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Social Blessings Of The Christmas Spirit

Written for the Press Bulletin Service of the C.V. by Rev. Albert Muntach, S.J.

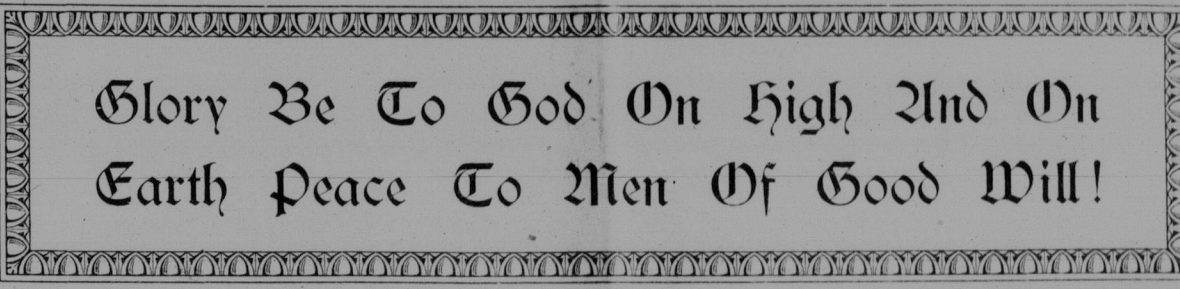
The face of the earth has not yet been renewed, the dawn of blessed peace has not yet broken over the whole world, the sons of men have not yet tasted the sweet fruits of the period of the universal brotherhood. Strife and angry quarrels, mutual distrust and envy still separate those who should be united in the bonds of gracious fellowship. But who will say that men do not long more earnestly today than ever before for the advent of that glorious era when hatred and social bitterness will be forgotten, and when out of the discontent and confusion of the times shall rise the city of peace and a league of nations dedicated to the welfare and elevation of mankind?

And why is it that men today after so many abortive attempts to inaugurate that day of universal peace and harmony, after so many sanguinary wars, still have hopes of the promised period when men shall beat their swords into plowshares, and that they will confidently await the coming of the time "When the war-drums throb no longer

And the battle flag is furled; In the Parliament of Nations; The federation of the world?" It is because nineteen centuries ago the "Star rose out of Juda" and because the Prince of Peace and the Expected of Nations came to dwell among the children of men. The great promise He held out to them of a new day of gladness and world-wide harmony has, indeed, not yet been realized. But it is not owing to the failure of the Prince of Peace to bring the gifts and blessings needed by men to rebuild their social order and to establish the era of Christian fellowship.

No, men themselves are to blame. They refused, and many still refuse, to walk the ways that lead to individual happiness and to social peace and progress. They preferred and still prefer, to listen to the voice of angry passion, to pride and lust and avarice. The shepherds who were blessed with the vision of the glory of the first Christmas teach us how we may gain the priceless graces and privileges of the Nativity of the Lord Christ. They were men "of good will". They had cast out of their hearts envy and hatred and self-seeking. They were not promoters of social unrest and enemies of the established order. They labored for social peace by performing well the tasks that had fallen to them in the world's work.

The reason then why the "peace of Christ" does not yet abide in society, is that the components of that society, individual men and women, are not "of good will". They do not want to make those concessions which we must all make to tone down individual short-comings and to eradicate selfishness and avarice and envy. The proud cry of Lucifer



"I will not serve" has rung down the ages. And wherever that cry prevails, there Peace must hide her face, and the spirit of brotherhood and glad service can find no home. It is not then that the message of the first Christmas, the message of "great joy to all the world," has lost its meaning for the men of our time. No, the Christian message still brings healing and uplift to millions of bleeding, broken hearts. It still enters with genial warmth and sunshine into the palaces of the rich and into the hovels of the poor. It still expands the soul of employer and wage earner. Alas, that its uplifting appeal does not reach the hearts of all men!

But we have already pointed to the reason why the joy of the Savior, the joy which he alone could bring, is not found in many sections of the community. The fault lies in society itself. The vices which the Savior had come to cast out of the social body still flourish; the virtues He came to teach are condemned. He came to cast out sin and evil desires from the hearts of men. But too many there are who make friends with sin. He came to teach humility and charity and obedience. But men hearken to the demon of pride, are hard-hearted and are too conceited to obey.

The great saint and social reformer of the thirteenth century, St. Francis of Assisi, had to contend against these very evils. So he brought the men of his time, rich and poor, young and old, saint and sinner, to the "crib of Bethlehem," and there preached to dukes and lords, to wealthy ladies and aristocrats, to fishermen and peasants, of the love of the Christchild for men, told them of the virtues He teaches us all, and of the path to happiness which He pointed out. And the "poverello," the "poor, little man," as he was called, won the day. The simple sermon was successful beyond expectation. Peace and harmony took up their abode in homes and cities where before had raged hatred and rebellion.

