

and Bester Vigil riter have little in common but the midnight coremonies brought back mem-

The alert time Church ritual ushering in the feast of the Old Festament Bible reading of God's Set up at conventions and say.

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the Beripture story creation is described in very the story, research experts of local industries believe whatever the Church teaches looked in their faith and genetific knowledge appar-is conflict.

TURE SAYS God created heaven and earth, stars animale, birds, and finally fashioned man.

EFANDARD SCICNCE books tell & story of long evolumir catastrophes of colliding gallaxies, and straying and that's that. maters which swirled into solar systems.

There recently, California University scientists stated convention audience (which usus available inert chemicals and produced a living virus ally there aren't, fathers being interestary life, but still they claimed they "created" what violently allergic to speeches) a Hille states God slone can do, to make a living being.

Testar visits and aditorial columns are hardly the place part eyewash. But they smile and the ancient struggle between faith and fact, let it go; after all, a speaker has new are a few elues to the solution.

Masses wrote his Book of Genesis, the Bible's first secbedy had any of the precise knowledge we have at hand today. Means wanted to tell his Invali people the simple fact manchew, someway, somewhere there was but one God.

Meses would not know, unless God chose to reveal the t to him, precisely how the universe was made, and the in and for years ground into ignorance and fear under the best of Egyptian taskmasters, would not have understood a bechnical scientific analysis. staying out of arguments.

As a matter of fact, latest research into the atom indithat the earth's minerals date back 2 billion years. the incompetence of Pop has been pilling up for years, until today it when time date the moment when time began_

This I billion years has received strange confirmation astronemers who estimate the Milky Way, the family and in which our earth is a tiny speck, has a similiar age 2 1 Million years.

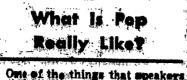
And quick on the heels of that estimate is another agreeist distant woodae of stars racing away from the introver's conter began their flight 2 billiom years ago.

THET TUBES AND TELESCOPES bring us then to And that day 2 billion years ago it was Time bert McLuhan by name, who remerry ner stuff por anything, Than "in the beginning," ind in his own way said, "Let there be light!"

Sudianly there was a radiant tremendous surge shat-The empty yold and over the years, scross the limitless s of space, the wait universe took shape, and God,

a our speck of earth to be our Savior, so that so





without fear of contradiction from the delegates seated row on row, is that the modern Dad han lost his rightful position as

head of his household and is now nothing more than a kind of amiable fool who pays the bills

If there are any fathers in the they know that what the honored guest is saying is for the most got to speak, hasn't he!

Methers who are present likewise Meagrae with what is be-ing alloged, but here again the Icliaw delivering the address zves unchallenged, beaune by the time a mother has reached convention-going age, she has heard every kind of nonsene there is, and is tired of it, and shaply likes nothing belier than

Dredging back in memory, I recall that this propaganda about forms one of those fashionable topics which, when made the subject of a convention talk, is immediately picked up by the newspapers and gets all kinds of pubicity-something to which most speakers have only mild objec-

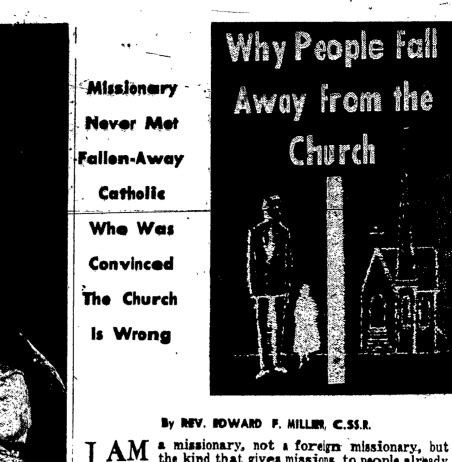
tions. I MEMEMBER that one of the Feast of St. Catherine of Siena, patroness of Italy, is first fellows to hit upon the observed by the Church on Tuesday, April 30. The theme of the futility of Father

was a professor in Canada, Herbert McLuhan by name, who rewriting what I considered a dastardly attack on my best beloved comic strip personality, Dagwood

Bumstead, than whom there is no nobler character in all diction. The foolish talk about Father

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they that it was good." This is the God we worship, so has been snowballing ever since. undently filled with life that the tomb could not retain gowned family relations experts are beginning to see through it.



