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St. Thomas Aquinas Tomorrow.

The "Doctor Angelicus," whose feast we celebrate tomorrow is the patron of Christian learning. Give yourself a remembrance in your prayers and Holy Communions tomorrow. Pray for brains.

Distribute The Adoration.

There is now law against all of you making adoration the same day, but the line of adorers is a bit thin on some days, and on other days it is very heavy. Tomorrow is one of those days: 40 adorers are needed, and 132 have signed for the day. That's all right, especially on the feast of St. Thomas, who wrote the Office of the Blessed Sacrament and composed most of the beautiful hymns to the Eucharist. But now and then take a look at the gaps posted at the pamphlet rack, and fit into these when you can.

Who Is The Biggest Fish?

The fellow who rang the bell at the Sorin chapel on the First Friday (not knowing we had moved to Dillon last fall), the juniors who didn't have two bits left for the boxing show after the prom, the lad whose date left him in the middle of the basketball game to go to the prom with a junior -- these and a few more have been nominated, but it is our opinion that there are bigger fish in the sea than have been caught. Spread your net. Show us your catch.

The Nationalities Census.

The Irish mestizos seem to be ashamed of the Irish blood, as only four students of non-Irish names have reported Irish mothers. We'll try the Germans next, although it will be harder to assemble 25% to make out their majority of 51% than it would be to assemble 15% of Irish blood. If they fall down on the job, we'll turn it over to the English.

Three Martins have acknowledged Irish blood, but divvil a Smith has said what he is. To classify the Smiths, therefore, we have resorted to first names, with the following results: Saxon, 1; Anglo-Saxon, 1; English, 3; Scotch, 1; Gothic, 1; Frankish, 1; French, 1; Norman, 3; Hebrew, 2; Roman, 3.

President King Lifts His Eyebrows.

"Dear Father: Over the radio the other day I heard President King of Amherst, addressing a group in Chicago, make the following statement: 'From the days of Plato men have found no way to teach virtue by didactic methods. We expose our students to the influence of men who are fine examples of these noble qualities. Professor So-and-so' (he mentioned a long list of degrees) 'teaches no classes. All day long he receives the students who go to him with their problems.... Dean This-or-that....' How about it?"

How about it? Well, it simply means that President King is following Will Durant's formula and going him one step further. Will Durant has at least heard of Our Lord and His Twelve Apostles and the Catholic Church; President King has heard only of Plato. So far as his system goes, we gave it space in the Report of the Prefect of Religion (1929): "alongside this Professor X, where he is to be found, there must be, if the University is committed to the principle of academic freedom, Professor Y, who theorizes to no essential difference between right and wrong, and Professor Z, who orders his life according to the teachings of Professor Y."

PRAYERS: Deceased - Senator Walsh; Mayor Cermak; Chief Justice Anglin of the Supreme Court of Canada (Margaret Anglin's brother); relatives of Jack Kiley and Leo Hofschneider; a friend. Ill - A student's pastor; Sam Reed's father; the mother of Sandy Lechowicz, '27; relatives of Chas. Conley and John J. O'Connor. Four special intentions; a thanksgiving from the Depression Novena (No. 14).