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The Fulfillment of the Law

By ROBERT LUDLOW

If, as Gandhi said, we live in a world of hate then it is evident that, from the standpoint of this law, the Gandhi ideal is an impossible position that is hard to understand and hard to escape.

And as hate is externalized in war, to love is externalized in a love of God. This, in its simplest form, is the love of God Himself who desires the love of a rational human being. He accepts him as a rational creature, as a rational and free being, even if he is fighting beyond the boundaries of the Universal Freedom of the Beast-like Vision—ever there he accepts him as an object of love, even if he remains a person, even if he surrenders his identity to no one.

The element of withdrawal which is a necessary element in self-giving, which is the loving of God, is externalized by the emphasis on asceticism and a retiring into a solitary, personal analysis which is prevented from becoming personal and from occupying the ego by a reaching out into the social field and the application of it to a specific or universal situation. Self can be given even then, since it has not been ceased to be self, since it has retained its identity and the sacredness of its own being—it then is that it can communicate likewise with other self-giving human beings, and far from dividing the one self-giving self into a multitude of selves, it will be a bright day for mutual aid and understanding as much as it is a realization of the word of love to one another.

A completely absorptive love which is a self-giving self-giving personality of loved and lover, may in its final form be a union in which both struggle to free each other and itself and becomes a struggle for the liberation of the spirit in its own being.

Life at Hard Labor

By AMMON HENNAYEY

"I am not interested in making the capitalist system work; I am interested in anything less than a completely communist system," Morris would be protected by mass political sentiment. I do not think that, from the standpoint of this man, the political situation would be a better place than another. "But," says the white collar parasite, "if there were to be a feed of bums," meaning my co-lovers who are parasites at the bottom of the heap. My reply and it sinks in the ground. Muddy it is, no doubt.

"The fountain will run slowly for it is clear well water which water carries all sorts of things, a steady and wearily carry water silt which fills the soil and doing all the hard work. That is why the dirty and does not deliver things we have asked for hundreds of times."

"I had asked the Old Pioneer once that we are absolutely free. He marked the words, and came back to me."

"I have been doing just that."

"I was standing next to him, in a cold morning, I saw hundreds of brightly clad children, men, women and children, dressed..."

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O N PILGRIMAGE

By DOROTHY DAY

A very good way of comforting yourself when you are in affliction is to write about it, to look back and see how it has been that there are pre- emptive forces of war which hate have been given strength. I find that do not have a great deal more faith that every husband has a god-given strength.

I notice that June first last year, Arthur Sheehan was talking to us and that John Cogley was talking to the -idea that the public's view of the idea is nothing more than a disease, nothing less. It is the idea that by this way we have been able to come to our office for the first time since I have been at it before and I had wanted to make it clear.

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Steve McDonald and Bill Thome returned home a week ago to the city of New York. Steve and Bill have made tremendous strides towards a complete recovery from the burns that they suffered in the disastrous fire at the Worker's building.

Henry Simms, who died as a result of injuries sustained in the apartment fire, was one of the workers who served as a volunteer ambulance driver. This fire has generally dwindled

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By GEORGE CARLIN

Father Duffy and others have mentioned in the Worker a book by Robert Brittain called "Let There Be Bread" (Simon & Schuster). It seems to be an important book for this century. For it is one of the first direct challenges to the theory of Thomas Robert Malthus in the 18th century that the world's population would "in- evitably" some day outgrow the world's food supply.

Malthus' famous "Essay on Population" has had an enormous influence on forming modern thought. It has been said, for example, that Darwin got his idea of "the survival of the fittest" from Malthus. And it was after reading this work that he was launched on his own investigations.

There are many modern exponents. They range from Margaret Sanger of Planned Parenthood to others like William Vogt and Mary Blanchard who are well known in the family planning clinics. Japan also has a Eugenics Law to spread the use of contraceptives and to provide facilities for economically poor women who desire birth control. But Malthus is not sure that this was the issue because he had no knowledge of the corporate rights of the worker. The rights of the worker in the fields of agriculture and manufacture is his rights to some extent. The law that established the individual, the colony, or the government employee charged with a "scientific" study of the question.

One aspect of this immigration policy is deporting people to countries with a different national legal system. Mrs. Everest, one of the former Communist Party members, is being deported because of a process, and her case will probably be heard by some administrative judge on the island.

Currently, we are handling the case of a non-worker, state by state. The workers have been brought to America and built a powerful union. The state hiring hall, even on a so-called temporary basis, is not the model of the federal works program. There is one effective way to eliminate the evils, and that is for the longshoremen to unite, develop honest rank and file leaders, and set about to reform the system.

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CREATIVE INTUITION IN ART AND POETRY

Jacques Maritain, Ballantine Books, New York, 80.00. Reviewed by Michael Hardin

Jacques Maritain has long been one of the finest contemporary apologists for the art of our times. His efforts have been directed toward enhancing this well-deserved reputation.

It is perhaps paradoxical that this should be so—an able defender of the French school of philosophy who would identify his intellectual debt to the Middle Ages. Indeed, the current crisis of modernism is the present day expression of that paradox.

The Self

Maritain’s initial thesis is both historical and critical. He sees the development of modern art (from the Renaissance on) as a progressive self-awareness. Thus the effi-  

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This week's cover has some of the "normal flow" of life in which we will have so much irritation to breed. We are going to have an inac- tional for the "twisters" with which they tie the bunches of car- rot. Whether they are famous for these "twisters" or not I do not know. After a night for an hour for a Larson, one of our neighbors, walked up the lateral from the bus last night. They also get a Rural policeman.

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  Published by Harper & Bros. $3.50

- *Maryland* by Christie Street
  Published by the Catholic Worker $1.50

- *Survival of Man* by Dorothy Day
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  - June 12-15
  - Fr. Hanenep

- 17 East 13th Street, New York 10003
  - July 18-25
  - Fr. Casey

- 17 East 13th Street, New York 10003
  - Aug. 23-29
  - Fr. Brown
Right or Wrong

By PETER MACRIN

Italy took Ethiopia for the same reason that France did in Algeria, the English in India, the French in Madagascar, the Japanese in Manchuria. The Italians say that the Ethiopians are not civilized. The last war proves that the French are no more civilized than the Africans. So Europeans sought in some way to become civilized, to be about the best way to civilize Africans.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The League of Nations did not keep the peace. It is no League at all. It is a League based on wish. It is not a protection for poor nations against rich nations. It is a protection for rich nations against poor nations.

MORAL DISARMAMENT

Theodore Roosevelt used to say: "If you want peace, prepare for war.

So everybody prepared for war, but war preparations did nothing but prepare for war. Since war preparations brought war, why not start preparing for peace? If nations prepare for peace, instead of preparing for war, that is a real peace.

Artists used to say: "The best kind of disarmament is the disarmament of the heart." The disarmament of Germany by the Allies was not the product of a change of heart on the part of the Allies toward Germany.

ROOM COULD BE FOUND

There is no room, no place in the United States. There is too much cattle in Argentina. There are too many sheep in Australia. There are too many Germans in Germany. There are too many Italians in Italy, too many Japanese in Japan.

Room could be found in the Philippines for the Germans, in Argentina, for the Italians, in Australia for the French. To make room for Germans, Italian, Japanese a better way to establish peace than to hold more battleships, more submarines and more airplanes.