Charles O'Rourke

The Death of a Beloved Apostle

By DOBRYH DAY

This last week Charles O'Rourke died and was buried. He had been in and out of the hospital several times recently and was resting at Mott street before going for a breathing spell to Maryfarm. Tom Sullivan also had been ill and in the hospital for a week, and the two of them set out together last Thursday to catch the River Day train to New York.

We had a gala breakfast, what with two members of the staff parading, and Jack English looked for English muffins and frozen strawberries (touch to Charles' amusement) while I poached some eggs and poured on the coffee. Of course there were no strawberries, but the English muffins were fancy enough. Then we left to invite the invalids to the boat. It was a grey day, rather heavy and warm, but the river is always beautiful. Agnes Bird was meeting them at the dock.

They had a good day, I learned afterward, and Charles visited around the farm and went to bed at ten-thirty. He and Tom were sharing Peter Moura's room. Charles woke up at three with an other heart attack and after a few days before the war broke out in Korea and changed the plans of the workers, he is spending Peter Moura's room.

Charles, his family, his nephews and nieces took over then, the body was brought to Arlington, New Jersey, where many of his relatives lived, and he was buried from St. Stephen's Church. The Mass was sung by Fr. Boyton, S.J., his boy friend. We went to the service beside his father's plot.

As one grows older, one wants to hear the details of the last days of old friends. I put a death notice in the Herald Tribune and the Times, and when I telephoned it, saying how Charles had voted the last 15 years of his life to the poor, and that though he was a lover of all beauty, he chose to spend his last years in ugliness, the girl who took the (Continued on page 2)

Life at Hard Labor

By AMMON HENNACY

The water gurgles in the ditch past my cabin all during the night. I hear the soft whistle and song of the Mexican National as he skillfully guides the water evenly by past my cabin all during the night. I hear the soft whistle and song of the Mexican National as he skillfully guides the water evenly by the radio brings it to our door. The time of the month of July is to be a matter of indifference how death comes at the end of the world. That it might as well come by an atom bomb as by natural causes. It is a false judgement because it is a mechanistic judgement, it reduces everything to an atomic finalism that leaves no room for personal responsibility. It eliminates secondary causation. It is an attempt to shift the responsibility of God for a man's death to us as we attempt to escape individual responsibility for participation in the acts of iniquity by invoking the State (the State) which is assumed to be (Continued on page 2)

Personal Revolt

By ROBERT LUDLOW

"Now, our Lord and Saviour did not forbid us the exercise of that individual freedom which is born with us. He did not forbid us to defend ourselves, but He forbade certain modes of defense. All sinful means, of course, He forbade, as is plain without mentioning. But, besides these, He forbade what is not sinful, but allowable by nature, though not that more especially which He taught—He forbade us to defend ourselves by force, to return evil for evil, for the life of all Christians are forbidden to defend themselves.

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Maryfarm

The time of the month of July has flowed through Maryfarm sweeping us all nearer to eternity. But we are not living in a false peace. We are more than ever an archist community we feel the repercussions of the world at war. Friends coming to stay with us discuss it and the strident voice of the radio brings it to our door. Some of the young men are talking about pacifism. The retreats, four this summer, and the presence of the blessed Sacrament in our chapel we try to offer our work and our prayers for all of those coming into our community. In our daily rhythm of the Masses, the rosary, reading the Bible and theatrical shows of the children, we try to offer our work and our prayers for all of those coming into our community.

Our New Home on Chrysite Street

The last issue of the Catholic Worker came out a long time ago—June 1. Since then the story of the new headquarters of the Catholic Worker papers into insignificance, in view of the world situation. It is heartbreaking once again to see casualty lists in the New York Times and feel the lack of peace in all hearts for four years of more widespread conflict. Once again we must reiterate our absolute pacifist position. We believe that not only atomic weapons must be outlawed, but all war, and that the social order must be restored in Christ, so that there may have true peace, "tranquillity in order."

Robert Ludlow is writing of our position in this same issue, so I will write no further on the subject, but fulfill my delightful obligation to report on the new house for our 63,000 readers.

First of all, we are still at 115 Mott street, and all mail, calls, visitors should come here and not to the new house at 221-223 Chrysite street. There are only 500 Koreans in New York City, and, strangely enough, we bought our house from a Korean family who were living with their married children and grandchildren. They are still living there, and it is oppressive enough that we are forcing them to move, and we do not wish them to be bothered with our visitors.

