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PAPAL NOTES

Patriotism in a free country is a deadly foe to Romanism.

A Connecticut paper says that a bill was introduced in the legislature exempting from taxation all property owned by the Knights of Columbus. That's Romanism.

Dr. Ostrum, the great evangelist, asserted privately that the Catholics have the death grip on Oregon, but he had not the nerve to tackle them openly.

The late lamented legislature made a large appropriation for the use of Catholic and other private institutions. Let us amend the State Constitution to cut out such abuses.

If any non-Catholic wants any very late evidence that the Old Church is still a tyrant let him know that there are Catholic Bills now pending in Congress which provide a prison sentence for criticizing the Catholic Church.

A Catholic paper of Seattle under the blessed smile of Bishop O'Dea, says (Jan. 29) "Marriage is neither contracted or dissolved by civil authority." The thing seems to belong exclusively to the bunch of Romish bachelors.

Your committee cannot recommend the practice of sending juvenile offenders for correction to any privately controlled institution to be exploited for private gain. The state should own all such, and be under exclusive State control! —County Board, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

President Wilson gave a two hour hearing on the Immigration Bill before he vetoed it. A writer who was present says Pat Tumulty managed the hearing after the manner of an attorney coaching his witnesses. The Bill had passed the house by a two-thirds vote, and the Senate with only seven negative votes. But in the attempt to pass it over the veto, the vote in the house stood 261 for the Bill and 126 against it, lacking four votes of the necessary two-thirds. This was a test of strength by the Hierarchy in Congress. The bill provided a literacy test for immigration; this the Hierarchy opposed.

By the action of the County board (Dec. 1914) an investigating committee went through a H. O. G. S. at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and found a penal institution run on principles purely Catholic, presided over by a Mother Superior; over 100 inmates graded according to religious standing with insignia and regalia attached to their clothing marking the different classes. The upper class takes music and does fancy work for the market. The second class does flag, banner and penant work for commercial purposes. The third class does laundry work conducted along commercial lines. The institution is conducted for private gain, the value of services conservatively estimated at from \$4. to \$8. per week per girl, besides receiving \$2. a week for her keep. All merits for advancement are based upon a religious standard, so that the non-Catholic inmates (about one-fourth) have no chance. "Your committee is of the opinion that the practice on the part of courts sending non-Catholic girls to this institution should be discouraged, and by statutory restriction be made impossible.

Benedict, Father of the Benedictines, who could knock the devil out of one monk with his fist, and out of another with a whip, found it hard to get Satan out of himself. Old Nick came in the form of a black-bird and revived in his heart the image of a woman he had seen in Rome. To get rid of it (or her) he rolled his naked body on nettles and thorns till through laceration of the flesh he lost all desire of physical pleasure. If our ex-priests and ex-nuns are to be credited, the modern priest does not take to flesh-torture cure.

A writer suggests that Saints Denis and Liguori, whose theology and instructions are so scaly that to translate them out of the Latin would send the translator to prison, must have had a practical acquaintance with the subject to which they have done so much justice in discription; speculation without practice would hardly have made them such adepts.

THE BIG FIGHT IN TEXAS ONE PARTY A MURDERER AND LIAR

The Catholics went to Black's room armed! Read both sides and judge for yourself. What will be the outcome? Patriots, our very civilization is at stake!

(The following is as the account appeared in the Catholic Sentinel of Feb. 25th.)

TRUTH ABOUT THE TEXAS TRAGEDY

C. F. HALL OF ST. PAUL, BLACK'S COMPANION, FIRED THE FIRST SHOT

HOW FIGHT STARTED

PRISONER GIVES STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS CULMINATING IN MURDER

A parade of 150 men and boys behind Clarence F. Hall, Miss Sadie Black, "Billy" Parker and William Lloyd Clark, staff correspondent of "The Menace," preceded the opening of the grand jury investigation at Marshall, Texas, into the killing of William Black and John Rogers and the wounding of a third man in a religious quarrel Feb. 3, says the Catholic Citizen.