In these days of social upheaval and revolution, of strikes and labor unrest, of class hatred and of race riots, we too need the spirit of the gentle Christ. We need once more to learn the meaning and the blessings of poverty. We must learn above all not to place our happiness in the possession of earthly goods which soon vanish. We must learn that there are nobler quests than the heaping up of great fortunes in mines and money, in acres and houses and farms. We must learn the duty of Christian helpfulness towards those in want. Pope Leo

XIII. has briefly expressed this obligation in his Encyclical on "The Condition of the Working Classes." He says: "Whoever has received from the Divine bounty a large share of temporal blessings, whether they be material and corporal, or gifts of the mind, has received them for the purpose of using them for the perfecting of his own nature, and at the same time, that he may employ them, as the steward of God's Providence, for the benefit of others."

The value of the lessons of poverty and mutual helpfulness taught by the Infant Savior are accounted by all thinking men as of the highest consequence in all real social progress. Professor William James says of "poverty": "When one sees the way in which wealth getting enters as an ideal into the very bone and marrow of our generation, one wonders whether a revival of the belief that poverty is a worthy religious vocation may not be—the spiritual reform which our time stands most in need of."

The Catholic people have then a splendid opportunity to spread abroad "the Charity of Christ," and to work for social peace and progress by learning once again the practice of the "social virtues" from the Infant Saviour. Christmas still has the same sweet, uplifting message after these 1900 years. And only when the spirit of the Christ-Child, the spirit of love, once more reigns in the hearts of men shall there come the great gladness to all the world.



Our time is called the time of reconstruction; let it be also the time of reconstruction for our Catholic Societies! Indeed, could any time be more propitious than the time of the Nativity of the only true and efficient Constructor and Reconstructor of all times, to make an appeal to all local Catholic societies to reconstruct their inner life to a renewed and effective Catholic public life. Not that you, Catholic Societies, have been asleep, that you died out; you have fulfilled the duties which a war of over four years demanded of you; you have shown a generosity for which the Country owes you eternal gratitude. These sacrifices you have cheerfully made even at the expense of your inner organization. Let us now turn our attention again to our own organization, so that in time of need, we may be just as strong and healthy to ac-

complish the duties imposed upon us by right and justice, by the welfare of Church and Country, by our temporal and eternal well-being, by Jesus Christ. Let us reconstruct our social Catholic life. Our Church is the life-giver of the life which is Jesus Christ. Catholicity is consequently an injector of life and life only, not death; life which reconstructs and vivifies societies as well as persons.

"Look how the world is going on!" Not minding the lessons of a horrible war. Forces are working day and night to destroy order, right, justice, liberty! Look how, in the name of equality, chains of slavery are put on mankind. See how, in the name of humanity, personal liberty is trampled to death; how, in the name of justice, sacred rights are usurped; how, in the sacred name of patriotism, class-political, bigoted, unchristian, hateful, even godless aims are pursued!

Let us awake again to Catholic public life for the benefit of mankind! Let the Catholic Societies be the bulwark against the storms of unrest and godlessness! Let us show that Catholicity is the Mother of justice and right, real liberty and order! Let our club halls be a studio of the rights and duties of the person, the family, the society, the State and the Church! Let us discuss the problems of public utility, ferrum ferro acutur, and help where help is needed, standing firm against the waves of iniquity.

There is no reconstruction possible without Jesus Christ. Who is the source of all Construction and Reconstruction; without following his teachings, his devices, his example, his commands. Now is the time we celebrate the commemoration of His coming into this world of ours. May there be in the joys which the Christmas tidings will bring you, a renewed life for our Catholic Societies, especially for those whose welfare we have at heart by special obligation. May the Child Jesus bless our desire that beginning with Christmas day every official, secretary and members of all our local Societies be conscious again that we live, live by Christ, with Christ and for Christ forever.

And you, dear "St. Peters Bote", small but strong in the fight for right and justice, bring these Christmas tidings into every home of ours that with peace on earth we may rejoice again. And if you cannot go direct to every home, go from home to home from society to society, leaving everywhere our message: "Born again in Christ!"
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GENERAL NEWS.

PARIS, Dec. 12. — "Although the United States has not yet ratified the peace treaty, Austria is counting upon American influence to help bring us from our present miserable condition and save us from Bolshevism and anarchy," stated Premier Renner of Austria today.

LONDON, Dec. 14. — The capture of the city of Poltava by the Bolsheviks is reported in a wireless from Moscow, which adds: "The Reds are marching triumphantly southward in Ukraine, which soon will be entirely under Soviet control."

