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An Agreement.

G. K. Chesterton prefaces this poem with the following remark: "Mr. William Chissold regards Birth Control as the test of liberality: those against it are reactionary: those in favor are for the progressive revolution."

Where you have laid it, let the sword divide
And your unmotherly Medea be
Here sundered from our human trinity,
The Mother and the Virgin and the Bride.

Why should we falter? Ours shall be the mirth
And yours the amaze, when you have thinned away
Your starving serfs to fit their starvling pay
And seen the meek inheriting the earth.

That Christ from this creative purity
Came forth your sterile appetites to scorn.
Lo: in her house Life without Lust was born
So in your house Lust without Life shall die.

Read The Catholic Papers, Judge.

"A meeting of the lay and cleric Alumni of the University was thrown into confusion early this month by the plea of Judge Thomas J. Collins of the Springfield District Court, an invited guest at the meeting....

"Following are some excerpts from the Massachusetts jurist's address: 'The best service done Catholic education in this country recently can be credited to Coaches Howard Jones, of Southern California, and Jock Sutherland, of Pittsburgh, whose football teams beat the supposedly invincible Notre Dame eleven. Notre Dame's gridiron success,' he continued, 'has caused people to associate football proficiency with Catholic colleges and to lose sight of the fact that our institutions are valuable seats of learning. Jones and Sutherland proved that they have mighty football machines elsewhere than at Catholic colleges'

"In the same vein, Judge Collings urged his listeners to remember that the Pope in Rome wants Catholic University to produce intellectuals who can carve out careers that will be a source of credit to their Church, their country, and their college. He decried what he believes to be a tendency at Catholic institutions to neglect religion for football." -- The Tower, Catholic University of America.

This is Catholic Press Month, and we recommend that the Judge subscribe to a few Catholic papers and read them. A detailed reply to His Honor, written by John McDill Fox (N.D., '09), Dean of the Catholic University Law School, published in the same issue of The Tower, contained the following pertinent paragraph:

"I was particularly amazed at the citation of the athletic program of the University of Notre Dame as an example of something evil. The athletes of Notre Dame have been veritable warriors for the Church. It was the Christian example of Notre Dame's athletes which so impressed the great Knute Rockne as to lead to his conversion, and it must be remembered that at the same time that Notre Dame is training boys physically she has reached a pre-eminent position in her religious surveys, in her daily Religious Bulletin, in her daily Commaunions, in her absolute, manly, public avowal of Catholicism, so that religion permeates the very fibre of her students to such an extent that the term 'Notre Dame man' has come to connote a militant, fervid, religious, Catholic gentleman."