

GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

OUR Divine Lord never made a distinction between races or colors, not even between the East and West. It is however an historical fact that the Western World is Christian and the Eastern World is not. The difficulty our missionaries have to face in India, Korea, Africa and Japan is to convince the Eastern people that Christianity is not Western. Added to this association of Westernness with Christianity is the Communist propaganda that the Western World is "imperialistic." Hence the missionaries are accused of being "agents of imperialism."

There are three answers to this dilemma of how to bring the Divinity of Christianity to Eastern peoples without it being "Westernness."

The first way is to educate native priests, Brothers and Sisters. Communism prospers in China, India, Hungary and Poland by making the natives Communist and thus creating the illusion that Communism is natural to their culture. The American people would not be satisfied if most of their bishops and clergy came from a foreign country; the Eastern people are entitled to share the same sentiments. Hence let the Church in Africa be governed by Africans, the Church in Japan by Japanese, etc. Some progress in this direction is being made. In Africa today there are 1500 native seminarians in 44 major seminaries. In Tanganyika there is a major seminary for every 4000 Catholics; in Nyasaland one for every 6,600; in the Congo one for every 10,000 Catholics. A seminary can be completely educated for \$600 or supported for \$150 a year. A Catholic in America who wants an adopted son a priest will make this sacrifice for the sake of the faith. By this means will we convince the Eastern World that Christianity is not Western.

The second way of doing it is to universalize our prayer! In order to make Americans conscious of the world we have created a Rosary in which each of the decades are dedicated to a missionary continent. At your request and an offering of \$1 for the Holy Father's Missions this World Mission Rosary will be blessed by me and sent to you.

The third way of bringing the Western and Eastern World together is by the Western World making sacrifices for the Eastern World. Without a package of cigarettes, a new dress, a luxury of any kind in the name of Jesus and Mary in reparation for your own faults and in gratitude for the gift of faith, your sacrifice will be distributed by the Holy Father to the needy missions of the world. This is what others are doing! GOD LOVE YOU to U.S. for \$24.94, half of a 10% retroactive pay, for \$10.50 won in bowling tournaments, for \$1.50 sacrificed by not buying soft drinks and for half of a pay raise, \$158.10—in all \$205.04 for the Holy Father's Missions. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to P.F. for \$85 he sent the Holy Father's Missions. Part of this was 10% of his gross earnings and the remainder his saving of pennies from the last few months. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to H.M. for \$50, a birthday remembrance of her deceased mother who harbored a sincere love for the missions. . . . GOD LOVE YOU to F.F., 14 years old for \$15, the money he received on different occasions from his family. Recently he became ill and promised Our Blessed Mother to send this money to the Holy Father's Missions if he recovered.

Cut out this column, pin your sacrifice to it and mail it to the Most Reverend Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 100 E. 38th Street, New York 18, New York, or your Diocesan Director. Very Rev. Magr. John S. Randall, 20 Chestnut Street, Rochester, New York.

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Other Worlds, Men-Like Creatures 'Are Possible,' Says Catholic Doctrine

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With their preternatural gifts, it would be reasonable to suppose that they would be far ahead of us technically. With their superior intellect they might have mastered interplanetary travel.

Granting the assumption of such a world of enlightened intellect and of wills adhering faithfully to God, it is also reasonable to surmise that such beings would never wage war against men on earth or harm us in any way. In fact, it would be unlikely that such beings should have conflicts among themselves, or should ever have invented weapons to destroy each other.

IF THESE supposed rational beings should possess the immortality of body once enjoyed by Adam and Eve it would be foolish for our superjet or rocket pilots to attempt to shoot them. They would be unkillable.

(4) A fourth possibility is a world of rational beings who, like the fallen angels, aimed against God and were never given another chance to be reformed in God's grace.

Such an assumption might well give us a world of evil geniuses. They could be creatures with keen intellects but evil wills. Such beings would of course be unlikely to bring our mankind any good.

Not only does Catholic doctrine admit the possibility of the creation of other worlds of rational beings. It also admits the possibility of pre-Adamites. That is, there could have been a race of rational beings on earth who died out before God created Adam and Eve.

Among the theologians who discuss this question and admit its possibility are the Rev. Damiano Palmieri, S.J., in his "De Creatione" published in 1910; Fabre d'Evieux in his "Les Origines de la terre et de l'homme" published in Paris in 1873, and Father Van Noort in his "Treatise on God the Creator."

THE THEORY that Catholic doctrine condemns is that such fancied pre-Adamites were living at the time of Adam and Eve and are the forebears of part of our present human race. Adam and Eve are held by Catholic teaching to be the progenitors of all the people who have lived since their time.

I have no intention whatsoever of discussing the factual problem of whether or not the alleged "flying saucers" are actually space ships from other planets. Indeed, I am inclined to believe that a more thorough explanation will be forthcoming on their origin.

