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"When there is much desire to learn, there of necessity must be much arguing, much writing, many opinions; for opinion in good men is but knowledge in the making."

--- John Milton

A CHRISTIAN AND SOCIAL ETHICS

by Dr. Edward John Carnell

Social ethics deals with the question of just relations between members of a group. When an individual is treated justly, he experiences a sense of dignity and well-being; when he is treated unjustly, he does not. Thus, the white man's shameful dealings with the Negro can serve as a fertile field of investigation for the student of social ethics.

This may be well and good, but how does it affect the Christian worker? Shouldn't such a worker devote himself exclusively to the cause of the gospel?

These questions cannot be answered until a very important distinction is made. Apart from the light cast by such a distinction, we may confuse the duties of the church with the duties of an individual member of the church. Every church member, whether or not he is ordained to preach the gospel, must associate with other human beings; and to the degree of this association he is part of a social order. Such membership carries responsibility.

The duties of the church include (1) the preaching and defense of the gospel; (2) the comforting and edifying of believers; and (3) the providing of help for the needy. The substance of these duties is in no way altered by the kind of society of which the church happens to be a part.

The duties of an individual member of the church include (1) a wholehearted support of everything that falls within the cause of the gospel; and (2) a wholehearted support of everything that falls within the cause of justice. Whenever a believer downgrades justice, he offends the whole counsel of God. "Thus says the Lord God...Put away violence and oppression, and execute justice and righteousness." (Ezek. 45:9). The interest of the gospel and the interests of justice are not barbed incompatibles; they are gentle moral correlative.

If it is disturbing to see liberals neglect the gospel in their attempt to promote justice, it is no less disturbing to see conservatives neglect justice in their attempt to promote the gospel. The one should be done, and the other not left undone.

Conservatives should remember that God is righteous in his very

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DR. EDWARD JOHN CARNELL is Professor of Ethics and Philosophy of Religion at P.T.S.
This issue of the opinion is making its appearance one week early in order to be of use before Election Day. Dr. Carnell's article (A Christian and Social Ethics) has implications for the Christian's responsibility of voting for his leaders in America. Eric Johnson (From Red to Brown) presents the case for the Democratic Party. At the request of the paper (due to many refusals by others!) Ralph Wright (Towards a Responsible Government) represents the Republicans. Remember to exercise your privilege. Vote on November 6th.

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ETHICS (con't.)

essence. The atonement of Jesus Christ was heaven's answer to the just requirements of the law (Cf. Romans 3:25-26, 8:4, etc.). Hence, the more we honor just relations, the more we bear witness to the divine image in us. Justice is a child of love, and love is the queen of Christian virtues.

Conservatives must also be careful not to define saving faith too narrowly. Whenever we fitly believe on the name of Jesus Christ, we actually surrender every part of our life to the will of the Lord. Nothing is exempted from this majestic relationship. "We destroy arguments and every proud obstacle to the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ" (II Cor. 10:5).

Since the lordship of Christ accompanies the initial act of saving faith, the pursuit of justice ought to be as natural as the founding of missions or Sunday Schools. It so happens that a truly workable social ethic is structured on the disclosures and graces of the gospel itself. The highest criteria of righteousness flow from the very person of Christ. "No mere humanitarian sentiment of brotherhood can compare with devotion to the Living Christ, either in the range or the effectiveness of the appeal. It is the claim of Christ's gospel that it offers the most effective means the world has ever seen for influencing men personally and individually, by upholding an ideal for all to admire and to desire to imitate, an ideal which is so high that none can attain to it perfectly, and that yet lies so near that all may aim at it in every action of life" (W. Cunningham, Christianity and the Social Question, pp. 182-183).

Concern for justice is a clear sign that the love of Christ is actively at work within the heart of a believer, and it is by the cords of love that lost souls are drawn to consider the claims of the gospel. If a believer deliberately hinders the cause of justice, he may so outrage the lost that crucial opportunities to present the gospel will be surrendered.

