Machines Causing Vague Uneasiness

By CARDINAL McGUIGAN

A machine only is a machine because it cannot think. This truism was written by G.K. Chesterton in the first decade of the present century. Today, seemingly a long time removed from 1910, it remains a comforting thought, giving man confidence in his singularity.

But there are two sides to everything, as the master of paradox knew so well. The other aspect of this statement rests in the reason for its being said. Chesterton had created a character that so mechanically did his mind work that his "mercy seemed colder than injustice."

Paradoxically, in spite of protestations that it is brainless materialism to call such a man a "thinking machine," Chesterton had in fact created a human character who behaved like a machine. This is pertinent to our epoch when machines are behaving like men.

Most of us know about automation. We are aware of it because it is nothing new. It is simply a term applied to the workings of a mechanism containing within itself the cause of its motion.

In 400 BC Archytas of Tarentum is said to have made a wooden pigeon that flew. The middle ages have abundant records of automation. Clock movements are a form of automation.

We know too that automation ushered in the initial phase of the industrial revolution by substituting machine strength for man strength.

INVASION

Today we suffer a vague uneasiness because the machines are making new invasions. Having replaced man's physical power they are now replacing his brain power.

Already we feel the economic effects of this mechanical incursion.

Job classifications both white and blue collar begin to disappear because machines can do the simple "think" work better and faster and without coffee breaks.

Still we are being lulled by the siren songs that tell us the machines will create more jobs which means greater prosperity and supposedly signifies progress.

Closer to everyday concerns we find the lathe operator disappearing from the factory floor because one computer can set up and control numerous lathes.

INITIATIVE

Still at least one human being is involved in the processing or feeding of the machine. The machine does not originate thought. But machines that can count, correlate and remember may also "become teachable, acquire experience and take initiative."

Are machines human? Of course not! The machines only simulate human behavior. They are copies of human intelligence.

Still, though non-human, the machines are capable of dehumanizing man because they usurp the basis for human uniqueness — thought.

This is the prime problem of man. With machines invading the hitherto sovereign area of thought and reason we see a great challenge for the highly intelligent few in the maintenance and programing of the machines as well as an opportunity for the commercially aggressive to exploit them for their own advantage.

SURRENDER

The very thing challenged by the machines is the mind and the mind is the thing human beings seem most willing to surrender.

It would seem that man is quite willing to surrender his uniqueness to the machine. Since thought is difficult let the machine do it.

If this is done, what human thing is left for man to do?

It is time for the theologian, the philosopher and the student of literature who has lived with the words of human genius to be recalled from their ghettos.

It is not the "how" of things that is now vital but the "why."

How can the machines provide us with the proper answers if we do not ask the proper questions?

Time is running out and the machines are running fast. Man's job is a human one. He cannot destroy the machines without regressing. He must understand both the machine and man.

He must employ the mechanics of the machine and the humanity of man, keeping in mind always that the human dilemma is for man to maintain his humanness.

Distorted Statements

NEW YORK (AP)—A three-year study by Roman Catholic educationists found that Catholic religion textbooks normally paint up virtues of racial and ethnic groups, but often contain negative and distorted statements in reference to specific non-Catholic religious groups.

The self - analysis conducted in St. Louis University, a Jesuit school, also found that the texts were overwhelmingly positive in their approach to general intergroup teachings dealing with "all men."

"But negative and distorted statements are found to be more prevalent in reference to Protestants, Jews and other specific non-Catholic religious groups," the report said.

The results of the study were announced jointly Saturday by Rev. Paul C. Reinert, president of St. Louis University, and Morris B. Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee.

A similar Protestant self-study project, conducted recently at Yale University divinity school, showed that racial and ethnic groups were more positively portrayed in Protestant textbooks than other religious groups.

Queen To Head JFK Memorial

LONDON (Reuters) — Queen Elizabeth is to lead the British people in raising a fund of £1,000,000 ($3,000,000) for a memorial to the late U.S. President Kennedy.

Her intention of making a personal financial contribution to the fund was announced by London's lord mayor, Alderman James Harman, when he launched the Kennedy memorial appeal here.

Main aim of the appeal is to set up a trust fund to provide scholarships in the U.S. for young men and women from Britain.

