

but in the temporal affairs of the world the effect of his precept and example has been far-reaching. Nominally without temporal power, he has yet had an influence on his time more potent than that of most monarchs and statesmen contemporary with him.

"It is inevitable that the world should regard the passing of this strong and serene spirit with sorrow and regret."

FROM JOLIET DAILY NEWS

"In no city of the land, in no community of the entire world, is the death of Pope Leo more sincerely mourned than in Joliet. To our city have come people from almost every land of Europe. We have here the Italians, the Austrians, the Slavs, the Polish people, the German, the French, the Swiss, the Irish, as well as the northern nations of Europe.

"His wise course in all critical matters pertaining to the Church has won for him the admiration of the entire world and given the Church over which he ruled a higher and broader standing with all the nations of the globe."

FROM "NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE"

The death of the Pope removed from the world one of the best and ablest pontiffs the Roman Catholic Church has had. He was one of its greatest statesmen, though by no means its greatest politician. He was a most successful diplomat, but won his victories in the field of diplomacy by his gentleness of speech and tact rather than by shrewdness and craft. He was a man of evident piety, whose Christian character would have made him an attractive figure of any Church in any age.

FROM "THE INDEPENDENT"

"In the person of Leo XIII. the Catholic Church loses her venerated and trusted chief, and the world, one more of its great men."