Therefore, whenever a believer is afforded an opportunity to advance the cause of justice, let him seize this opportunity with all his might. But let him never be deceived into thinking that a citizen's crusade for justice will result in such pleasant utopian conditions that society can dispense with the church's preaching of the gospel. The regeneration of the social order, if we may use such language, awaits the blessed return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
Election campaigns in the United States (as well as in other countries) have become a battle of personalities rather than a confrontation of political philosophies and issues. The 1962 campaign in California reflects this situation. During the last six months much has been written in the newspapers concerning the various claims and counterclaims made by the two leading candidates. Yet the issues appear just as muddled as ever. This short treatise attempts to explain the issues as seen through the eyes of a subjective Republican.

The Republican Party stands for the individual. Therefore, the purpose of government is to protect the individual's life, to secure his rights, and to adjust and regulate the conflicts which arise in his public activities. Its purpose is not to determine what is best for every citizen but to allow for the freest possible development of the human personality.

Carrying this into the area of practical policies, the Republican Party stands firmly in support of anti-discrimination laws, equal employment and housing opportunities, and the right for all children, regardless of race, creed or color, to an education. The party also firmly supports the concept of personal responsibility in the broad field of social welfare. The aim of all assistance in this area should be to help the recipient to help himself. Under Republican administrations California developed progressive, humane programs in the field of health, welfare and social insurance that commanded nationwide respect. Today the excesses of this program are known throughout California. In the past two years the welfare budget has increased 40% while the population has increased by only 7%. A more efficient program, administered closely on the local level (yet conscious of and sympathetic to the problems that this involves) is supported in the Platform of the Republican Party.

The philosophy of the individual also makes itself known in Republican policies for our economy. If California, the fastest growing state in the country, is to remain one of the top states in the nation in regard to per capita income and the standard of living, her economic climate must be changed. Free enterprise must be encouraged in areas where it is best suited while keeping inefficient bureaucratic government to a minimum. The present business climate has discouraged new industry and has caused certain existing firms to depart for other states. This is evidenced by the fact that New York built 3 times as many new plants as California last year. California needs to follow New York's lead in pay-as-you-go financing if it is to attract enough industry to provide new jobs for its 1,500 new citizens each day. The state budget needs revision, for while in the past four years tax collections have increased 42.5%, the population is up only 15.5%. This is in face of the fact that California's outstanding bonded indebtedness ($1.8 billion) is the highest in the nation.

The California Republican Party will provide the leadership to bring to California an administration dedicated to defending the rights of the individual and for providing an economic climate that will increase the living standards of all her citizens.

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FROM RED TO BROWN

by Eric Johnson

Mr. Nixon has become an evangelist, as evidenced by the emotional appeal of his campaigning. As one lady commented after listening intently to him at Chico: "Wasn't that exciting? It was just like a revival meeting." (Life, Vol. '53, No. 16 (October 19, 1962), p. 54) Throughout California Mr. Nixon's clairvoyant cell is ringing: a "three-pronged" program of investigation, legislation, and indoctrination in the public schools. Thus California would have the best control over Communism in the United States; this was the declaration re-emphasizing this "three-pronged" program at Chico. In another speech Mr. Nixon said, "We need an offensive to fight Communism not only in Washington, but right here in California." (New York Times, October 20, 1962, p. 3) Mr. Nixon has discovered that local interest is centered around the discussion of Communism in California; this was a result of his spurious anti-Communism campaign enabling him to defeat Helen Gahagan Douglas for the United States Senate in 1950.

Mr. Nixon draws votes from the conservatives; they will condone him on the basis of his anti-Communist policies and his attitude toward Krushchev and the Cuban issue. The liberals claim him due to his anti-Birch sentiment. In this campaign, however, he has already suffered a rebuttal from the president of the University of California, Dr. Clark Kerr. Dr. Kerr announced that the president and regents of the University of California, not the governor, had the final ruling on who would and who would not speak on the campus. Thus Mr. Nixon's aspirations for prohibiting an individual who had taken the Fifth Amendment from speaking on the campuses of this University were curtailed.