CAIRO, Dec. 14. — The local committee of the Egyptian Nationalist delegation issued a statement today saying that the "Egyptian nation" had decided to boycott the mission headed by Viscount Milner on the following grounds: That the Egyptian question is international and to enter into pourparlers with the British commission would be to classify the question as domestic; that the commission wishes to conduct pourparlers based on a protectorate, which the nation does not accept; that the plebiscite must be held under martial law.

FIUME, Dec. 14. — Gabriele D'Annunzio will hand over command of the city of Fiume to regular troops under Gen. Cavaglia, according to the agreement signed by Premier Nitti and D'Annunzio. France, Great Britain and Italy are said to have agreed to the annexation of Fiume.

PARIS, Dec. 15. — The German reply to the allies' note demanding signature of the peace treaty protocol was submitted at 10.29 today. It declares Germany's intention to execute the peace treaty and takes note of the allies' promise to repatriate German war prisoners. The reply, which is most conciliatory throughout, then develops Germany's desires regarding the Scapa Flow incident. While still holding out against full reparation demanded by the allies for Scapa Flow, the impression is given that a solution will be easily arrived at. Baron von Lersner announced that a group of German technicians will arrive tomorrow to take up conversations with the allied representatives regarding Scapa Flow.

VIENNA, Dec. 15. — The diet of Tyrol has addressed to the central government of the Austrian republic a request that the latter use its good offices in securing permission from the supreme council for the separation of Tyrol from Austria. Reports from the plebiscite in Carinthia (Kaernten) indicate there was a large majority in favor of that province

remaining an integral part of Austria, in towns already under Slav control.

LONDON, Dec. 15. — According to advices from Warsaw, M. Shilski, former mayor of Lodz, has succeeded in forming a Polish cabinet following the resignation of Ignace J. Paderewski. The new cabinet is a combination of National Democrats, Peasant Party representatives, and members of the coalition group.

LONDON, Dec. 15. — Another British war has just been concluded with the return of two columns operating to the northeast of Mosul and southeast of Amadia, Asiatic Turkey, after successful expeditions against the Kurds, in order, as officially stated, to punish them for the commission of outrages and murders. The troops, consisting of four battalions of Indian infantry, one mountain battery and three companies of Assyrians, met with enormous difficulties in a country almost impassable, but the health of the men remained good and their losses in engagements were slight.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. — The supreme court today decided that War-time prohibition is constitutional. Enforcement of the provisions will continue until peace is proclaimed. This decision means that the millions of gallons of intoxicating liquors now stored throughout the country and valued at about \$1,000,000,000 will be a near total loss unless peace is proclaimed before constitutional constitution becomes effective. Because of this decision, the government will lose \$440,000,000 in revenue from whisky alone unless the ban is lifted before Jan. 16.

LONDON, Dec. 16. — The Amir of Afghanistan has issued a manifesto of independence, which he declares Afghanistan will attain "by force of arms."

LONDON, Dec. 16. — The Bolsheviks captured Novo Nikolayevsk, on the Trans-Siberian railroad, on Dec. 14, according to a wireless soviet communique. The statement said over 5000 prisoners, many guns and several generals of the Kolchak army were taken by the soviet troops.

IRKUTSK, Dec. 16. — The Siberian army continues to retreat before the Bolsheviks, who have advanced from Omsk about 217 miles, but from time to time it is delivering short but successful blows against the enemy, according to an official communication issued by the general staff of the Siberian army. The natural conditions of the territory are unfit for the offering of a serious defence. Refugees arriving here from Omsk assert that after the capture of that town by the Bolsheviks, Chinese and Magyar troops immediately began pillaging and robbing the people and shooting down officers.

LONDON, Dec. 16. — Secretary for war Churchill announced in the House of Commons today that the Germans had handed over to the allies 5,000 guns, 25,000 machine guns, 2,000 trench mortars, and 1,700 airplanes. They had still failed to deliver 12 locomotives and 4,760 railway trucks.
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STIEGLER.

Three Prayers.

"Now you can see just how much we have to eat," said Arnold sullenly and morosely to his wife and sons, sturdy boys of seventeen and eighteen, as the family were gathering for the evening meal a few days before Christmas.

It was a gloomy household, for the three strong, able-bodied men were out of employment.

"None of you were dismissed from your positions," said the wife gently.

"No, not dismissed, but for a fortnight we have had no work and here are eight persons to feed, and we have hardly a piece of money in the house. The doctor, the apothecary, and the undertaker took the last of our savings at the time of grandmother's sickness and death."

"Do not scold, George," comforted the wife. "It is God's will. Be submissive. 'The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away,' and surely He will not forsake those that minister to their parents with their last pennig."

"But here are three of us out of work because the factory shut down. That could not be avoided, perhaps, but in another fortnight we will be starving, for the little we have will barely last two days, and in midwinter it is impossible to get work."

