions which surrounded them. Before they realized what they had done, they had gone so far that they could not draw from the inevitable results which they themselves feared more than anyone

tivity in Germany.

COWARDS CAUSED WAR

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make this statement public at this time, but there are obvious reasons why it would be unwise." For Cold Storage

attitude toward the situation in Ger-Vancouver, Wash, June 24.-The many and make perfectly clear the hatred held for him by the royalist Washington Growers Packing corporation has a force of girls hulling small strawberries at the packing plant and packing them in parafine lined barrels with one part part sugar to two parts berries. These will be placed in cold and well known in Portland, where she storage for shipment to eastern syrup lived before coming to the North and jam manufacturers. This is the first attempt to dispose of the smaller berries in bulk and is more or less of disposed of through the association church in Portland, Tuesday morning will not be known for several days but the amount of berries handled will fall below the crop of last year.

> CAPTAIN HARRIS HURT Vancouver, Wash., June 24.-Cap-

am C. A. Harris of the 59th infantry suffered a broken shoulder blade when a horse he was training for the polo meet July 4 threw him Wood, 28, and Mabel Diener, 21, Katreated at the post hospital, and went to his home. Private James C. Phillips, while herding mules, was thrown For experiments X-ray tubes have from his mount and his leg was been built that operate at 300,000 volts. | broken.

Catholic Citizenship Article TWO

MRS. CASPER CAPSER

Capser, resident of Seaview, Wash.

services will be held at Holy Rosary

FRIDAY HOODOO IGNORED

Vancouver, Wash., June 24.—The louble hoodoo of Friday and the 23rd

ailed to deter two couples who ob-

tained marriage licenses here. They

were Hansen Guellaksen, 41, and Lo-ella Haynes, 35, Portland; Ralph W.

liness of several months.

at 9:30 o'clock,

Ilwaco, Wash., June 24 .- Mrs. Casper

Can You Justify Those Who Attack the Citizenship of Catholics by A MASS OF HAZY QUOTATIONS

from scattered members of an organization which in the United States alone has nearly twenty millions of adherents, especially when such quotations are almost invariably garbled, misinterpreted, or at best are but the private views of an individual? When you wish to know what the American Constitution stands for, do you go to Mr. Radical, Rev. Crank or Mrs. Anti-American? No, not when there are reliable channels to consult. Should not the citizenship of Catholics be judged by the consistent conduct and uniform patriotism of the great majority, rather than the misdeeds of an occasional individual? Is it not really criminal to invent fictitious quotations and numerous fake oaths to blacken the citizenship of Catholic citizens? If not criminal, then how designate such con-

duct? Yet this is being done every day in Oregon.

A MOST DRASTIC INSTANCE of this kind is the FAKE OATH ascribed to the Knights of Columbus; thousands of copies have been circulated in Oregon. Did you read this fake oath, and did you think it genuine? If so, you were grossly decoived.

THE FAKE K. OF C. OATH has been exposed and condemned in Congress; that is how it got into the Congressional Record, not because it was true but because if was a fake.

It has been condemned in many courts in the United States and Canada; e. g., in Philadelphia, Pa., in the Quarter Sessions Court, in the case of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. Charles Megonegal and Clarence H. Stage, Jan. 30th, 1914; again, Waterville, Minn., in the case of State of Minnesota vs. A. M. Morrison and Garfield E. Morrison, July 29th, 1914; again, St. Johns, Newfoundland, in the District Court before Judge Knight against Charles A. Swift. In these and in various other courts, defendants were found guilty of circulating the false, fictitious, FAKE OATH. During the war, the campaign of vilification reached a low ebb. Lately in Oregon and elswhere it has been revived with added impetus.

In October, 1914, the business men of Indianapolis, Ind., appointed a committee of Non-Catholics, who investigated and condemned the imposture in the strongest terms. Surely some of our representative Portland Non-Catholics ought to be willing to make a similar investigation, if any of them think this oath genuine. In the same month the Masons of Los Angeles made a searching nguiry, and they reported the so-called Oath to be a malicious

forgery. Surely the Masons of Portland would be willing to show the same spirit of fairness, if any of them doubt that this oath is a

WHAT THE MASONS SAID: Hon, Paul J. McCormick, Court House, Los Angeles.