Mr. Nixon is a shrewd politician. In addition to his over-emphasis on anti-Communism, he attempts to persuade "Mr. Western" to return to his "heritage." Because "Mr. 'western" is emotionally committed to individualism and has an abhorrence for federal intervention, Mr. Nixon has sounded the clarion call for the return to individual initiative.

The West has always been a land of opportunity and has encouraged individual initiative, but the changing complexion of California requires unity of action among individuals. For example, sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas, California will outstrip New York by becoming the most heavily populated state in the Union, and will then send thirty-eight representatives to the Eighty-eighth Congress. Consequently California will play an increasingly major role in the 1964 national conventions of both political parties. It is apparent, then, that the gubernatorial race is a vital one.

The problems that California will face in the future as a result of the population explosion, have been summed up succinctly by the Saturday Review, October 20, 1962: urban sprawl, traffic congestion, air pollution, and water shortage. These issues demand teamwork which calls for leadership. Which candidate can meet this challenge?

Mr. Brown's program has aptly been called a "bread and butter" program, and the development of such a program is reflected in his record of twelve years of service to the state. California leads in

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agriculture, soon will be first in industry, and has an over-all per capita income of about 25% above the national average. Mr. Brown has instituted an adequate water program supported by the largest bond issue ever submitted to the voter. The Stanford Research Institute concurred with Mr. Brown's policies when it announced that the water shortage would prove the simplest to solve of the four major physical crises in California. In the past Mr. Brown has provided the leadership that enables individuals in California to work as a team. In the future, team work and Mr. Brown's leadership, rather than Nixon's evangelistic fervor, will be needed to meet the continuing challenge of California.

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DURING A PAUSE IN FREUD

by Al Cash

And while the long, perplexed giant stalks carefully back and forth across the classroom floor, skillfully articulating the swirling mass of conflict underneath his buttoned and gold-chained vest, I latch onto the phrase "we are victims as well as agents." During the epochal pause which follows (his eyebrows scrunched in anxiety, his lips slightly drawn), my own mind skips, without skill and articulation to three victims I have known. Three grand tragedies. An old ghost comes creeping in: "Maybe that's what existence really is; maybe the tear is the only legitimate response to life."

Clyde Griffiths slides out of Dreiser's An American Tragedy in all his pathetic reality. Clyde—with fanatical street evangelist parents back home in Kansas, with a pregnant sister whose salesman-husband is no longer around to give the tender attention she craves. Clyde—with a sensitive desire to be somebody, to have something, to get somewhere. Clyde—with a deep burning to be close to someone. I can't blame him when he gets more and more involved with the simple little country girl, Roberta. Nor can I blame his conflict when the wealthy Sondra makes her overture. Just when he feels that Sondra can solve all his problems, prestige and biological, Roberta, who has become quite a millstone, announces her pregnancy and desire to marry. I understand his murder plan, an animal instinct to destroy that which lies between him and bliss.

I understand the hopeless feeling in the celler of his heart when a cut-and-dry court calls him guilty of a crime that he didn't actually commit—on circumstantial evidence. I cannot understand the pathos at the end, Clyde as a lamb being led to the electric chair, having "reconfessed" a "faith" in Christ, while back on the sultry Kansas City main street Mr. Griffiths was saying "praise the Lord" and ushering a small company into the yellow, unpromising door...."

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AL CASH received his B.A. from the University of Virginia in 1959 and is a middler at F.T.S.
In the most significant novel of the 20's, The Great Gatsby, F. Scott Fitzgerald paints Jay Gatsby chasing the wisp of a first love through a war and half-way across a country only to find her married to a jerk with nothing but money. I see her, Daisy, fed up with meaningless, intervening years, realizing that they can't "pick up where they left off." But Gatsby, who has moved just across a little bay from her where he watches the green light on her dock, can't believe that time has actually been passing. He can't accept the fact that the elaborate scheme to recapture his Eden has failed. We see him finally—face down in his swimming pool with a bullet in his head. He couldn't stop time, he couldn't pour meaning into an empty existence. The language of the author himself is necessary here. "And as I sat there brooding on the old, unknown world, I thought of Gatsby's wonder when he first picked out the green light at the end of Daisy's dock. He had come a long way to this blue lawn, and his dream must have seemed so close that he could hardly fail to grasp it. He did not know that it was already behind him, somewhere back in that vast obscurity beyond the city, where the dark fields of the republic rolled on under the night.

