

THE RED STREAK should be visible in Missouri on or about December 9th. On the 8th the men on the Firing Line will answer Rome's latest attack on this little paper with an extra list of subscriptions...

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DECEMBER EIGHTH is Rome's "Letter Day," or the day Rome has set apart to crush The Menace. American patriots are going to make it "Red Letter Day" for The Menace by mailing an extra list of subscribers to this office on that date.

LIAR MISQUOTES THE MENACE

Trickery Resorted to by Catholic Tribune, of Dubuque, Iowa--Romish Rag Pals off Manufactured Paragraph as Quotation From This Paper--Sacerdotal Scribbler a Base Fraud and a Vulgar Cheat

The whole paper press is bad enough at its best; but the capital price for any belongs to the Catholic Tribune, of Dubuque, Iowa, which leaps the limit with a lie and villainous enough to balk the boldest blackmail.

On its fourth page the Tribune of Nov. 12 prints what purports to be an article quoted literally from THE MENACE. Instead of being wholly from THE MENACE, the article was partly garbled from this paper, and its spirit, intent, and meaning wholly changed by additions from the rotten mind of someone connected with the papist bureau of misinformation.

The first and last paragraphs of THE MENACE article were left out, and the first paragraph replaced with matter that did not appear in the original article and never appeared in this paper. The effect was such as to totally change the meaning, and place this paper in a false light with such as read the Catholic Tribune.

Real article from MENACE of Oct. 10: HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE REVIVED. "When the map of Europe is revised we hope to see the Holy Roman Empire revived with the Emperor of Austria at its head. We solicit Austria of all blame in bringing on this present war."

Such is the hope of Priest Phelan as expressed in his Western Watchman of Sept. 24. And it may be taken as the hope and wish of every priest, no matter what his nationality, since the supremacy of popery is to them the most desirable of all things.

With his impossible demands upon Serbia, the Emperor of Austria did more than any European ruler to cause the butchery and wholesale murder now devastating seven of the world's greatest nations. But it is very satisfactory to the Phelans, the papists, and the pope; for they "hope" to get out of it a Holy Roman Empire, with the senile Francis Josef at its head and wholly under the control of Rome.

It is perhaps too much to hope for, but what every consistent American would like to see come out of this conflict is the United States of Europe with every nation intact as a free state, and the rotten remnants of monarchism, militarism, and Jesuitism swept into oblivion where they belong.

Such a consummation would bring a revival of peace probably enduring for centuries, and divert the energies of seven splendid nations from the destructive arts of warfare to the constructive arts of living, and living more abundantly.

But Rome, as usual, is in the way of such a happy conclusion. The Jesuit is following every European army to be in at the finish and get every concession for Rome that can be wheedled or enforced when all is spent and bleeding.

It does not hurt our feelings in the least to be called a polecat by the mangy microbe who perpetrates the Catholic Tribune. A knock from such a source is to be treasured as a compliment. Such manifestations of peevishness are peculiar to the prevaricating promoters of popish priorities.

The intelligent reader can readily see what was calculated by the cowardly cur who framed up the dope for the Tribune. It was his intention to make it appear that THE MENACE is unfriendly to the German nation in its hour of stress and struggle. It is apparent to the reader that Priest Phelan, whom we accurately quoted, is the enemy of Germany; while it is the clearly stated hope of THE MENACE that all the nations of Europe may come through the ordeal intact and with the least possible distress.

It is a priest of Rome who hopes to see the revival of the Holy Roman Empire; and we confidently believe that to be the desire of the most of them.

Not content with misquoting, mis-stating, mangling, and interpolating a MENACE editorial, this squalid scribbler, who disgraces Dubuque with his putrid presence, goes on to say that THE MENACE is "financed by a Canadian Englishman who posed as a socialist while he was a millionaire, and is run by an ex-preacher of Orange extraction;" and is "naturally pro-English and anti-German."