"It is not winter yet," said the wife cheerily. "It is so mild that we need very little fire. Be glad that it is not cold; that is at least something to us in our troubles."

"Yes, but there is no work and no profit," muttered George under his breath.

"Do not fret, father," said one of the boys, "the dear God does not desert those, who do not desert Him. I will go up and down the streets to-morrow begging for work."

"And I, too, father," cried a ten-year old girl. "And I." "And I," "And I," came in chorus from three smaller maidens.

"God bless you, my children, you are my comfort, my joy," said the father, "and the more there are of you, the dearer you are to me. Now pray that God will send your father work this day."

"Yes, father, we will," was the answer, and immediately they began loudly to pray:

"In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

"How many. Our Fathers shall we say, Papa?"

"Seven," replied the mother earnestly. "For the seven Dolours of Mary and five for the five wounds of Christ." The prayers of mother and children floated softly heavenward and the father and two sons knelt down with them.

This happened in a poor little street in one of the great capitals of Europe.

At this same time Hunter Braff sat eating his evening meal, his eyes wandering anxiously to the bed in the adjoining room on which lay his young daughter. Pale and emaciated, which the expression of angelic purity and serenity that marks those to whom death is no stranger, she awaited the beckoning call of God.

"Papa, are the gentlemen going hunting to-morrow?" came softly from the lips of the sufferer.

"Yes, child, and unfortunately to-night I must go to prepare for their sport, then I must be up early to-morrow to direct the gentlemen where to find the game, and the hunt will last for three or four days."

"Oh, father, your being a poacher is the hardest of all for me. There are no men that—" she shuddered and did not finish.

"Cloudy, misty weather like this is unfavorable for shooting for it is hard to see the game at a distance. However, it is so warm one can re-

main out-of-doors for a long time without suffering. Game is fat and plentiful and it will be wonderful if they do not get a great deal."

"O father, these men! I do not want you to go. I do not want to be alone."

"Hush, hush! be quiet, my child. During two or three days I'll have little rest, but I'll earn much gold."

"And the poor beasts out in the forest!" added the invalid. "I pity the poor does."

"And won't you think of me and pity me, Agnes?" sighed the father.

"O papa, yes, of course. But, do you know, when you come back from the chase, I'll be in heaven, or in purgatory at least."

"My child, do not say such things," cried the father.

"No, dear, dear papa, I know surely that when I die you will be with me. It never takes long, that I've been told lots of times, and I feel that it is so. Can you not stay with me to-morrow?"

"My darling child, when gentlemen wish to go hunting the good Lord himself would hardly be able to prevent them. I must go."

Poacher Braff arose from the table, went to the bed of his daughter, smoothed her pillow, raised it a little higher, gave her his hand and said:

"As soon as I can, I will return and do not be frightened when you hear me. Good night, my Agnes!"

He went out and the maiden raised her thin hands towards the picture of the Blessed Virgin that hung near the bed and prayed:

"Remember me, O sweetest Virgin."

This happened in the south of Germany in a poacher's hut not far from a great wood.

Two boys knelt in a poor little chamber besides their bed and said their prayers while the moon, scarcely peeping out from behind the cloud, shone dimly through the roof-window. They prayed that their father might not be obliged to go to work on the day after the morrow because there was to be a Christmas entertainment and they were to sing and wished to have their father present.

The mother sat sewing and patching, weeping and praying between times that her husband might be able to go to mass on Christmas night. If he could only go to church in the forenoon of the day before Christmas she would willingly give up the idea of his going on Holy Night.

Who was her husband?

A railroad conductor named Werner. Day or night he had little rest and was unable to go to church often. The loving wife prayed with her children that her husband might go with them to enjoy the Christmas festivities. The husband was assigned extra work and sadly and disappointedly he said: "My fate is sealed for Christmas. I get extra duty."

This scene took place in the home of the railroad conductor Werner in a city in southern Germany.

The dear God looked down on his suppliant children on this evening, well pleased.

With His all-seeing glance He gazed upon the clouds moving restlessly above the earth and by that glance of love suddenly they were imbued with new life. The millions of water drops in them began to freeze and fell upon the earth in tiny snowflakes until it was covered with a thick mantle of white. The drizzling rain that had been coming down for so long within a half hour changed to snow. People at first scarcely noticed the change for the countless flakes melted in the mud and water, and silently the earth became whiter and whiter until the snow was master. The world slept and dreamed to awake to the beautiful scene.

At eight o'clock one of the sons of the factory worker went out into the town and found at the nearest sign-post a notice put up by the police authorities, saying: "Men wanted to remove snow from the streets. Pay, thirty pfennig per hour."

Within a half hour father and sons were at police headquarters and received employment, which lasted from eight to ten days, and brought them daily from seven to nine mark.