"Gatsby believed in the green light, the orgiastic future that recedes before us. It eluded us then, but that's no matter—tomorrow we will run faster, stretch out our arms farther...And one fine morning—"

"So we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the past." (the dots are Fitzgerald's, not mine.)

Ernest Hemingway is to be blamed for my third friend, Jake Barnes in The Sun Also Rises. Jake is a strong, noble sort of a human, except that the war has left him emasculated. Lady Brett is the delightfully over-sexed object of his frustration. So why do they love each other? why does Jake have to wake up and cry at night because he has sent Brett out to release her femininity in another bed? What is life for Jake? Contrary to what many learned critics say, I know that Jake is here a symbol of our ancestors whom Gertrude Stein dubbed the "lost generation." Contrary to those who seek salvation in Hemingway, I find a cosmic frustration here. When I read the last lines of this book, I feel that I need to say something to Jake but have no words. Here are those sentences in which some claim to find a rising sun:

"Oh Jake,' Brett said,'we could have had such a damned good time together."

"Ahead was a mounted policeman in khaki directing traffic. He raised his baton. The car slowed suddenly pressing Brett against me. "Yes,' I said. 'Isn't it pretty to think so?'"

My mind is flooded with a host of figures, my little daughters being shaped by forces of which I am unaware. They are facing a world of anxiety and frustration of which they are unaware. I think of frozen pagans going to bed hungry and unloved.

I think of myself standing before a congregation of Clydes, Gatsbys and Jakes trying to say something about "Justification by Faith."

The giant's eyebrows level, his shoulders straighten and he resumes his measured pace across the room, "...and one of the biggest sins we can commit is thinking that the self is a simple thing..."

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HOUSING AND EMPLOYMENT

Housing and employment, long two of the troublesome problems facing Fuller students, have been alleviated to some extent since 1960. The 1960-61 Student Council established the present system of one student devoting 8-10 hours a week to secure adequate housing and employment for students. The Student Council Office, in the east (rear) room of 190 N. Oakland, is open for consultation between 2:15 and 3:15 P.M. Monday - Friday.

Many are probably curious about the procedure to follow. All incoming opportunities - housing or employment - are posted opposite the Bookstore and are kept as up to date as possible. Each opening is numbered, the "H" series applying to housing and the "Job" series to employment. Housing notices are provided with complete information; consult the director only if you have questions or information regarding availability (already taken, taken by yourself, etc.). Employment notices bear only descriptive information; details as to location, employer, etc., must be obtained from the director. This enables him to have control over the jobs as well as keeping him posted on the current status of employment opportunities.

Most jobs are part-time, many being concerned with gardening and miscellany. There are some of a more permanent nature. Should you be seeking this type of employment please inform me as well as maintaining a careful surveillance of the bulletin board.

A few hints: most jobs communicated to this office are of rather low pay, seldom over $2.00 per hour, and usually $1.50. Pasadena boasts little industry or other commerce which would advance the availability of part-time employment at higher wages; few jobs of less than ten or more than twenty hours per week are available (except gardening and housework); few jobs provide opportunity for study during working hours; and nearly all jobs require some form of transportation as they are not within easy walking distance.

Let me add some notes on the ethics of the pursuit of housing and employment. Should you accept a job from the employment director, please report to him, as soon as possible, the result of your investigation, especially if you decline the position. Employers are seldom impressed by confusion or irresponsibility, and we cannot afford to lose any prospective employers. Further, should you arrange a meeting with a landlord or employer, either keep the appointment or give him ample notice of your inability to do so. There have been several complaints of students failing to meet scheduled appointments. Please do not commit yourself to a job that is beyond your capability in time or talent. If there is a job that requires more of you than you are prepared to offer, let honesty rather than expediency determine your answer.