In reply to this we can say truthfully that THE MENACE is not financed by a Canadian Englishman or any other kind of an Englishman; that no one connected with the ownership or management of THE MENACE was ever a millionaire or posed as a socialist. We have socialists, democrats, and republicans in the offices of THE MENACE, but none of them are poseurs. They are all as free to express their political preferences as their distaste for popery.

Moreover, this paper is not run by an ex-preacher as this papist parasite contemptuously asserts. Our senior editor is a clergyman in good standing, and frequently officiates in his capacity as a minister of the gospel. It seems that the habit of lying has such a grip on these papal dirt slingers that they can't talk or write without emitting a nauseous mess of vituperation, lies and slander.

We do not usually consume space with matters of this kind; but the groveling grouch of the Tribune afforded such an opportunity to put him in the pillory that the temptation couldn't be resisted. Moreover our friends may be interested in knowing how desperate Rome is when it becomes necessary to resort to such falsehoods and misrepresentation as are practiced by the drooling drover of Dubuque.

SURE-ENOUGH ROMANISM

The one, real, honest and consistent Roman Catholic publication in the United States is Priest Phelan's Western Watchman of St. Louis. While all other Romish redactors are dissembling in the effort to hide the true inwardness of Rome, Priest Phelan never abates one jot or tittle of simon-pure, ill-will Jesuitism and neo-ultramontaniam.

While diplomatic daddies like Ireland and Schrems are endeavoring to show that Romanism and Americanism are in perfect accord, and to do so, deliberately misstate the principles and purpose of their church, Father Phelan paints Rome as Rome is and in the colors that belong to it. Phelan possesses the one desirable quality of honesty which is more than can be said of any other papist editor so far discovered.

It is refreshing to turn from the soft sophistry of Schrems to Phelan's declaration that he has no apologies to make for the Inquisition or for the papal pretension to temporal power. If it is contemptible for a layman to hide his religion and eat meat on Friday, what word can express the depravity of an educated and exalted member of the hierarchy who preaches a double doctrine: one for his own flock, and another for the general public!

Raw as Romanism is in its purity, we have far more respect for Phelan's frank and unblushing statement of it than for the mongrel mouthings of the two-faced, who, like the late Mr. Glynn, of New York, made the most emphatic declarations of fidelity to the public school system, while every citizen, with an ounce of brains, knew that he was lying like a pirate and with a mental reservation that would make a marble statue blush at the duplicity of it.

That is the reason The Menace quotes so liberally from Father Phelan's paper. We know that when we quote Phelan we are getting the goods. The average Romish rag is unworthy of attention for the simple reason that they are all playing continually to the galleries in an effort to justify popery by a process of sugar coating. You find no such slush in The Western Watchman.

With these few prefatory remarks the reader is directed to the closing paragraph of an editorial in Phelan's Watchman of Nov. 19. Read it carefully for it is a revelation. Read it over until you get the full meaning and force of it, for it is the very essence of the law and gospel according to Rome and the papal interpretation. Here it is in all its beauty, glory and infallibility:

"If this war lasts three years, as some predict it will, then all Europe will be Catholic again. The voice of the Church and the voice of the Angels of Death are always in perfect accord, and a full and generous share is supplied by the falling of the bolts on the coffin lid. 'God is the God of the living and the dead.' God's church is alike at home in temples and among tombs. Hark! A voice is heard from Rome: Benedict is preparing an encyclical to the world. Never before was message so portentous delivered to so vast and so attentive an audience. 'Peace be still' will be the burden of his appeal, and may God put it into the hearts of the battling nations to hearken and obey."

"If this war lasts three years,

then all Europe will be Catholic again." Why? Because if the present rate of slaughter continues for that length of time the best blood of Europe will be in the soil instead of in the bodies of men. None will be left but the weaklings and camp followers. What a cheering prospect! And what a church it is that looks confidently to such a means of restoring itself to power.