I take pleasure in handing you herewith the findings of the committee of Freemasons to whom you exhibited the ceremonials and pledges of the Order of Knights of Columbus. I am very glad that I have been able, in a measure, to secure this refutation of a slanderous lie which has been widely circulated and which has been disseminated in many cases by well meani

credulous and deluded persons. I shall see to it that this report has wide circulation among Masons and you may use it in any way you deem best to bring about an understanding of the truth among men who, above all controversies and contensions, desire to know and to follow that which is right and true. Yours cordially,

We hereby certify that by authority of the highest officer of the Knights of Columbus in the State of California, who acted under instructions from the Supreme Officer of the Order in the United States, we were furnished a complete copy of all the work, ceremonies and pledges used by the Order, and that we carefully read, discussed and examined the same. We found that while the Order is in a sense a secret association, it is not an oath bound organization and that its ceremonies are comprised in four degrees which are intended to teach and inculcate principles that lie at the foundation of every great religion and every free state. Our examination of these ceremonials and obligations was made primarily for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not a certain alleged oath of the Knights of Columbus, which has been printed and widely circulated, was in fact used by the Order and whether if it was not used, any oath, obligation or pledge was used which was or would be offensive to Protestants or Masons, or those who are engaged in circulating a document of peculiar viciousness and wickedness. We find that neither the alleged oath nor any oath or pledge bearing the remotest resemblance thereto in matter, manner, spirit or purpose is used or forms a part of the ceremonies of any degree of the Knights of Columbus. The alleged oath is scurrilous, wicked and libelous and must be the invention of an impious and venomus mind. We find that the Order of Knights of Columbus, as shown by its rituals, is dedicated to the Catholic religion, charity and

There is no propaganda proposed or taught against Protestants or Masons or persons not of Catholic faith. Indeed, Protestants and Masons are not referred to directly or indirectly in the ceremonials and pledges. The ceremonial of the Order teaches a high and noble patriotism, instills a love of country, inculcates a reverence for law and order, urges the conscientious and unselfish performance of civic duty and holds up the Constitution of our country as the richest and most precious possession of a Knight of the Order. We can find nothing in the entire ceremonials of the Order that to our minds could be objected to by any person.

MOTLEY HEWES FLINT. 33d Degree Past Grand Master of Masons of California. DANA REID WELLER, 32d Degree Past Grand Master, of Masons of California,

33d Degree Past Master and Master of Scottish Rite Lodge. SAMUEL E. BURKE, 32d Degree Past Master and Inspector of Masonic District,

WILLIAM RHODES HERVEY,

THE FAKE K. OF C. OATH is a most drastic instance of a thousand and one similar forgeries and misrepresentations. From this one-draw your own conclusion. Space does not permit replying to all. Below is THE REAL OBLIGATION

which the Knights of Columbus take. From the day the order was founded, there never has been a word in the ritual, ceremonial, promises or proceedings of the Order that conflicts with this: 'I swear to support the Constitution of the United States. pledge myself, as a Catholic citizen and Knight of Columbus, to enlighten myself fully upon my duties as a citizen and to conscientiously perform such duties entirely in the interest of my country and regardless of all personal consequences. I pledge myslf to do all in my power to preserve the integrity and purity of the ballot and to promote reverence and respect for law and order. I promise to practice my religion openly and consistently but without ostentation and to so conduct myself in public affairs and in the exercise of public virtue as to reflect nothing but credit upon our Holy Church and to the end that she may flourish and our country

prosper to the greater honor and glory of God."
Foregoing is the obligation which the Congressional Committee, the various courts and the Masons verified. Article Three will appear Saturday, July 1. Persons wishing to reply to or comment upon above, or procure further information on Catholic teachings and its relationship to Catholic citizenship are cordially invited to address E. E. Eberhard, Sec. Catholic Defense

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