In conclusion, several local department stores are now engaging part-time help for the holiday season, but require that the employee work at least part-time from now until vacation. Post Office applicants probably will not be notified of action on their bids for several weeks. There will be other full-time holiday jobs announced in the near future. Be sure to watch the bulletin board!

Please be sure to communicate to this office any suggestions you may have regarding this service and its improvement. Meanwhile, good hunting!

Charles Landon
Student Director of
Housing and Employment
FROM PASADENA

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to thank the entire student body for their participation in this year’s Student Loyalty Crusade. As many of you could tell, we had some fun working together on this campaign—perhaps because we all have a common belief in the goals of the Seminary.

Two hundred students responded to the financial need of the school. This is an impressive display of the unity found among a student body as diverse in character as ours.

Your prayers and your gifts are sincerely appreciated by all who have Fuller's welfare at heart.

Thank you,
Em Griffin

FROM PARIS

Many thanks for your letter and copy of the opinion. I think the article on the Ecumenical Council is very timely and have no significant comments to make, except I wonder if every facet and school of thought in the Roman Catholic Church is represented. My reading up of the newspaper reports of the Council is somewhat hindered by my lack of ability in French, but so far as I have noted the members of the Council are all in the hierarchy, are they not? I have wondered if the University men - the professors - are there. To me, they are the ones, especially men like the faculty at the Catholic Institute here at Paris. They are the ones who are the most liberal and open.

Yours cordially,
Paul K. Jewett
(Professor of Systematic Theology at F.T.S.)
IT'S ME IN HERE UNDER THE TENT

by Alice Wilson

Elephants circle trunk to tail
And tigers turn to butter.
Watching I stand by the water pail
The band plays, the banners flutter
While faces anemone-pale raise cries
That reach the tent top but not the skies.

Someone has scratched in the sawdust
LORD JESUS HIM WILL I TRUST
Where lately laughed the clowns now prayers
Come forth from every face ..and hymns
While the lions feast on Christian limbs.

They have changed the tent to transcept.
Holy priest and deacon juggle Host.
Where once the leopards leapt
Sing Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Down in the stalls the straw is cleaned
And I take my place with the redeemed.

Down by the river they sing
Fish, pale-bellied in the dark
Many waters down they bring
Their scales against my skin, mark
With fins my sin-filled eyes, my cries
Reach river edge but not the skies.

It's me in here under the tent
Nights and days in the ring I've spent.
The canvas makes a windy shroud
With the animals gone and the crowd
Still roaring around the river, calling
The sinners ..Oh, ye lost, repent
Under the water leads back to the tent
Where the daring young man on the flying trapeze
Fell through the air....
Does anyone know if they're going to take the tent down
Or put on another show?
Because it's me in here under the tent
And I want to know.

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SONNET TO THE BLIND CHRISTIAN MUSICIANS OF HONG KONG
by Anthony Yu

A gross mistake would life be found were there
No music in our sphere—so wrote the sage.
But pipes and sounds were granted Adam's heir
To soothe our soul, console the anxious age.
Play on, therefore, ye noble, true and brave!
With skill unloose thy deft Miltonic tongue
In words sublime born on melodious wave
To flood the world with anthems timely sung;
To praise the One who leaves us not alone.

Men, having eyes, oft' miss Golgotha's site.
Thou hast no sight, yet truer vision own:
Earth's dismal woes cloud not the eternal Light.
One broken reed in veneration sings,
Makes glad the Maker than ten thousand strings!

August, 1960

FLIES IN THE REFECTORY

It has been brought to the attention of the opinion that extra proteins have been made available in the refectory. This has been caused by students leaving open the two end doors of the refectory which has resulted in an influx of insects. Become accustomed to mission field procedure now by closing all doors and making it a point to use the center door which automatically closes.