What a contrast between such a declaration and that of the Prince of Peace who announced as His purpose of coming that all might live and live more abundantly! Can there be the faintest trace of Christianity in a church which not only views war with complacency but finds in protracted war the means of its own success?

Such a declaration makes the second declaration that "The voice of the Church (R. C.) and the voice of the Angels of Death are always in perfect accord." It might be said in the fewer words, "The voice of the Roman Catholic church is the voice of death." So it is. So it has ever been. So it will continue to be until men prefer life to death.

What will Benedict's encyclical have to do with it? For the present it will have about the same force as the protestations of Pius against the same war. It is inconceivable that Pius really desired peace, for the world at peace was leaving Rome; and we know, on the statement of Priest Phelan, as well as from other reasons, that three years of human slaughter means new life for popery though death to every-thing desirable.

The proposed encyclical has for its purpose not the restoration of peace but the further injection of popery into the political affairs of the world. That can go on with growing success while the nations are destroying each other and uprooting civilization. When Protestant Germany and Protestant England shall have reduced their domains to deserts the time and place will be well prepared for popery and death.

THE MATTOON BABOON

There is published at Mattoon, Ill., for what excuse I am unable to learn, a daily rag entitled the Mattoon Commercial Star. The Mattoon Baboon who takes the title of "Editor-in-Chief" is Edward F. Poorman. Just how poor-a-man he is financially does not appear, but his poverty in gray matter will assume its proper proportion in your mind's eye when you have digested the following idiotical from his issue of Nov. 13:

The protests of Roger C. Sullivan against religious prejudice may well be considered by all people of Illinois regardless of church or party affiliation whether we believe that such prejudice influences elections or not. There are certain publications in this country circulating in this and other states that should be barred from the mails by Uncle Sam, not so much because of what they stand for as they do not stand for anything, but chiefly because they stand against religious liberty, for which our forefathers came to this country and helped to make it what it is today. There is a rotten little sheet published somewhere in Missouri called THE MENACE and it is rightly named. It is a menace to religious liberty and all of our free institutions. It has no right to exist and should be suppressed like other venomous reptiles of its kind. The editor should be arrested, prosecuted and punished, and if this doesn't cure him he should be boxed up and shipped to Russia by citizens who appreciate a free country like the United States. Liberty is one thing and the abuse of liberty is another. It was a wise man who first said, "A man's liberty ceases at the threshold of another's rights," and we are presumed to have the right to worship God as we please in this country, although the editor of THE MENACE doesn't seem to realize it.

We judge that about the only poorman Rome could make use of at all would be one who holds an editor-in-chiefship on some rotten rag that is always ready to kiss the pope's toe when it is necessary to stage such a performance for the purpose of advertising the "holy" fraud and whipping the milk and cider Protestants into submission.

The imagination of this Mattoon affliction must be as elastic as India rubber if he is honest in his presumption that The Menace is opposing religious liberty. We have thought all along that religious liberty is the principal thing for which we are battling, since we are opposing the organization that has stamped out religious liberty wherever it has gained a foothold, and which has

December 8th Is "Letter Day" For Rome And Red Letter Day For The Menace

According to the Catholic Press, the Following is the Form of Letter all Loyal Catholics Will Mail to the Postmaster General on December 8th

Honorable and Dear Sir:

For some time there has been published at Aurora, Missouri, a paper called THE MENACE. The sole reason for the existence of this paper seems to be to attack the Catholic church and the members of that church in this country. Its statements have been libelous, and it has been demonstrated beyond the question of a doubt that the matter contained in it is obscene and indecent.

This paper has enjoyed the privilege of being circulated through the United States mails. We are under the impression that there is a Federal law calculated to bar obscene and indecent literature from the mails. Yet, no steps have been taken to enforce this law in regard to THE MENACE. The Dominion of Canada made an investigation of this matter some time ago, with the result that THE MENACE no longer enjoys mail privileges in Canada.