Why People Fall Away from the Church

Me may even be trying to get enough money together to batch a leaking roof, so that his parishioners may not have to raise umbrellas in church.

It makes no difference what his purpose is; the cry is raised by the slipping and falling that all the priest talks about is money.

And when a priest approach. es a certain man who has been prodigal with his pennies when the collection braket was passed around and iduareats that it would be a good idea if he used the Sunday envelopes for a regular offering like the rest of the people, the man sometimes finds this a auffici. ent reason for severing ties with the ancient faith.

For some people the priest is always wrong. A young man once came to the priest's house to make arrangements for his marriage. He had his prospective bride on his arm. He sans the bell.

When the door was spaned. he stepped aside to allow his bride-to-be to enter first. Ne sooner had she passed inside than a loud shout greeted her. The shout consisted of nothing more terrible than' the words: "Hey! Watch sut! This floer has just been varnished!"

Without a word the young man took his girl by the arm and led her out of the house. She had been insulted and that disproved the Cathelis religion.

They were married by Moliness minister and are de vout "Holimesses" ,beday.

Then there are these who samot go to shursh or the sae ramonts because they know so many sinners who go to chunch and the sacrament

Sometimes just the general statement is made that "every time you go to skinsk you that it full of hypocrises and simners, and a 'good' person wanid not want to be found dead with them."

At other times there is Just one sinner in the parish who roes to Mass, and Mershy makes it impossible for a respectable citizen to st.

"I'll tell you why I don't go o Mass. It's because one of the biggest hypocrites in the community is right up there in the front seat every Sunday. If the Church can tolerate hims, it will have to get along without me.'

Sometimes a personal enzaity is made the eccasion for giving up the practice of

services.

Other projects in the Church were hard and opening eyes that could not see. But the

will do nothing else.

the kind that gives missions to people already Christianized here in the United States, Part of my work consists in visiting the fallen-aways and the weak of the parish in which I am working, and urging them to come out each evening for the

The Holy Spirit has a peculiar and wonderful way of tving loose souls into knots of remorse once He has them firmly fixed under the pulpit, listening

the mission.

That is why I go out with the pastor and give the strays a personal invitation. Of course I always try to induce them to come back to their Father's house through the medium of a good confession, mission or no mission.

I must say that my success this special forms of stray sheep-seeking has in' no way been spectacular. Saul may have won his thousands and

when a man came along with a proposal of the former, could not resist him even though he was the kind of a man for whorn she would have to sacrifice the latter. Of course that is not the way they tell the story. They found

to the tremendous truths of sin and hell and judgment. may effect great good in saving or reclaiming the lost; but there is nothing that can compare with the power of a mission for softening hearts that

cause of her teaching that traproblem is to induce the hardition, together with the Bible, dened and the blind to make was a font of revelation. ayune argument that they themselves had probably answered a hundred times when they were in grade school, before the issue became confused by love's young dream or some

Failing in that, I limit myself to urging them to come to the church for the mission, to come at least a few nights of the week if they cannot come every night, to come just one night out of euriosity, if they

long enough. Russian Threat David tens of thousands.

marriage than on heaven, and

Perhaps the greatest mystery of the Easter Vigil story not the Bible reading of creation but the greater truth informs us that the experis, attending the Child Study Ashat no grata a God is so good to us.

Making Marriage Click

Techniques Suggested For Finding A Husband

DEMSGR. IRVING A. DEBLANC (Director, Family Life Mursaul, N.C.W.C.

That week this column discussed husband-hunters, but not all single women are engaged in "husbandry" or lassoing. Many are deliberately taking up feming.