"Dear husband," said the wife, "do you not see that God has sent work to you from out the sky?"

Next morning early when poacher Braff went to meet the hunters it was very evident that hunting was impossible for the snow was a meter deep in places and great branches had broken and fallen to earth under their burden of snow.

The disappointed gentlemen returned home for not even a poacher could think of venturing out.

The poacher's daughter said: "See, father, the dear God has taken the gun from the worthy as well as from the unworthy hunter. Now you can stay with me till I die."

Two days after this she died, and with a virginal wreath upon her white coffin was laid to rest under the snow.

Early that morning conductor Werner's train started out from the station but was compelled to return on account of the snow blockade, so the workmen were dismissed until afternoon. Mr. Werner went to church in the morning and as conditions were unaltered in the afternoon, he was able to attend the entertainment and heard his children sing as shepherd boys.

The great snow-fall was the answer to three prayers, and angels and saints joined in singing "Ice and snow praise the Lord in all eternity."

Fifteen Years Ago

From No. 45 of St. Peters Bote

Muenster reports that on the feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Solemn High Mass was celebrated in the log church. About 100 persons assisted at these services.—St. Peter's Monastery has made application to purchase an island in Lake Lenore which is about half a mile from the shore. It is covered with trees, but the best ones have already been removed by settlers for building purposes.—Father Dominic, O. S. B., of Annaheim paid his confreres at the Monastery a most welcome visit. After Christmas he intends to take a business trip to the States.—Kreizenbeck of St. Bernard's Mission (Schaeffer's) is confined to the house with quinsy. Father Chrysostom visited him recently, reading Holy Mass in the house and giving him Holy Communion. One of George Nenzel's children is suffering from sore eyes, and one of Albert Nenzel's has tonsillitis. Frederic Epper in T.36, R.22 is confined to his bed by an attack of rheumatism.

Last month 2654 homestead entries were made in Canada as against only 2419 of last year during the same month.

The expenses of the coming fiscal year for the Canadian Militia are estimated at about \$3,750,000.

This year \$770,000 worth of new buildings were erected in Regina.

France's acquisitions of iron ore supplies by the Peace Treaty are so enormous, according to the British Board of Trade Journal, that whereas in 1913 her production of ore was 21,000,000 tons against Germany's 27,000,000, now France will be able to produce 42,000,000 tons compared with Germany's 7,000,000.

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Catholic Lay Activities.

The Help Of The Laity Is Needed.

Written by the Rev. Albert Muntch, S. J., for the Press Bulletin Service of the Central Bureau of the C.V.

I.
New times, new duties! We are forcibly reminded of the truth of the saying when we look over the vast field of what is now commonly called "social work" and consider the important part that falls to the Catholic laity in carrying out the program of Christian social reform. And if this duty was large and responsible a generation ago, then today, in the era of the "social consciousness," and more recently, in the period of social reconstruction, it is even more urgent, since every phase of contemporary life is appraised almost exclusively from the standpoint of its contribution to social progress.

Verily, there is much truth in Father Frederick Faber's sayings, that "we must not make light of the differences of ages" and that "God's work must be done anew in every age." The three great Pontiffs of these days—Leo XIII, the lucid expounder of burning social problems, Pius X, who realized so fully the "democratic tendencies" of the time, and Benedict XV, who is blessing everywhere the work of our social apostles, and urging priest and people to apply the wisdom of Christ's Gospel to the solution of our task of social reconstruction—all of them recognized the necessity of gaining the support of our Catholic laymen in discharging their new duties in a new era, if the work of the Church Militant is to be continued with success among all the nations.

In the Catholic countries of Europe, where the need of Catholic lay action was more keenly felt because of the ever growing hostility of the enemies of the Church, which was shown especially in anti-Catholic legislation, the Bishops were not slow to issue the call for united action on the part of their flocks. In England the Catholic hierarchy found a splendid auxiliary in the Catholic Truth Society, and Catholic lay activity in that land is almost entirely in the hands of that organization. The work it has done by its "Penny Pamphlets on the Social Question," its "Catholic Social Yearbook," its "Social Guild Pamphlets," can never be too highly extolled. It is this admirably organized society that has aroused the "social sense" in thousands of English Catholics and it would be sad to speculate on what might have been the condition of Catholics in England had not the members of that body promoted, encouraged and strengthened every kind of social undertaking which could redound to the spiritual and material good of the nation. In that body were—as is proper and as should be the case in every country where Catholic social reform work is undertaken—both clerical and lay workers. Such union makes for real success, and to quote the ringing words from an article in the August-September number of "Bulletin of Catholic Federation": "When the bishops and the clergy and the laity are united in any measure affecting the interests of God and of Humanity there is no such word as 'fail!'"