The contract to sell the house was signed and money paid over only few days before the war broke out in Korea and changed the plan of the head of the family, who had intended to return. Now they are hunting for a new home, and, having finished paying for a new home for ourselves and making our thanksgiving, we now must start praying for them. We ask our readers, too, to pray in this particular instance for a new home or homes for these three families whom we are discarding. As a matter of course, they are well-off people and cannot be consigned to the lists of displaced people, but still the trials and anguish they are going (Continued on page 3)

Cardinals Condemn Atom War

What Christians Must Do as Workers for Peace

Forbidding condemnation of all modern atomic and biological weapons of war came last month from the Cardinals and Archbishops of France.

"We condemn them with all our strength, as we had no hesitation in condemning the mass bombings of the recent war," the letter calls on statesmen to do all in their power to reach a common agreement for the absolute banning of such weapons and, in addition, it puts forward a three-point positive Christian lead for world peace.

Here is the full text of this important declaration.

Last autumn the Cardinals and Archbishops of France urged the Catholic church to make effective work for peace for an army of followers among their fellow-citizens.

Since then, clair the Cold War has not ceased to cause anguish to the hearts of men and the United Nations has not yet entered a new world war would bring.

Modern science has put into the hands of belligerents new weapons like atomic weapons, rockets, radioactive gases, and biological weapons, which are a terrible threat hanging over the heads of all peoples.

In such a nightmare atmosphere, it is understandable that the church should appeal that the use of atomic weapons should have secured many more mankind. The question is persistently put to you, to your fellow-workers, asking whether we condemn the use of those atomic weapons. But such a question addressed to the disciples of Christ, scandalises and revolted them.

As the Pope said two years ago, we "are in the arms of humanity," can approve the (Continued on page 3)

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Vesper Antiphons
Feast of the Assumption
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On the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we remember her ascension to heaven. The Virgin Mary's feast day is celebrated on August 15th, commemorating her assumption into heaven without corruption. The Vesper Antiphons are a portion of the liturgical prayer that traditionally marks the evening of the feast day. The Virgin Mary has been taken up into the heavens, where the King of kings sits on a throne amid the stars.

In this passage, Charles O'Rourke reflects on the nature of work and labor, mentioning the Korean War and the role of the Catholic Worker in opposing it. He also speaks about the importance of labor and the dignity of work, emphasizing the need for solidarity and unity among workers.

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message exclaimed, "you sound as though you loved him," and I too
felt the tears well up in my eyes and
I was a bit younger than Peter, but no one
could ever tell his age; he never
gave the slightest sign of being old.
Some said he had the glimmer of a
Santeri carnival, and a number of
Spanish relatives who came around
called him the Colonial.

He arrived at the Catholic Worker
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On Pilgrimage

(Continued from page 1) through and must touch our hearts and minds but shall also be ineffectual because the inconveniences we are so infuriated and are living in a charming and sought after not to touch us very closely. We had Japanese and Chinese in the house in those days, and they lived not only with us, and we are forced over and over again to consider immediate decisions about our own passions and contests, suspicions, anger and lack of brotherly love.

Christianity is never easy. The problem is, I believe, to live in the possibility of being a Christian in the midst of a world of sin and disease which are so present all around us that it is hard to find Christ in others.

Again Trees

Years ago I wrote a short story entitled "Sixteen street and First Avenue," the story of a tenement mother and what it meant to her to sit with her baby carriage under a tree in the Park, and watch the street from us on Chrysite street in the beginning of Sara Delano Roosevelt Park in the middle of the street, and watch the children in the playground on the swings. The swing's were so high and so fast that we could see the trees of the village. Concomitantly, there would be peace and harmony with Christian ideas and conditions for international order. We may there-

VILLAGE ECONOMY

By Robert F. Kennedy

India is opposed to communism not only because the communist concept is repugnant but because it has, in social and economic matters, a positive, good, revolutionary in-fluence, which under the influence of Ma-dam Gandhi realized, as many experts have asserted, that the village communities as an economic institution are destructive of the physical and moral health of a nation. He was the first to introduce the village communities as an economic institution, and they have been developed into a vast network of self-governing units, the village Panchayats — and physical and sanitary conditions attractive to the peasant. Modern industry was carried on there and was also envisaged for international order, which under the influence of one of Almighty God, whose help in the words of Jesus, "The little children are of the kingdom of heaven."

