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Hear Mr. Lunn Tuesday,  
8, Washington Hall, on  
"Communism, The Peril."  
Ill, Charles Orshinski.

In The Business Of Doing Good.

".....Members of the Notre Dame Conference, St. Vincent de Paul Society, at their meeting Sunday, voted to contribute fifteen dollars (\$15.00)....for the construction of the statue of Christ the King in the city of Washington.....Realizing that such a monument will be for all time a symbol of our great faith, and also being aware of the significance of such a memorial as being a noble phase of Catholic Action, we have voted this substantial sum.....Trusting that other campus organizations and clubs will follow suit, I am v.s.y., John McClurg, Executive Secretary."

Congratulations and thanks, St. Vincent de Paul! Once you see real good to be done, it doesn't take you long to make up your mind to do it. Other campus clubs and organizations, a suggestion is made to you!

Badin (with \$15), Carroll (with an additional \$7.82), Dillon (with \$7.81 and more to come) are the latest to hand in money for the statue to honor Christ. Sorin, Walsh, Howard, Lyons, and Old Infirmary, are, evidently, still at work. Please hurry, so that final results of the campus canvass may soon be published.

"Science May Some Day Explain Miracles."

Question VIII. How do you know that these miracles will not be explained some day by Science?

Answer. The question at issue is whether certain phenomena in the world around us are due to natural agencies or to supernatural agencies. Every century and every race has contributed to the obstinate residuum of phenomena inexplicable except on the assumption that some non-human will has been at work. The available evidence compels this conclusion. Our adversaries who have been beaten all along the line now proceed to draw blank checks on the future. "Gentlemen of the Jury, please keep your seats for a thousand years and the explanation which I need to convince you will turn up."

But you and I are only in this world for a limited number of years and must make up our mind on the evidence at our disposal. And that evidence all but compels us to believe in the occasional miraculous events which testify to the existence of supernatural intelligences capable of producing unusual effects in the natural order (A definition which covers miracles produced both by good spirits and by bad).

If you were to see a modern saint carrying her head in her hand, you might reasonably assume that you were dreaming. But it would be unreasonable to assert of this modern St. Denys that science would one day explain the apparent miracle and prove that under certain curious pathological circumstances the body could survive decapitation.

It is not the job of a Christian to disprove beyond all possibility of doubt any alternative hypothesis, however fantastic, to the Christian hypothesis. It is our duty to make up our mind on the available evidence and to return a verdict in accordance with that evidence.

Question IX. That's all right, but lots of things which we know are not miracles would have seemed miraculous to the primitive men. Wireless, for instance. Telopathy which is sometimes cited as a fact which destroys materialism may be a form of wireless communication between minds. "In primitive societies all phenomena not understood, e.g., all non-violent deaths," as Professor Haldane remarks in Science and the Supernatural, page 247, "are put down to the activity of spirits. As knowledge increases, more and more of them are explained in other ways. There are now rather few left over in which the intervention of spirits is in the least plausible. God would seem to function only in the gaps of our knowledge and as those gaps slowly decrease, with advancing scientific knowledge, God gradually gets squeezed out."

PRAYERS: (deceased) L. Steinrock; aunt of Charles Carroll (Morr.); uncle of Leo J. Hofschneider, '36. Ill, Catherine McGroarty; Father Brown's brother; Henry Hickey.