In France there arose just when they were most needed great Catholic lay apostles. Among them was Count de Mun who declared publicly that "without Christianity there will never be any real social peace." Georges Goyau wrote splendid tracts on the social value of Catholicism, and the much tried Catholics of that country could look up to men like de la Tour du Pin, Lamy, Henri Lorin, Le Play, Duthoit, Maurice Eble and Max Turmann. Nor were these men given merely to theoretical speculations in social science, but they took part in the many "oeuvres sociales" initiated by French Catholics. There was also the well-known "Action populaire" of Rheims, which is to the Catholics of France what the Catholic Truth Society is to England—a source of inspiration and a centre of highly organized social activity.

In Germany, where labored the great "socially minded" Bishop Emmanuel von Ketteler, whom Pope Leo has called his great predecessor, the laity were very early aroused to the need of social activity. What the Catholics of that country achieved in the line of social reform is too well known to mention here.

And what about our own country? Here the field of activity and the opportunity for spiritual and moral leadership in the great social movements in which we are all so deeply concerned, is wider than in Europe. For America boasts of being the land of democracy, and wants to bring that blessing to other countries. Our public social welfare agencies, our magazines for civic and municipal reform, our schools of civics and philanthropy, are conducted by laymen. The numerous questions of civic and social and political significance, that are now being discussed in journals of sociology and economics, give our laymen an opportunity to present the Catholic viewpoint on these subjects. The lecture platform is ever occupied by the speaker (or the political quack) who comes to announce a theory of political reform or to outline a new doctrine of social progress.

Why then in the midst of all this activity—much of it well-directed, and much ill-directed—why should the Catholic layman stand aloof? The times cry for him. For now, if ever, the day of Catholic lay-activity has come. The problems that confront us in the political, social, educational, and even religious world are numerous and perplexing. If the layman were not needed the Bishops would not be looking for him. But they are looking for him. In most of our conventions—those, for instance, of the Catholic Education Association, the Federation of Catholic Societies, and the Central Society,—resolutions have been passed these many years in favor of what has come to be known as "Catholic lay activity." The phrase is large and covers a wide, vast range of activities that must no longer be neglected. Some of them will be outlined in the third part of this paper. But for the present suffice it to say that you are needed.

For, says Father John Norris in his fine brochure, "The Help of the Laity" (Catholic Truth Society), "Our modern life, with its great, unwieldy cities and towns, with its free expression of opinion and discussion, with its higher education spread over a wider area, with its all-embracing journalism, and its wider public life, has created difficulties which the clergy alone can not meet; is full of dangers which they are too few to contend with; has given rise to situations, serious and dangerous, which the clergy cannot fully deal with; and further, has taught

large numbers of men to be critical and suspicious of everything a cleric does or says. In other words, modern life has made work, abundant work, which the laity, and perhaps they alone, can do; and my contention is, that, while they can be of immense service to the Church, and do much for God, they will at the same time save themselves from the unrest and weariness of those who are swayed and ruled by the Time-spirit, and will be free from the contamination of materialistic views and mere materialistic aims and purposes."

Though these words do not specify what is required of the laity, they at least hint at the duties which the "lay apostolate" imposes upon the Catholic. Yet the same author defines in another place what "lay" work should imply. He says that it is "work not directly intended for one's own benefit, but work outside our own work in life, and intended in some way or other, sometimes directly, but often indirectly, to further the cause of God and His Church or the welfare of our neighbor." This is also the explanation given by Father Meschler in his pamphlet on the "Lay-apostolate."

But our work along these lines must be constructive. Of what use to bewail the fact that our Catholic press is not supported, that Catholic books are not read, that Catholic schools are not patronized, that active membership in Catholic societies is ignored, if we do not set about remedying the evil by good example? Of what avail to pass resolutions condemning "attacks upon our religious rights" and upon the "rights of our schools" if we do not bring home to those in power frankly, yet convincingly, just what are our rights in the premises, and clearly outline the steps we feel bound to take to secure them?

On the other hand, "constructive" work of this kind, which is sorely needed just now, much more needed and much more useful than fiery screeds against our "enemies" or vituperative language against a supposed adversary who is nowhere to be seen, can be done much better by a society, a body of Catholics, than by an individual. Hence organization, but well-directed, sane, prudent, intelligent organization and team-work will be needed to secure the desirable end in view. Organization, says Archbishop Faulhaber, is the "most potent force in the social life of to-day. Organization is, so to say, the eighth sacrament of the 19th and 20th centuries."

