OCAL PASTORS WRITE CHRIST-MESSAGES

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the world" speaks of the advent of Christ thus: "The greatest event of all history - the greatest in every Let every heart prepare Him room view, politically, socially and nerally, no less than religiously-occurred in the reign of Augustus when Jesus of Nazareth was born." Education, philanthropy, science, art, morality, religion, civilization, all receive their greatest impulses from the teachings By Eneas B. Goodwin, Pastor of St. and spirit of Christianity. If Christ had not come-? Our faculty o. rea-

the United States. Tho the air is believe as a people, ye are now con- are sitting in the shadows waiting for the inevitable result of our abandonseldom bitterly cold, there is often fronted in the world of morals and the days when this good land of ours ment of justice. Money is worshipheavy snow fall. It was mid-winter in the world of trade with a crisis will be tossed and turbulent. hem, six miles south of Jerusalem. the 6th of April. 1917." things as they guarded their flocks by Europe. The present crisis involves night and watched the stars or talked the stability of our own government of the traditions of the past. Little and the safety of our own people. did they dream that the great Shep- The man or woman least interested herd was so near. Suddenly a hea- in public affairs is no longer blind venly messenger stood in their midst. to the disturbed condition of public Trembling with fear they received a affairs. So disturbed are they that

(God with us) is His name.

Let earth receive her King. And Heaven and nature sing."

THE NATIONAL CHRIST-MAS HOPE

Joseph's Catholic Church.

After

message which brought assurance and we cannot say that any one is unint- the law to accomodate employers, the individual and national mind. joy. "Fear not; for behold, I bring erested in them, for every one in some these are indications of bewilderment Justice must be recovered. you good news of great joy to all way or other is personally affected by and of the loss of administrative con-people; for unto you is born this day them. This country that, only a trol that increase confusion in the ble for food and wealth may sound in the city of David, a Savior who is short time ago, hardly knew the country, and sanction the assumption as unavailing as to softly whisper to Christ the Lord." He came. Let earth meaning of internal dissension, is now of arbitrary powers. again repeat the story. Immanuel convlused with factional strife of the It is time, therefore, to strenghten pool. But religion implies habitual most omnious significance. Capital- the foundations of our national edi- consideration of the rights of others. "Joy to the world; the Lord has come. ists have begun a systematic war a- fice and make it safely habitable a- It is the only force that can neutragainst trade unionists. Unionists and gain. This is the work of the genu- lize greed, it is the sole reason of of one or the other, have raised pri- Sovietism, Capitalists and Unionists that is self operating. If it were, ces so high that the people who are are planning. plotting. demanding, since it is coeval with man, the pages neither capitalists nor unionists have and clamoring for a change. But the of history would not be stained with been driven to war aginst both com- change they desire is a change from human blood, nor would they be soilbinations. Socialists, Soviets and Ra- what is, to nothing. They are like ed with records of human follies, of dicals, academic and virulent, are the foolish man who pulled down his satanic outbursts of fanaticism, or of forming organizations that will dis- house and when the tempest came industrial oppression. Religion may seminate seeds of discontent from San had no place to go. Francisco to New York. And there From the beginning of history the is mislaid a moral crisis follows. son breaks down beneath the burden. In a statement issued last week by are the tribes, septs, races, clans, and supreme object of every genuine re-The land of the nativity lies in the State of New York is was said that associations of religiously exclusive try on the solid foundation of justice. same latitude as the southern half of "the business men of the whole nation membership that, fearful of the light. The crisis in which we are today is

and in snow-clad fields near Bethle- similiar to that which we faced on In our dismay we cannot look with ed god like men and women into confidence toward those who are ad foaming beasts of prey. The rights shepherds were keeping vigil over On that day we suddenly faced a ministering our government. The va- of others have no place in the mind of their flocks folded safely from wind crisis that made us see clearly the cillating policy adopted by them is a brute. Greed is driving the capiand evil beasts within rudely construct impossibility of remaining in a neu-disheartening. Conferences predestintalist to smash unionism, it is greed ted sheep-cots. In this locality Ruth tral position. Immediate action was ed to failure. Commissions unable to that is causing the rest of us to envy had gleaned behind the reapers and necessary, and for immediate action do more than give futile advice, the and hate both, and it is greed that in-David, the sweet singer of Israel, had we were unprepared. But the crisis imposition of extraordinary taxes to duces governments to crush nations led his flocks beside the still waters of 1917 differed from the crisis of this compensate for extravagence and wil-that are weak and ally themselves many long years before. Perhaps year. Was then a crisis that involved ful waste, officials who invoked the with those that are strong. Greed these shepherds thought of these our position among the nations of law to restrain workmen and avoided means the elimination of justice from

ped with a wild frenzy that has turn-

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a man sinking in the midst of a whirl-Capitalists, by the vicious victories ine reformer. Radicalism, Russian justice. It is not, however, something by the yard.

But moral crises are temporary on-

be lost or rather, mislaid. When it

To adjustment of social conditions. Men (Continued on Page 3)

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