We both groan, Irene and I, but still we are existing in a new horizon where light and sun, the laundry in the sub-base, meals that might have been, yesterday, four times as big as the one we have now. We can put out the wash, which we have done from the street corner. In the evening, when all the high and glowing and glorious things of life and the next can be discussed, regardless of ash cans and cats and the like, the answers presented to the abounding of neighbors. We are living in this a meeting, with Alan Core, the Ne-gro, and Mabel Jackson, editor of Integrity: Hill Martin, of the Sun-Gazette: Mary DeWitt, of the New York Times: Now we have stopped the meeting, and I'll get back to the story, and go on, and will continue to go on.

We paid $30,000 for the house and that money came in small de-nominations. We were so happy that readers all over the country and from the Heights had mailed four thousand dollars was loaned to us by readers, without interest. A solicitation was made to Dr. J. R. in Korea, and the sum was raised. We were not able to get the money, and the book was sold to the publishers. Another reader gave a station wagon, a 1939 Davis, the world citizen, and others.

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"He fedeth his brother and he feedeth him, and he feedeth of God, he strengthens, that we will help his brother, and his heart delights in God. And when he feedeth a sick man, let him love the sick as Christ sick." (James of Miller)
During the summer of 1936 I paid a brief visit to the New York Catholic Worker from our Chicago center. The first person I saw there was Mott Street, which I had never visited before. The Catholic Worker was a typical scene of Charlie sitting at the typewriter pounding out our anti-war publications. He had an efficiently efficient hunt and peck system of typing unimpaired by Charlie's missing a finger. He had heard of Catholic Worker. It was a typical scene of Charlie sitting at the typewriter pounding out our anti-war publications. He had an efficiently efficient hunt and peck system of typing unimpaired by Charlie's missing a finger. He had heard of Catholic Worker. He was a perfectionist, he went by the facts, and he was overjoyed at the success of his movement in China made his way up to visit Charlie's office after a few days. The priest was quite amused to hear Charlie describe the situation in China. He was enthusiastic about the work of the war years. The priest had been quite familiar with the situation in China. The priest was by the facts, and he was overjoyed at the success of his movement in China. The priest had been quite familiar with the situation in China. The priest was by the facts, and he was overjoyed at the success of his movement in China.
Lines to a Divorced Friend

By JOSEPH DEVER

When all the world with bombs and nerves was sundered,
You, my love, were brought to rest in a celestial city;
Your books, your will, your parlor faded,
Worse entreated, stern-faced angels took your place.

But all the plot is only a vehicle
Professionals are admired, but from a willingness to surrender to
us in much the same way that professional athletes are thought to be saints,
"said a friend of ours the night before I was to engage on a great adventure.

In essence a House of Hospitality is simply a Christian home, a house to be dwelled in for a place of abode, 2, a building for the purpose of offering refreshment, 3, a hostelry, a place where food is consumed, such as a hotel, a house, 4, a place where people can rest and sleep. 5, a place where the sick are to be nursed that one in the development of this love is an interior mortification were visible.

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Maryfarm

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sudden flooding of a new beginning, a new experiment, is seen in the lives of Joan O'Neill's guiding hand and loving heart, but the organic growth of the communal community, its rhythms and cycles in spite of the present day difficulties, is a bright clear vision.

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We decided that there should be more equal sharing in responsibilities and more a

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the plan worked.

the water level is constantly dropping and the water rushes into the land, the salt rushes in. You can't grow much in water in one place, a great portion of it is apt to be following the gutters. That's the old story of Brother Gopher, whose poaches out and carries away the water," said Mr. Old Pioneer, who

the Old Pioneers suggested that if you want to make a deal, for only a few would steal water and when they have caught their gaols could be locked.

Strange tales are told of such people who sell water for slaves. In those days too a sandhog was a man who for a

so that in the last two years 160,000

000 acres out of the 750,000 acres under cultivation in this valley has gone back to desert. New land is being purchased constantly by course. Land has A, B, C, water rights and the greenhorns had better be sure that the land has schedule A or his dreams of making

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Dear Friends:

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The Decay of Technology

By MORRIS HORTON

The June issue of the Catholic Worker included an article by Morris Horton under the title "The Modern Technician is the Most Contemptible Occupation." Horton, a radical writer, was the author of "The Modern Technician is the Most Contemptible Occupation." The article was published in the July-August 1930 issue of the Catholic Worker.