When our leading reviews refer to the Social Reconstruction as the "bishops' program." They seem to sense that it has behind it the authority of the "socially-minded" rulers of the Church in America. And the fact, that this important document voices the opinion of such a large number of our clear thinkers on great problems of labor and industry, makes its favorable acceptance by the country at large all the more appreciated by Catholics. In his review of that Reconstruction Program in "The Nation" (March 29, 1919) Mr. Raymond Swing said: "The bishops have taken a courageous step, possibly one that some day will be designated as the most serviceable that Catholicism has recently ventured in America. . . . That a quartet of Catholic clergymen should give the country stronger labor doctrine, more intelligently presented and more persuasive, than the reconstruction committee of the American Federation of Labor, is a clue to the times."

Here then we have an instance of the wonderful potency that lies beneath our great Catholic principles of social reform. But these principles must be "intelligently presented" and applied. And it will be the duty of the Catholic layman to bring them to full fruition for the benefit of a world sorely harassed by evils which seldom loomed up so savagely as in these our times. It will be the privilege of our Catholic laymen, working fraternally and in a spirit worthy of this high cause, in their Catholic organizations, to bring this boon to society.

There is no longer any doubt, therefore, that the day of Catholic social activity is fully upon us. The Bishops in the conference at Washington D. C., September 24th, appointed a committee of laymen for "Catholic lay activities." All that remains for us to do is to set forth briefly the excellence of this "apostolate," and to indicate the opportunities for the highest type of social service that it offers to the Catholic laity.

A noted Jesuit, Father Meschler, has clearly explained the reasons why every member of the Church should be eager to do what he can in this wide domain of Catholic lay activity.

Participation of a common human nature is the bond that unites all men into one great family. All other connections arise out of this relationship. Mankind is the first and greatest family to which, by nature, we all belong. "Therefore its woes and sorrows should be our first concern. Our Divine Saviour Himself has strongly impressed upon us the importance of sympathy for our suffering brother. For He made fraternal love the test of His true followers."

In fact, we can do nothing that is more in keeping with our human nature and more befitting the society of which we are members, than practice charity, and so help to lighten the burdens of a brother handicapped in the race of life. For by doing this we are contributing to the solidity of the very foundation of society. Social peace and happiness are largely based on mutual trust and forbearance and helpfulness. But all this means more than mere well-wishing. It implies a steady purpose to do our share in the alleviation of distress and the blotting out of social evils and grievances. "Go thou, and do likewise," is the Divine behest spoken to all of us, but especially to the Catholic, who must act on the belief that faith without good works avails nothing.

The world at large, moreover, has come to realize, through the lessons of the last five painful years, that no real national progress and prosperity are possible without the spirit of service in the hearts of men. The best of our modern literature is largely a homily on the text: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Coleridge has well expressed in "The Ancient Mariner" the great lesson that is being brought home to us today, more insistently than ever:

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Christmas Day

In the year from the creation of the world, when in the beginning God created heaven and earth; five thousand, one hundred and ninety-nine; from the flood, two thousand, nine hundred and fifty-seven; from the birth of Abraham, two thousand and fifteen; from Moses and the coming of the Israelites out of Egypt, one thousand, five hundred and ten; from the anointing of King David, one thousand and thirty-two; in the sixty-fifth week, according to the prophecy of Daniel; in the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad; in the year seven hundred and fifty-two from the founding of the city of Rome; in the forty-second year of the empire of Octavian Augustus, when the whole world was at peace; in the sixth age of the world, Jesus Christ, eternal God, and the Son of the Eternal Father, desirous to sanctify the world by His most merciful coming, having been conceived of the Holy Ghost, and nine months having elapsed since His conception, is born in Bethlehem of Juda, having become man of the Virgin Mary. The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

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A few words to the address of the many friends and benefactors who read the St. Peters Bote.

A few days ago whilst discussing the present situation of the orphanage with a friend of long standing, the latter asked me this question: "Why don't you appeal to the readers of the 'Bote'?" I simply replied that I did not dare to do so as these good people had been actually drained by the many appeals, drives, and collections during the past years.

However, before asking for further help I offer, first of all, to our many friends my sincerest thanks for their kindness during the past. I hope that God has rewarded with His choicest blessings every act of charity performed towards the inmates of the Orphanage. We pray every day for the welfare both spiritual and temporal of our many devoted friends.

Yes, let us trust that the new year will bring greater prosperity than the old one. For many of us 1919 has not fulfilled our expectations. At least as far as the Orphanage is concerned I must confess that trials and crosses have not been wanting. Indeed we all have to be tried in some way. Thanks be to God, we all escaped the much dreaded "Flu". It seems only right that we should have had trials of some other kind.

How will God help us? How will He dispense to us His blessings? You, my dear friends, are the dispensers of the gifts of God. God looks upon you as His co-operators, as His assistants, God will give to us, but His gifts pass through your hands.

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The human heart longs for happiness; but it is said that the surest way to find it is: to apply oneself entirely to the promoting of the happiness of others.

With kindest regards and best wishes to all.