They want to ward off mary! partner, a helpemate, or your will age: they may have to take be a llability. tamily, a r All men mre net rumping

maybe they have to held down a full-tions job to on-able a brother to stay in the semimary, e.r maybe it is an important phase of the

Tay apostolaty Monaigner which requires Dealli a single way of life.

to marry must obviously conaider the following:

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that does not mean that some dity.

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we just measubership committees. It is the fich with contacts. St. Augustine a block would say to you, "Pray as it block everything depends on God and

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wolves. They will respect you ! you respect yourself. That is plasy." their rule; they abide by it. They siricerely hope you will be principled and pure, though some Dybwad, director of the Child tempt you to be etherwise. But Study Association. I quote him: your very altitude toward sex is vitally important. You must Father used to be pictured as always approach the subject with in 'control' of the family, but reverence actually he left all the real management to mother and

In a figuative sense you must act like Moses with his shoes off near that burning bush. You also will hear God say, "This is a Those, however, who do want holy-place-a holy subject."

Join an "Esthieen - to Thirty

Chub". After thairty years old, if Ge where men are. If, for in- you are not married, join somea nurse, a Inbrarian, you can Books Club or the Not-So-Great

Some young lady discovered Some young lady discovered inat by being a radio ham she would find quite a market of de-sirable ment favorable territories: the most favorable territories: the most favorable territories: the most favorable territories: the most favorable territories: of hard work, but after that she was calling men in a redius of

mopping a floor for your wife, if and denore of men; there is She soon had coffers of marriage understood that she is not mopshe anks you real nice and it is ping the floor with you?

There is no place like home for stopping. But, again it accusalitances - your home or someone else . Hundreds of someone else . Hundreds . fint patting an makeup and horses adopting this policy can town Main revolutionize the social life of a

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sociation convention in New York, seiticized meries, TY and while strips for too eften pieturing Dad as a "bumbling idiot" and "a defenseless male ensity destroyed by women." What chirks me up, though, is the fact that the experts asserted

However, Red aggression in § that this portrayal of Pop is false. Dr. Ray L. Birdwhistell, the Middle East presents a prob-University of Buffalo professor of lem of special significance to Christians.

anthropology, denounced it as a "myth" at the New York meeting. In fact, Dr. Birdwhistell (and . I shake his hand) said: "Father's preslige may have gone down, but his 'real posttion in the family is higher than over. Yet because he takes the more masculine peeltion of being a father-comman-les to his chlidren, everybody's scared that he's becoming a

Similar magnificent common glorifies atheistic materialism." sense was talked by Dr. Gunnar

sacred to Christians.

"Peril in the Holy Places" is the title of an article in the Tab-

respondent from Jordan tells of monks, headed by the Archiman-

across the boundary line. The tional pictures of Christ. Jews in Jerusalem fear that the Arab Legion will suddenly start

puppet Patriarch at Moscow.

Well, I might take issue with These are the troubled waters Dr. Dybwad merely on a matter in which the Russians love to of emphasis. What's wrong with fish. In the disorder resulting from much hostilities, they might hook some very valuable prizes.

for Better; Not Wome • The father of a certain beautiful girl was known all

just behaved as a figurehead.

Today, a father is a real part

of the family, but women have

not figured out just what his

"Some wives expect a fa-

ther's responsibility to include

dispering the haby or washing the dishes. A father's responsi-

billty is to act like, a father-

to play and read with his chil-

dren-not mop floors for his

part should be.

wife."

around the area as the stingiest man in the state. The girl had been going with a young man for some time, and finally the youth asked the father for permission to marry her.

"Hah!" anorted the father. So you want to marry my datighter, eh?"

ary much indeed." replied the young man. Well, I don't know." said

the father. "Do you think you can support her in the style to which she has been accustomed?" "I can sir," replied the young man. "out I'm not mean.

