

One man thing about a self. Our Lord held no grudges. He made man, he never blames had no neighbors to whom He anyone else. refused to speak.

Named Monsignor



The Rev. Dr. John P. Boland of Buffalo, now in Italy doing war relief work, has been elevated by His Holiness, Pope Pius XII to the rank of Domestic Prelate with title of Right Reverend Monsignor.

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Glasgow — (RNS) — Seventeen Polish students for the priesthood are enrolled at the Glasgow Catholic seminary, officials here announced.

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which opened and continues without prayer to God will add Him to its Charter even as an afterthought.

Unfortunately, the failure so far of the Conference and its Charter to recognize the existence of the Supreme Being can not be laid to oversight or accident. This failure is deliberate. A committee of delegates actually debated whether or not the text of the Charter should contain "a reference to the Deity." The absence of any such reference in the Charter, as it is now drafted, indicates that God must have been vetoed in committee.

The very thought of mere human creatures arguing the propriety of mentioning God in a document on international peace suggests a new low in comic tragedy.

In this astonishing instance, one can not resist observing that what the delegates think about the "Deity" is not so interesting as what the "Deity" thinks about such delegates.

There is an incident in American history which might serve as a helpful parable to the "Deity-fearful" delegates at San Francisco. This incident concerns Abraham Lincoln and his immortal classic, "The Gettysburg Address."

There was no reference to God in the self-prepared manuscript which Lincoln held in his hand and read from at Gettysburg on that November day in 1863.

But standing there on a bloody battlefield of the Civil War and amid the graves of soldier dead,

President Lincoln made an inspired addition to his prepared text as he read it to the assembled thousands.

The happy interpolation relative to God was made by Lincoln in the brilliant conclusion of his famous speech.

The prepared copy in the President's hand read: "... we here highly resolve . . . that this nation shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

What the American President actually said was this: ". . . we here highly resolve . . . that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, etc."

"UNDER GOD!" . . . this meaningful phrase is what invests "The Gettysburg Address" with immortality.

Without this important recognition of national dependence on Divine Providence, Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address" might have been just another speech. For Lincoln democracy is not only "government of the people, by the people, for the people." It is also government "under God."

Lincoln himself keenly appreciated the importance of this reference to God in his "Gettysburg Address." Afterwards he made two copies of the speech for friends and in both copies he scrupulously wrote the words "under God," although he had spoken them extemporaneously and had not included them in his original draft.

The forceful expression, "under God," saved "The Gettysburg Address." The same words or some like expression might save the United Nations Charter.

The refusal of the San Francisco Conference and the United Nations Charter to recognize God dramatizes the fact that modern society is fast in the grasp of what Pope Pius XII calls a "pernicious error."

This is the error of secularism. It is the error which divorces civil authority from every kind of dependence upon the Supreme Being.

It is the error which ignores the Higher Law of God and follows the whims of human passion and the dictates of human power.

If statesmen ignore God in the Conference of nations can they be expected to respect Him in the affairs of nations?

If the United Nations write God out of their Charter will they also write Him out of their conduct?

These are reasonable fears. Would that the wisdom of Lincoln at Gettysburg might become the wisdom of the delegates at San Francisco.

Only "under God" can the United Nations build a world of lasting peace.

If they understand this important fact, the least they can do is to admit it in writing.

Arctic Prelate Dies After 58 Years' Labor

Prince Rupert, B. C. (NC)—The Most Rev. Emile Marie Buroz, O.M.L., Vicar Apostolic of Prince Rupert, has died here at the age of 81.

A native of France, Bishop Buroz was ordained at Rome on March 28, 1886, at the age of 22. In the same year he came to work as a missionary on the Canadian Coast, where he served until his death.

Bishop Buroz was known to thousands of Indians, trappers and prospectors during his 58 years of missionary labor, travelling by dogsled, canoe and on horseback.

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