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The Story Of A Christmas Hymn

It was Christmas of the year 1818. The vicar of Oberndorf, Joseph Mohr, came to the teacher of Arnsdorf, Franz Gruber, bringing a sheet of paper with him, saying: "Friend, could you set to music this little poem which I have written? You understand that sort of thing, and tonight we can have it sung at Christmas mass. It is simple and childlike, but it is well meant."

On Christmas morning the church shone in the brilliant light of many candles, and was crowded with worshippers. The priest stood at the altar, clouds of incense ascended and the soft tone of the organ resounded.

Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright, Round you virgin mother and child, Holy infant, tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace!

Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds wake, touched with fright, Glorious stream from heaven afar; Heavenly hosts sing hallelujah, Christ the Saviour is born.

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Indeed, Father Theodore Ratisbonne deeply loved children! His wide Roman cloak was a cosy shelter for many of them during his visits to the various schools of the Congregation he had founded.

Oh! those Jewish children, do we think of them as we should? Do we ponder over this fact that Israel still exists? Do we realise that Mary, the most pure Mother of Jesus, was a Jewess, that Joseph was a Jew, that the Apostles, the seventy-two disciples, the first converts to the Christian faith, also belonged to the race of Abraham, the head of the chosen people of God?

Do we go first? Probably not, because we forget many things, among others the tears shed by Jesus over Jerusalem! And are not those tears a longing appeal to all Christian hearts to help the Divine Shepherd to bring into the true fold those loved souls, who blindly wander away, awaiting another leader; or, forgetful of the Kingdom of Heaven, greedily seek for earthly possessions?

Once the light of the true Faith was given to Father Theodore Ratisbonne, the desire of his life was to share it with his blinded brethren. Sufferings, strenuous work, unceasing prayer especially, deserved for him the unspeakable bliss of seeing his own brother enlightened by Our Lady herself.

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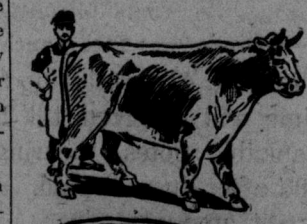
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General News

(Continued from page 1.)

He considered that the Germans had made a tremendous effort to comply with conditions imposed upon them.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—More than 68,000 girls have disappeared or run away from their homes in the U. S. during the last year, according to an estimate compiled by the Travellers' Aid society. In New York City, 3,600 girls have been reported missing. The society has cared for about 60,000 young men and women who have flocked to this city in the last 11 months.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—Baron von Lersner, head of the German peace delegation, said that hope was entertained in Entente circles that ratifications would be exchanged and peace would become effective before Christmas. The arrival of the German technical experts in Paris and the substance of the German reply are considered as justifying this hope.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The capture of Kiev and the occupation of Kupiansk, southeast of Khar'kov, are claimed in a Bolshevik wireless statement.

BERNE, Dec. 17.—Advices received by the Ukrainian mission here concerning the progress of the forces of General Petlura against the army of General Denikine in Southern Russia lead to the belief among the members of the mission that Denikine's situation is almost hopeless.

PARIS, Dec. 17.—After further consideration today of Austria's requirements for the relief of her distressing food conditions the supreme council decided that it would be necessary to furnish relief to the amount of \$70,000,000 at least, to go forward at the rate of \$8,500,000 monthly. Belief was expressed by the Austrian delegation that the total sum necessary, would reach \$100,000,000 which is the amount Dr. Renner yesterday asked the council to loan to Austria.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The force of Gen. Denikine continues to retreat before the Red offensive, according to a report issued by the war office today. During the past week the Bolshevik have compelled Denikine to withdraw another 50 miles along a vast front. The Bolshevik have virtually an unrestricted hand against Denikine since the fighting on other sections has slackened, and continue to rush heavy reinforcements south.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—Fierce fighting by the Montenegrin people against the Serbian occupation occurred around Cetinje between Dec. 1 and Dec. 12, it is declared in an official communique from the Montenegrin government the seat of which is a suburb of Paris. The statement asserts that the Serbians placed women and children in front of them to prevent the Montenegrins defending themselves. The government of Montenegro has reiterated its protest to the peace conference against the Serbian occupation, asking that Montenegro be evacuated.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 18.—Winter is bringing immense misery and hundreds of thousands of deaths from hunger and disease have occurred throughout the middle-east Caucasus. The flight of refugees of all nationalities through Asia Minor into South Russia has begun. Reports indicate the unprecedented hardships are increased by various little wars and also by little bands who prey on one another when there are no other victims. It is believed that cannibalism is frequent.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—German delegates are said to have furnished the allies proof that Germany cannot deliver all the harbor and dock material demanded in the peace treaty protocol. Allied experts are said to be disposed to consider a counter proposal which would reduce the amount to be turned over by 200,000 tons.

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