The three selected educational centres for the scholarships are Harvard University, Radcliffe College and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In addition, a memorial plinth and steps are to be erected on a site at Runnymede on the River Thames — where the Magna Carta was signed.

SWITCHED TO CORDITE

Until the Boer War, gunpowder remained the sole ammunition of armies, which then began replacing it with cordite, a smokeless explosive.

Family Visit

They'll be here any minute! As soon as I finish the flowers I'll go and sit with Dad on the front porch, so we'll be right there when they all drive in. It'll be just wonderful to see them again.

Dad and I were saying last night that we couldn't have been blessed with better children or lovelier grandchildren. We've been so fortunate. Of course, there have been some tragic and terrible times, but God has never failed to give us the strength to meet them, and the courage to go on again.

We've always been a churchgoing family, and I know the children never miss a Sunday even now. Tomorrow we'll all go to church together, and it will seem like the old days when our family was still here at home. We have so much to thank God for, every one of us.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
II Samuel 22:21-31	I Chronicles 28:1-10	Psalms 71:1-6	Isaiah 46:3-11	Jeremiah 31:7-14	II Corinthians 12:1-10	Hebrews 1:5-14

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The Christian and Leisure — ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Scripture—Matthew 6:33; Mark 6:30-32; I Corinthians 6:12-14, 19, 20; Philippians 4:8.

The supreme objective of life is laying up treasure in heaven. Thus, everything we do, in our labor and leisure, should be for the sake of the kingdom of God.—Matthew 6:33.

The need for rest from daily routine is as important today as it was in Jesus' time, when He made His disciples rest their tired bodies and minds periodically.—Mark 6:30-32.

Paul warns against using leisure time in unholy pursuits. Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit and are not to be immorally used.—I Corinthians 6:12-14, 19, 20.

To be strong in God's presence, we should let right, in all its practical, noble forms, be the subject of our thoughts.—Philippians 4:8.

MEMORY VERSE:—"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or what soever ye do, do all to the glory of God."—1 Corinthians 10:31.

MEETS GOD'S APPROVAL

Labor, Leisure Becomes Unified

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By R.H. RAMSEY

Of all the objectives we have in life there is only one that will last throughout life, bringing continued joy in this life and the life to come. That is doing everything for the sake of the kingdom of God.

This is the primary objective of life: Laying not up on earth, but laying up in heaven. And this means longing to do, and doing, only those things which are in harmony with God's righteousness, that would meet with His fullest approval; a true yielding to God's will, asking Him to make the longing real and deep and abiding in us. Thus, every area of our complicated existence — our labor and our leisure — becomes unified, with one supreme objective.

Jesus stresses the need for rest from our daily routine in the assigned verses from Mark. Prior to this time, Jesus and His disciples had been teaching in the synagogue and healing the sick, followed by the same ministry in surrounding villages. Then Jesus sent the disciples forth in pairs to do a similar work. Thus, for some time, Christ and the disciples had been engaged in a considerable period of hard work. There had been much coming and going, with little time for leisure.

When the disciples had gathered once more, Jesus takes them with Him to a separate place where they rest a while. This was not a rest for their bodies alone; it was a rest for their tired minds. Jesus was very much aware that, without periodic rest, a nervous collapse could occur. How much more necessary is this need for rest today, what with the abnormal speed at which we work and the pressures of modern living.

What we do with our leisure depends largely upon our tastes, financial means and the amount of time we have. Obviously, if we are to follow Christ's admonition to do everything for the sake of the kingdom of God, we are not to spend our leisure time in unholy pursuits.

Paul is most specific on this point in his first letter to the Corinthians. Of all the cities he ministered to on his missionary journeys, none was so immoral as Corinth. It was completely given over to the worship of Aphrodite, the goddess of sexual love, and its very atmosphere for centuries was saturated with the degrading practices attendant to the worship of the goddess. Inevitably, this situation drew repeated rebuke and discipline from Paul.

Although every morally indifferent thing is as lawful for Paul as it is for the layman, he does not indulge himself because he has dedicated his life and body to Christ. So, too, the Corinthian Christians. Their bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, instruments for the service of God, and as such, should not be misused through immorality. We were all bought with a price, he warns, the blood of Christ. And because we have been redeemed at such a price, we should glorify God, honoring Him with our bodies and our service.