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in one of His apparitions to the saint, (RNS Photo)

25th child of an Italian wool-dyer, Catherine began

to witness apparitions from her earliest childhood. A

member of the Third Order of St. Dominic at 16, she

practiced extreme forms of austerity, Popes, Kings

and Superiors consulted her for advice. In 1366 she

experienced what is known as the "Spiritual Espous-

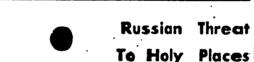
els." She was born in 1347 and died in 1380. Her

canonization took place in 1461. In this painting, she

is shown receiving a crown of thorns from Our Lord



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No one doubts that there are Reds in the Middle East. The only question is: who are they and how many? President Eisenhower's Middle East plan is designed to thwart the Reds in their sttempt to take

over the Arab countries.

President Eisenhower alluded to it in his address to Con-

> gress in which | he presented his Middle East plan. He said: 'It would be intolerable if the Father Sheerin

should be subjected to a rule that The daily press seemed to

the anxiety there as the famous drite Pimen, an exquisitely cul-Arab Legion eyes the Israelis tured man who resembles tradi-

It is noteworthy that there is shelling the crowded streets of a Russian church in the Garden Jerusalem. Likewise the Arabs of Gethsemani; but this is on the fear the Jews will bomb old Arab side of the boundary line Jerusalem and the Arab strong- and this church is White Russian, refusing to recognize the hold on the Mount of Olives.

The Tablet correspondent says in reference to this surprising. renewal of Russian interest in the Holy Land: "Here one natur-

ally has to keep the general Communist penetration of the Middle The Tablet correspondent, how- East in mind, which does not disever, has some very interesting dain any disguise, although some

facts about Russian activity in of it seems to be genuine." the Holy Land. Russia is sudden-

These zealous Orthodox priests ly showing a lively interest in the Holy Land after an absence and nuns may well be genuinely of almost 40 years. As the smoke devout. It doesn't really make from the Arab-Jewish war began much difference whether they to disappear a few years ago, are actual agents of the Governthe Patriarch of Moscow claimed ment in disguise, or whether they the almost ownerless land in are simply dupes of the Reds. Jerusalem known as the Russian A naive cleric, like a fuzzy liberal Compound. The Patriarch of Mos- can often be more valuable to cow is, of course, a bitter enemy the Communist cause than a paid

of Roman Catholicism. BRANL We must keep a vigilant eye

THE MOSCOW PATRIARCE sent a Mission to Jerusalem after on the Reds in the Middle East. this 1948 war and has been send. You can be sure they won't ing reinforcements ever since, parade themselves as Commu-Scores of young Russian nuns mists. Around the Holy Places, from all over the Soviet Union they will either wear a disguise have appeared on the scene. This as clerics or pull the strings of Russian Mission in directed by the Patriarch's puppets.

I would be content to be able to speak in terms of hundreds or even scores for whom I had been a harbinger of the grace

of conversion. Of course the grace of God sometimes works slowly and invisibly, and no laborer among souls has any call to ask that the results of his work be made manifest to him.

And he is amply rewarded for having called on fifty people with no apparent result, if the fifty-first eagerly seizes on the grace of God.

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EVEN THOUGH I have not had great apparent success in saving the lost and straying sheep on whom I have called, I have had extraordinary success in gathering a dossier of strange excuses and alibis from the lips of unfortunate men and women who were anxious to sidestep my willingness to lead them back to God.

People always have excuses for not surrendering to divine dead man's life showed that he ove, just as the people in the had no use for the Mass. Lord's parable who would not attend the banquet to which the son that the Catholic they were invited. Many may find it instructive to read what Church was not the true resome of those excuses are. ligion. Neither he nor any

Perhaps even some of those member of his family have atwho have used them, seeing tended Mass since. them black on white and in THE PRIEST and money afprint, may recognize how foolford the weak the strong arguish they are and be done with advancing them. ment for their weakness.

I have never met a single fallen-away Catholic. in some iwenty yours' experience at calling on fallen-away Catholics, who told me that he gave up the practice of the Catholic religion because he was convinced after long study and deep prayer that the Catholic religion was not the religion of Christ.

