

Mass Friday of the
Season, p. 596. --Mr.
Lunn's meeting on Birth
Control, 8, law bldg. tonight.

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SPECIAL: Message from Mrs.
Rockae: "Knute's roommate
drowned. Request prayers
recovery body."

Dispensation For Saturday.

Saturday, vigil of All Saints, is, regularly, a day of fast and abstinence throughout the country, but thanks to a dispensation granted by the Most Reverend Bishop of Fort Wayne, all out-of-town guests eating on the campus, as well as faculty members, students, and employees of the University are freed from both the fast and abstinence.

The spirit of the vigil--the spirit of penance in preparation for the feast--should be observed as much as possible. Everyone should take upon himself some act of self-denial to be worthy of a share in the blessings and joys of the feast of All Saints the following day.

As Science Advances Are Miracles Vanishing?
By Arnold Lunn.

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....."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."

Answer. If phenomena can be divided into those which are due to supernatural agencies and those which can be explained by natural causes, what should we expect to find? We should expect to make occasional mistakes in classifying borderline phenomena, and we should expect primitive peoples to classify as supernatural many things which a more scientific age would assign to natural causes. But it is difficult to see why developments which are inevitable if the supernatural be a reality should be solemnly trotted out as an argument against the reality of the supernatural. This "argument" stripped of unnecessary detail boils down to this. If A is true, B must happen. But B does happen, therefore A is untrue. The fact that a savage would have incorrectly diagnosed a radio as miraculous is no excuse for modern scientists incorrectly diagnosing a Lourdes miracle as a natural phenomenon.

The greater the accuracy of our scientific classification the greater our confidences in the reality of that solid core of supernatural events which have defied natural explanation throughout the ages. Moreover, the process of transferring phenomena from one class to another, from the supernatural to the natural, is not a one-way process. Belief in the supernatural represented the climax of this process, for materialism was an attempt to transfer all supernatural phenomena to the natural category. But materialism is dead today and the nakedness of the materialistic idol cannot be disguised by the fig leaf "dialectical." You can't save the materialism which dialectics has destroyed by rechristening it dialectical materialism.

The false analogy between telepathy and wireless calls for an answer. Sound waves obey the law of the inverse square. It is nine times as difficult to hear if you are three times as distant. Telepathic communication does not seem to vary much with distance. It obeys no known physical law, and there is nothing to suggest any analogy between telepathy and any form of physical wave in the air or in the ether.

Question X. Well, let's take a particular miracles. What's the evidence for the Resurrection? (Before considering this question, reflect that of all questions there is none to which the Christian should be readier to reply. Whether we have or have not a vocation for apologetics, we should at least be able to defend the cornerstone of our Faith.)

Sorin doesn't fool! With a \$30 donation Sorin leads all other halls in contributions to the Washington statue. What's wrong with Lyons and Old Infirmary?

PRAYERS: (deceased) relative of Mike Scully (Alum.); Dr. Frederick A. Erb, friend of Jerry Kano (Morr.). Ill, friend of Jack Monteverde (Dillon).