

LET'S TRY GOD AND MARY!

WHY?

Korea? . . . Third World War? . . . Atomic Attack? . . . Economic Chaos? . . .
Communistic Conquest of the World?

Human efforts alone, no matter how praiseworthy, have utterly failed to secure peace — Atlantic Charter, peace pacts, Security Council notwithstanding. It is pointless to sit on the edge of your bed and lament the sorry state of the world today.

Well-filled chapels, record-breaking number of confessions, communions, daily assistance at Mass are not enough. Such statistics do not in themselves prove that *all* is well with your state of religion, or that you can relax your efforts and expect to conquer Communism without personal sacrifice and initiative.

Probe your conscience. Examine it well. To what extent has the spirit of our age — secularism — with all its materialistic and despiritualizing influences infiltrated your Catholic awareness? To what great lengths have the world, the flesh and the devil gone to undermine and stealthily turn away your heart from a God-centered way of life, from an active faith strong enough and articulate enough to weather the impending storm?

It is the way of Christ and His mother "to do something about it." He said: "Without me you can do nothing. . . . If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you shall say to this mountain: remove from hence hither, and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible to you."

Notre Dame pilgrimites knelt at Mary's shrine at Fatima and prayed the rosary together. Awful and frightening words of Our Lady came to mind. They concern your future and that of the entire world.

"I am the Lady of the Rosary. . . . I have come to warn the faithful to amend their lives and to ask pardon for their sins. . . . I have come to ask the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart. . . . If my requests are granted, Russia will be converted and there will be peace.

"If not, she (Russia) will scatter her errors throughout the world, provoking wars and persecutions of the Church. . . . The good will be martyred, the Holy Father will have much to suffer, and various nations will be destroyed."

"Darkest Hour in History Since the Deluge"

Not long after the close of the last war, the Holy Father warned: "Men must prepare themselves for suffering such as mankind has never seen. . . . The sands of time are running out as mankind faces its moment of decision — self-destruction or survival."

Now is the time for prayer and penance. *Now* is the time for the Rosary. *Now* is the time for daily Mass and Communion. *Now* is the time for action. *Now* is the time to try God and Mary. Indeed, *now* is the time before it is too little and too late.