Why doesn't the United States do likewise? As a citizen of the United States, I protest against the attitude assumed by the Post Office Department in this matter, and urge that some steps be taken to enforce the mail regulations which concern the circulation of obscene literature through the mails. If the present law is faulty, then I urge that it be amended in such a way that it will be of value in protecting the people from scurrilous literature, such as THE MENACE has demonstrated itself to be. Very truly yours, (Here sign your name.)

According to the Circulation Man, the Following is the Form of Letter All Patriotic Menace Boosters Will Mail to The Menace December 8th.

THE MENACE, Aurora, Mo:

For some time there has existed in this country an organization known as the Roman Catholic church. The sole reason for the existence of this organization seems to be to make America Catholic and bring this nation under the rule of the pope of Rome. It has been demonstrated beyond the question of a doubt that this organization is rotten and that it is here to serve no good purpose.

This organization has already enjoyed privileges at the hands of the government to which it was not entitled. We are under the impression that our laws demand the separation of church and state. Yet no steps have been taken to enforce these laws in regard to the Roman Catholic church. France, Spain, Portugal, Mexico and other nations investigated this organization some time ago and decided that it should no longer enjoy residence in their dominions.

Why doesn't the United States do likewise? As a citizen of the United States I enter my protest against the activity of this questionable organization in American politics, and to show my faith by my works enclose a dollar bill and four subscribers to THE MENACE, the little champion of humanity and Christianity, and I urge that you continue to conduct this little paper in such a way that it will remain the most valuable instrument ever placed in the hands of the American people for their protection against such a damnable menace as this organization has demonstrated itself to be. Very truly yours, (Here sign your name.)

ANOTHER "HOLY FATHER" IN BAD

Charged With Statutory Crime by Little Hunchback Girl Who Recently Became a Mother--Will the Insanity Racket Work in This Case as It Does in the Cases of Priests Who Commit Murder?

Great Falls, Mont., Nov. 14.—F. C. Dene, a Catholic priest, is under arrest here accused by a 17-year-old hunchback girl of causing her downfall. Dene's belongings in Great Falls and has been connected with the Catholic church here and also in Belt. Susie Bachan is the girl and she lives with her widowed mother in Belt. Dene, was arrested Friday afternoon at St. Peter's Mission, some distance out of Cascade. When arrested he had nearly \$300.

In a statement to the county attorney the hunchback girl says she was employed to look after the priest's room in Belt and that while following this occupation she became the victim of Dene. She also states that when her physical condition became alarming Father Dene tried to get her to come to Great Falls and live and later insisted upon sending her to Los Angeles. The priest is in jail here awaiting action by the authorities.

The above press dispatch from the Nov. 15th issue of the Helena, Mont., Independent is in brief the story of another unfortunate girl who has come to grief and who publicly acknowledges that a Roman Catholic priest (in good standing) is the father of her infant son.

The fact that the crime of seduction has been committed is nothing uncommon.

The fact that the crime was committed by a Roman Catholic priest is not uncommon.

But the fact that the victim of this unholy brute was a physically deformed orphan, dependent in part on the work she did for this monster as a means of supporting herself and widowed mother, makes the offense seem terrible to say the least, and shows to what depths of infamy a Roman Catholic priest is capable of descending.

This crime if not a greater one than murder is at least in that class, and we shall anxiously await the outcome. The usual plea of priests who are caught and proven guilty of murder is insanity, but we are of the opinion that this is one case where the insanity racket won't serve the purpose.