But it is well for Catholics to know that the principles of their faith are entirely reconcilable with even the most astounding possibilities regarding life on other planets.

At any rate, there is according to the solemn teaching of the Catholic Church a great multitude of intellectual beings in addition to human beings. They are the angels in Heaven and the devils in hell.

Experts Admit 'Phenomena' Of 'Flying Saucer' Mystery

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In the Philippines from 1931 to 1934, taught astronomy and navigation at Harvard from 1942 to 1944, and has written extensively in the field of astronomy.

The expert opinion, as far as I can gather it, is that no one knows what they are.

No scientist can begin to speculate on what a 'flying saucer' is because none ever has broken down.

In brief, it is a subject in which there can be no speculation because it is too indefinite.

Louis Henry Crook, head of the school of aeronautical engineering at the Catholic University of

America, who has perfected several important inventions in the field of aerodynamics.

As far back as 1928 men have been experimenting in making machines which look like flying saucers. A number of such machines have been perfected. There is nothing in aerodynamics which denies that such machines can be made to travel at very high speed.

But this subject of 'flying saucers' which is being talked about today, especially on the theory that they may come from another planet, a person should sit down and just reason out the matter, something like this: Any man-made device is never perfect. Many are supposed to have seen these so-called 'flying saucers' but there never has been any report that one has broken down. Therefore, we must reasonably conclude that they are not man-made.

And even if they were made by inhabitants of another planet, they would not be perfect and eventually would have to break down. But none has ever broken down.

I personally believe they are natural phenomena and I look to the scientists in meteorology and kindred fields to come up someday with the answer to the puzzle.

French Jesuit Arrested By Chinese Reds

Hong Kong, (NC)—The Rev. Georges Gernon, S. J., former rector of Aurora University, Shanghai, was arrested by the communist security police on the night of July 19-20, according to information received here.

THE 61-YEAR-OLD French Jesuit was acting as procurator for the Shanghai diocese and the Jesuit Order in China at the time of his arrest.

The arrest came as no surprise to Shanghai Catholics. The communist authorities had long been demanding that students of Aurora "demonstrate" for the punishment of the former rector.

THE communists had brought over a hundred indoctrination teams from Peking to overcome the opposition of the Catholic students in the college. Aurora University has been under the complete domination of the government since it was confiscated in February 1951.

Aurora was practically the last institute of higher learning to fall victim to the communist indoctrination program. The students were not only indifferent, but outwardly resentful of the program.

Soleiman Head, Paris, Italy (NC)—The Very Rev. Renato Ziggliotti, 59-year-old Italian, has been chosen superior general of the Salesians at the general chapter here.

Honor Founder



This specially designed medal, to be worn by delegates attending the 7th annual convention of the Knights of Columbus, in Los Angeles, August 17-21, bears a likeness of the priest-founder, Father Michael J. McGivney, and commemorates the centenary of his birth at Waterbury, Conn., August 12, 1852. The Order has a total membership of 239,624, the largest in its 70-year history.

Bishop Sheen Rebuffs Brings Red To Faith

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In some 30 to 40 trade unions. In 1944 she was elected to the Communist Party's top governing body, the National Committee, and she served on it until 1948.

Unlike her fellow communist, Louise Budenz, who became a communist in the 1930's and returned to his Catholic faith under Bishop Sheen's guidance in 1945, Dr. Dodd had no religious affiliations prior to joining the Communist Party.

In June, 1949, after her earliest visits with Bishop Sheen, Dr. Dodd was expelled from the communist party, which—with its unusual lenient tactics in such cases—accused her of being associated with landlords in scandals involving Puerto Rican housing in New York.

IN APRIL, 1949, Dr. Dodd appeared, under subpoena, before the Tydings subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, then investigating charges of communism in the U. S. State Department.

In March of this year Dr. Dodd was again a witness before a congressional subcommittee. She testified at a closed session of a Senate subcommittee on Internal Security.

Since renouncing communism, Dr. Dodd is known to have turned down a substantial offer from a leading magazine for writing the story of her conversion. She is now understood to be working on a book, while continuing her practice of law here.

School Dormitories Ruled Tax-Exempt

Manila (NC)—A long-awaited official ruling has been handed down here by the Manila city treasurer's office exempting Catholic school canteens and dormitories from paying license fees and municipal taxes.

In its decision exempting the Catholic schools from the license fees and taxes, the city treasurer's office called attention to the constitutional provision which provides that properties used exclusively for religious, charitable and educational purposes are tax-free.

Also stressed in the official ruling was the service that the Catholic schools render to the welfare of students by operating dormitories and canteens.

College Chaplain St. John, Que. (NC)—The Rev. (Capt.) Gontran Lebel, chaplain veteran of the Korean war, has been appointed chaplain of the new College Militaire Royal de St. Jean here.

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