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In questions where morals are not concerned, in purely technical problems, if his opinion is asked, it has no other value than that of a technician who may or may not possess knowledge and experience.

After the moral adviser has helped those for whom he has the task of forming their conscience, that he has placed their duty in front of them, he can go no farther. The success or the failure of the realization of the Christian social order rests squarely on the shoulders of laymen. It is their responsibility and their mission. They must have the courage to accept the burden as well as the honour.

The rôle of a moral adviser in professional associations is essentially a sacerdotal one: to be among men to try to raise them up unto God and to help them organize society in such a way that it be a reflection of the perfections of the Creator. *

* This is a digest of a more complete article appearing in the French section of this issue.

SEVENTH INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS CONVENTION

Wages and Prices

The seventh Industrial Relations Convention will take place in Quebec City, at the Chateau Frontenac, next April 21st and 22nd. Every year, nearly 500 delegates come together in the meeting-rooms of the Chateau. These two days of study are an occasion for everyone, not only to listen to very instructive speeches, but also to exchange opinions either with the speakers and the experts or with others in the audience.

1952 will be the Centenary of Laval University. This convention will be an eloquent affirmation that our University is at the service of the whole nation. In view of this, we extend a very pressing invitation to industrialists, union leaders and government employees to give consideration to one of the most serious problems which the whole nation must face: the adjustment of prices and wages in an economy menaced with inflation.

Will the spiral of prices and wages come to an end? What causes the increase? Who are the victims? Are there any cures? These are all questions that we ask ourselves. In order to know of all the aspects of the inflation problem, we have asked the universities, employees' and employers' associations and financial institutions to give their support assuring us of the cooperation of their speakers and experts. The subjects to be covered at the seventh Convention will lend themselves to some very lively debates. As in the past, we are counting on an active cooperation as much by your presence as by your participation in the forums.*

* A summary of the topics together with the programme of the Convention are published in page 113 of this review.