The leaders of the impromptu parade represented the anti-Catholic faction. There was no other demonstration, and apparently all danger of a serious clash has been passed. Subsequently five arrests were made on indictments charging the murder of William Black. The arrested men were released on bond. The grand jury which handed down these indictments is still in session.

A message from Marshall, Texas, states that John Copeland, cashier of the State Bank, who was seriously wounded in the shooting affray in which William Black and John Rogers were killed, is now considered out of danger.

Black's funeral took place last week at Bellaire, Ohio.

Two years ago Black was working in the Riley mine at Bridgeport, side by side with Catholics. He never claimed or admitted that he was of their faith. The farthest he would go was that he knew all about Catholics.

How the Fight Started

George Ryan, an attorney, charged with the killing of William Black, made the following statement in his examination after his arrest:

"I went to the hotel with John Copeland, John Rogers and George

Tier for the purpose of interviewing Mr. Black and to protest against his lectures and to see if we could not persuade him to offer proof corroborating assertions which he had made in his last night's lecture. We are members of the Knights of Columbus and also of the Catholic Church."

Ryan described meeting Black, his adopted daughter, Sadie, and his companion, C. F. Hall, of St. Paul, the entire party seating themselves in Black's room on the latter's invitation.

Hall Fired First Shot

"Mr. Copeland," said Ryan, "told Mr. Black that if we had known the nature of the lectures he was delivering we would have offered protest sooner. We asked him not to lecture again tonight unless he could produce proof of the assertions he was making. To this Mr. Black answered he was going to lecture tonight, that this was a free country. In reply to this Mr. Rogers shook his finger at Black and told him he was not going to lecture tonight.

"At this, Black, who was seated, reached to his hip pocket for his pistol. Rogers, who was unarmed, caught at Black's right arm. Hall, who was standing on the other side of the room, fired and shot Rogers and Copeland shot Black. Hall then opened fire on Copeland. I drew my pistol, but could not shoot, as Tier was standing in front of me. After we left the room several shots were fired down the hall at us."

"If you didn't expect trouble of some sort, why did you have your gun — your pistol?" he was asked. "We had heard the statement that these fellows made the night before, that they were ready for resistance, and we took precautionary measures."

Miss Black testified that Black adopted her about a week ago. Last month, she said, she ran away from the Good Shepherd Convent at Hot Springs, Ark., returning to her home in Little Rock. There Black adopted her.

Concerning Miss Sadie Black, "aged about 17," whom the lecturer had adopted, it was stated in the dispatches that records at Little Rock, Ark., "are said to show she had been in charge of probation officers since July 6, 1914." A private letter addressed to a party in Bellaire and written before the tragedy, states that she had been sent by a judge to a house of detention for waywardness.

(The following is as the account appeared in the Christian Standard of February 27th.)

(Special Correspondence to the Christian Standard.)

EX-PRIEST KILLED AT MARSHALL, TEX.

On February 2d ex-Priest William Black, a member of the congregation at Bellaire, Ohio, traveling under the auspices of the "Free Speech League," of Minneapolis, Minn., accompanied by his adopted daughter Sadie, and C. F. Hall as traveling companion, arrived in Marshall and scattered circulars headed "Rottenness of Rome," advertising meetings to be held at the court house for three nights. The subjects to be discussed were "Effects of the Confessional-box," "Convent Life," and "Is the Oath of the K. of C. True?"

The first lecture was given as advertised on Tuesday night, and was of about the usual order of these exposures of Catholicism.

On Wednesday morning the K. of C. began holding secret meetings in different parts of the city, the Catholic priest, Father Granger, being present at these meetings. During the afternoon a number of Catholics were around the hotel. Late in the afternoon on Black and his daughter and Hall went for a walk, and when they returned about 5:50 o'clock four prominent K. of C.—S. John Rogers, George Ryan, John Copeland and Geo. Tier — met them in the hall opposite their room. The testimony of C. F. Hall and Sadie Black, brought out at the examining trial, in substance, is about as follows:

The Catholics asked Black if he was the man delivering anti-Catholic lectures? Black informed them that he was. They then asked if they could see him in his room. He replied that they could. All seven entered the room — the four Catholics, Black, his daughter and Hall.