-Many may have said that they were convinced that the Catholic religion was wrong: but there was nothing about long study and deep prayer in the statement, and a question or two always proved that there was little or nothing of long study and deep prayer in fact.

study over the divine charms of a certain young lady of strong anti-Catholie tendencies who refused to tolerate the idea of marriage with a Catholic priest, or of cooperation with a Catholic in any of the duties imposed by his religion.

Or a girl may have had her heart fixed more firmly on

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visited priest ishioners too much or he did not visit them enough.

out that the Catholic Church

was wrong in the exact mo-

ment when they chose to marry

No weak Catholic has ever

said to me that he was certain

of the falsity of the Catholic

religion because of her insis-

tence on the necessity of good

works as well as faith, or be-

No, it was always some pie-

other form of passion.

of "priest trouble.

park.

capitalists"

experience.

services.

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THERE WERE many who

The priest talked too long in

his sermons, or he did not talk

The priest talked too much

about the rights of labor and

social justice, thus taking sides

with the "racketeers," or the

_priest never said anything

about social problems, thus

taking sides with "entrenched

The priest was too old to

understand modern problems.

or too young to have had any

There was the case of the

man whose father had not

darkened the door of his parish

church for thirty years, even

though he did mail a check of

a couple of hundred dollars to

the pastor once a year and did

insist on his children attending

The old man finally died.

When the son went to the

parish rectory to arrange for a

church funeral at Mass, the

pastor had to refuse this serv-

ice, rightly assuming that the

That was enough to convince

It is said that the most ten-

der part of a man is his pocket.

book. This is definitely true of

those who base the divinity of

their religion on whether or

not their pocketbook is men-

tioned by a priest in or outside

The priest may be begging

money for starving orphans or

he may be seeking donations

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the church.

gave up the faith or became

careless in its practice, because

outside her pale.

IT WOULD require a full The priest played ball with sized book to recount all the the boy's and girls in the public foolish and flimsy excuses that park, or the priest never played the fallen away have given me anything with anybody in any when I called on them in an effort to lead them home.

> They were always so tared on Sunday morning. They really felt they needed the extra rest.

> Or, they always forgot that it was Sunday, the one day which they were supposed to go to Mass.

> Or, it escaped their minds entirely to wind the alarm clock on twenty-nine consecutive Saturday evenings.

Or, they didn't do anything wrong like killing people or stealing money, and therefore they did not feel the need of running off to church every other day. In fact, they were a lot better than their neighbors who never missed Mass.

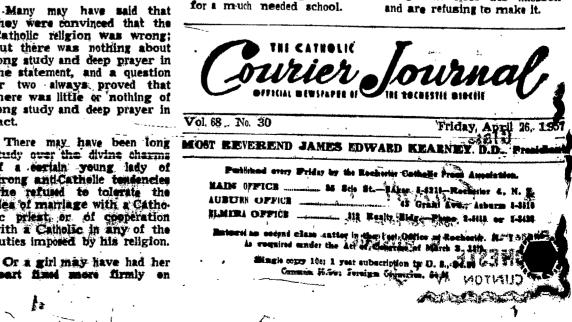
The real reason, of course, was one of two or both. They were abysmally ignorant of the obligation of serving God in God's way and not in their 03370-

Or there was an obstacle- te practicing the faith that they did not want to remove and which they would have to remove if they were to be reconciled: birth control; an invalid marriage; a sinful attachment; a program of injustice; a hatred.

Conscious neglect gradually grew into tepidity until they were so indifferent that they no longer even cared how foolish their reasons for not serving God really sounded.

Some of those who had been invited to make a mission and refused, died sudden and awful deaths. Sometimes this happened before a mission had come to an end.

That is why on every mission we pray especially hard for those who need the mission and are refusing to make it.





pay scant attention to this remark. Yet I fear there is real danger that the Reds will try to grasp control of the shrines

'Mission to Jerusalem' let (London) of March 23. A cor- Russian Orthodox priests and