This case is another powerful argument against the doctrine of alleged priestly celibacy, and goes to show that women and girls are not safe when these brutes are allowed to run at large, and if they persist in maintaining the custom the government of the United States should see that the confessional is abolished and that priests submit to such surgical alterations as would render them incapable of destroying the virtue of females with whom they come in contact. Dr. Washington Gladden and a few (very few, thank God) other weak-kneed Protestant apologists for Romanism says that we have these priests with us and that we should, therefore, learn to love

them and live with them in peace. Decent people, however, have not yet degenerated to that point where they are willing to tolerate rape and enforced prostitution as a means of keeping the peace, and if he should apply the same doctrine to the people of the South who have had to contend with the same crimes committed by colored brutes common to that locality, who are no worse than white priestly brutes so far as we can see, we opine that his proposal would meet with a cold reception.

A GREAT SCHEME

A correspondent to "America" suggests a very practical plan for getting rid of The Menace. Every copy he receives he mails to the Postmaster General in Washington, or to his Congressional man. Should all Catholics, who are annoyed by receiving this disreputable sheet, do likewise, the writer believes Mr. Burleson might eventually wake up.

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To a Catholic priest or editor anything is "disreputable" that exposes their scheming, and it is perhaps very annoying to have the truth told openly. With these explanations The Menace endorses the idea of the above clipping. Every Catholic should receive and read The Menace, and then pass it on, and we should not object if each Catholic in the United States secured and mailed a copy of the paper, not only to Mr. Burleson but to every other prominent official. In fact this would be a great thing. For there would be more copies of The Menace sold, more Catholics would read The Menace, each copy of the paper so re-mailed would require a postage stamp, and so help out the postal revenues.

And it would keep uneasy Romanists out of mischief while reading and re-mailing the paper. We are glad our R. C. contemporaries are circulating this brilliant idea and hope that every obedient Catholic in the land will get a Menace, read it, and then mail it to some other person.

To the Firing Line Squad

Ask the average Menace man how he manages to secure so many subscribers for the "dirty little sheet" and he will tell you, nine times out of ten, that he first gets his neighbors interested by handing them a sample copy of the paper, then goes after them for their subscription. The men on the Firing Line are plastering this country with sample copies, and it is the best plan yet devised to wake up sleepy Protestants. Order a bundle of sample copies today for distribution and get busy. Following are the prices for Menaces in bundles: 50 copies to one address..... \$3 100 copies to one address..... 50 250 copies to one address..... 1.25 500 copies to one address..... 2.50

President Wilson Breaks a Vicious Custom

Washington, Nov. 19.—President Wilson will not attend the annual Pan-American mass at St. Patrick's church on Thanksgiving, thereby avoiding the criticism which developed last year among Protestant organizations. It was announced today that he was planning to spend Thanksgiving with his daughter, Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, at Williamstown, Mass.

Oldtimers at the White House said today that it would be the first time in many years that the president had been absent from Washington on Thanksgiving Day. This commendable action on the part of President Wilson is an agreeable reminder of the fact that wise men can and do change their minds when convinced that a change is appropriate and desirable. Even a President of the United States may go so far as to change a bad precedent established and followed for years by predecessors.

The papist press has gone so far as to declare that attendance at the St. Patrick church spectacle by the chief executive had become a fixed festival which no president would care or dare to disturb. But in their rejoicing over the clever strategy, by which semi-official recognition of popery had been acquired, they failed to reckon with the spirit of American independence and the manhood of a president

determined to be as near right as possible without regard for the consequences.

We are just as eager in praising this patriotic act of Mr. Wilson's as we have been zealous in criticizing his previous compliance with the vicious custom. It takes more than an ordinary amount of character and moral courage for a man in public life to back out of the beaten path and take a new start. It was diplomatic and kindly on Mr. Wilson's part to make the change in the gentlest way possible by giving the day to his daughter while taking it away from the managers of popish pagantry.

Rome may howl, or substitute the bleat of the lamb for the roar of the lion. The good work is done, and the nation is the beneficiary. True Americans will rejoice and Rome will be displeased whether it says so or not. It is to be hoped that this is the beginning of President Wilson's release from every entanglement with papists and papal politics. If he can rid himself of Tumulty as gracefully as he has shaken the Pan-American Mass we will shout again.