After entering the room they again asked Black if he was the man delivering the lectures, and, being informed that he was, the speaker replied, "Had we known you were going to deliver that kind of lecture we would not have allowed you to do it, and you are not going to lecture tonight, and you are going to leave town now." Black replied, "I am not going to leave town now, and am going to lecture tonight."

At this, two of the Catholics, Rogers and Copeland, rushed at Black and caught hold of him, one of them holding his arms. Black attempted to draw his gun, but was held in a way that prevented him from doing so.

As the two Catholics scuffled with Black one of them shot him. Hall says he could not tell which man fired the shot, but Sadie Black says it was Copeland. At this stage of the affray Hall drew his gun and shot Rogers dead, and dangerously wounded Copeland. Ryan and Tier, who were also using their guns, and had shot Black the second time, ran out into the hall and downstairs. The wildest excitement prevailed, and hundreds were soon gathered at the hotel.

Three prominent Catholics, including the two who escaped from Black's room, and C. F. Hall, who defended Black, were placed under bond to await the action of the grand jury. Hall easily made bond, and could have made many times the amount required, as scores of the leading citizens came to his aid and proffered assistance.

The grand jury is in session at the time of this writing. The judge has asked that they make a thorough investigation, not to hurry through, but to take time to investigate everything connected with the affair, and to indict the proper parties.

Feeling is still at high pitch, and if fanned, the least bit would burst into a conflagration. The Knights of Luther have received about 250 new members since the tragedy. This is going to be a hotly contested trial. Marshall, Tex. J. F. Bradford.

:-STICKERS:-

Old "Mother Goose is a funny old duck,

And "Old Mother Hubbard" 's another; But the "dumdest" old auk, that ever did squawk,

Is the inferior "Superior Mother".

Old "Father Time" is a relentless old "cuss".

And the "Father of Lies" is the Devil;

But the "darndest" old skate of a reprobate,

Is the "Father", to marriage, a rebel.

The working people of America are being torn to pieces by the "Cats" and swallowed by the "Sharks".

Some people think that the A. P. A. movement died, but the lessons it taught can not die, and "truth crushed to earth will rise again".

What do you think of white-slavers who live off the earnings of poor unfortunate girl victims? Are there any in Oregon? You know it! And the state (the tax payer) has paid these white-slavers thousands of dollars for the support of their white-slave-pens. Are you going to do anything about it? If you don't it will soon do you!

The Knights of Columbus who killed Mr. Black in Texas were armed to kill. This is in accord with their alleged oath. The law is open. Why

did they resort to mob force? It looks to a Knight of Lincoln in Oregon that Mr. Black was telling the truth. But then history says that Columbus lied to his men when he first came over and his knights don't seem to have much use for the truth yet.

The un-American way of bankrupting a man because he does not believe in the Roman way of doing things and because he is not afraid to say so is not in accordance with the teachings of Jesus whom they profess to follow.

Columbus, the thinker, discovered America and died in chains in a prison. Now, after all these years, the organization known as the Knights of Columbus would imprison every thinker who opposes their nar-

row, old flat-earth theories of priest-craft and government for revenue.

Some so-called protestants play into the hands of the enemy by boycotting everybody who does not do just as they think they should and think just as they think they should think. This is the very rotten, Roman bad principle we are trying to fight. It is not liberty. It is not American.

The battle is on in these United States of America between two great uncompromising forces. Nobody can escape the responsibility of action. Which side are you helping? By inaction you help the side that wants everybody to listen to authority and say nothing. Act to day!

OUR HOLY LORD GOD THE POPE

III.

If the pope before his election, has been guilty of crime, and goes into office without giving the public some kind of notice that he has repented, and reformed, or if he commits crime after his consecration, what is the effect upon his official character and standing? Remember that the pope has a threefold character to maintain, as a man, as a civil ruler, having actual authority, or claiming it, and as a professed teacher of religion. If, as a man and a civil ruler, he has been, and is, personally vile and rotten, how can he be, in any sense, a suitable person to officiate as a religious teacher, not to speak of enthroning him as supreme teacher of Religion for all the people of the earth? There, Brother, Neighbor, Fellow Citizen of this American Nation, there is the question that is up to you to consider today.

If the "Head" of the church is personally unholy, how "holy" is the church itself likely to be? And that church whose "head" has served an apprenticeship to the devil, and is now doing journeyman work for him, is that church in any sense, a church of God at all? In fact, on Romanist principles, or on any kind of principles, is there any "church" in existence, during the time a wicked man holds the office of pope? Will some priest speak up, and tell us where his "church" is, when his pope is gone to the devil? It will do no good to howl—"bigotry"—"persecution", and perpetuate a lot of cussin, like the alleged pope Peter did, when he was asked a question he didn't like to answer.

It is said that "Charity covers a multitude of sins." But the statement as made in Scripture, suggests that the sins may be so big in size, and so many in number, that Mother Charity's mantle can't be stretched enough to get all the sins well under cover. Pope Leo 13 the paternal ancestor of cardinal Satolli, found it that way, as his underlings, cardinal Newman, Dr. Alzog, Dr. Pastor, and a herd of others, have found, to their discomfure. They have found, and have been compelled to acknowledge that many, very many, of the "infallible" popes have been bad, VERY BAD. Now very seriously, neighbor—Where had the Church of Rome got to, when its "head" was tucked under the head of Beelzebub, and things were sizzling, and they were getting ready for company in the hot country? It sounds very big when a scurvy old sinner is dubbed "infallible", but Satan isn't scared from his property by any such name as that.

Does any one ask: "Have any of the popes been such characters as are here described?" Let facts be submitted to a candid world. We have heretofore mentioned the facts that many times, two persons at a time, have claimed to be in the line of the "infallibles". And sometimes three persons, and one time, four persons, at the same time claimed to be THE pope, the only, and simon pure article. We named Benedict 9 who took office in A. D. 1033, and who sold the office for the honor of a woman. We named John 12, A. D. 955, who by means of circumstances in the personal conduct of his ancestors, both the parental and the maternal, had relationships that do not come to the lot of the ordinary man.

John was his own half brother, and his own uncle; and his esteemed mother was at the same time his honored grandmother. And he was worthy of his breeding, and suddenly departed this life in consequence of being found, with company, in another man's bedchamber. He filled the office for nine or ten years. Where was the church during that time?

John had other faults beside those indicated. Now beginning with A. D. 955, and counting the popes to Pius 6, 1774, out of the 125 men who occupied the office during that time, for each of whom Rome claims "infallibility", and each of whom was named "His Holiness", there were thirty men who, during their lifetime and by associates of their own so-called "faith"(save the mark),-thirty men who were known and recorded as MURDERERS. Remember, this takes no account of any wars any of these may have waged as civil rulers; nor of any complicity they may have sustained as to wars between other rulers or states.

O yes— Our Lords and Gods, the popes, have certainly been "Holy".

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Hurrah for our Side! The Silvertown Journal will not suspend. A good woman patriot of Iowa turned the tide of battle by sending us encouraging words and One Hundred Dollars in cash. Others helped with smaller amounts, and, although other plans had been discussed to save the work, this decided the editor to get ready, leave The Journal under the management of Mrs. Hosmer and go into the lecture field. Editorials, notes on the work in the field, and facts, dug up in the different localities, will be sent in every week. Patriots, boost! Our next trial will soon be upon us and we must do our best to be prepared. When practical make arrangements for a lecture. Write to us! Get a subscriber! Get others to help! Let us all work, for, as Colton says, "Liberty will not descend to a people; a people must raise themselves to liberty; it is a blessing that must be earned before it can be enjoyed."