In the eighth verse, fourth chapter of Paul's letter to the Philippians, we have one of the loftiest statements of man's mental life to be found in all literature, with objectives we may well continue to seek as long as we live.

The reference is to those things which correspond with the deep, unchanging truths of the moral universe, as revealed in Jesus Christ. We are admonished to think only of true honorable, just, pure, lovely, good things. We are to let right, in all its practical, noble forms be the subject of our thoughts. Thus we are strong, not in ourselves, but in God's presence, peace and strength.

69,468 Get Citizenship

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian citizenship certificates were granted to 69,468 persons last year compared with 72,082 in 1962, the bureau of statistics has reported.

That brought to 644,989 the number of persons who changed their allegiance to Canada from other countries during the 1954-63 decade.

In those 10 years, 1,286,510 persons immigrated to Canada.

Of the new citizenship certificates last year, 16 per cent went to former citizens of Commonwealth countries, 15 per cent to former Italian citizens, 15 per cent to former German citizens and six per cent to former Netherlands citizens.

Billy Graham - Joe Blinco
CRUSADE
Class Sunday 2:30 P.M.

Dr. Basil Brown
Instructor

Sunday 2:30 P.M.
Cornwall United Church
Monday 7:45 P.M.
First Baptist Church
Charlottetown
Tuesday 7:45
Park Royal United Church
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Crusade dates
Charlottetown . . . . June 7-14
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Charlottetown Bible Chapel

235 Cumberland St. at Longworth Ave.

Services: 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
FILM: 7:45 p.m. "Decade of Decision"
VISITORS WELCOME

CALVARY TEMPLE

Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada
Upper Prince Street
Rev. C. K. Benn, Pastor

9:15 a.m. Radio Broadcast, Summerside Station
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School, Mother's Day
11:00 a.m.—Morning Praise
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Rally, A Sunday Night Service you will enjoy
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Sunday: Directory Class—9:30 a.m.
Sunday School—10 a.m.
Holiness Meeting—11 a.m.
Salvation Meeting—7 p.m.
Friday: Young People's Hobby Class—4:15 p.m.
A WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT THE ARMY"

First Baptist Church

Corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets
Rev. Malcolm F. Harlow, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mrs. V. L. Dingwell, Organist and Choir Director

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Extended sessions for pre-school children
11:00 a.m.—"HOME SWEET HOME"
Anthem: "O Lord Most Holy" (Franck)
Presentation of Infant and dedication of Parents
(Broadcast CFCY
7:30 p.m.—"SPRING PLANTING"
Anthem: "Bless Thou The Lord O My Soul" (Ivanoff)
Solo: Selected—Miss Helen Burke
Wednesday 7:30—Mid Week Service. Prayer and Bible Study.
A WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU

Central Christian Church

219 Kent Street Charlottetown, P.E.I.
Morning

10:00 a.m.—Bible School for all ages
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship and Communion
Theme: "PRAYER"
Choir: "I heard the voice of Jesus say."
EVENING
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service
Subject: "A MOTHER'S PRAYER"
Solo: "My Mother's Prayer" Eric McGregor
Minister—Mr. William O. Weale
Organist—Mrs. Allison MacRae, R.C.A.M.
YOU ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP WITH US

PARK ROYAL UNITED CHURCH

13 Christie Drive, Parkdale
Rev. J. H. Tye, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. Leslie Biscott,
Organist and Director of Choirs

9:45 a.m.—Youth Adult Bible Class
9:45 a.m.—Junior, Intermediate, Senior Church School
11:00 a.m.—Nursery and Kindergarten Classes
11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
(Christian Family Sunday Worship)
Sermon: AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE
Anthem: "O Come Ye Servants of the Lord" —Tye
Sacrament of Infant Baptism
11:15 a.m.—Primary Church School
7:00 p.m.—EVENING WORSHIP
(Graduation and Lanyard Ceremony C.G.I.T.)
Sermon: CLIMBING JACOB'S LADDER
Praise by "Belfast Girls' Sextette"
Music by Intermediate Girls' Choir
You are welcome to worship with us.

St. Paul's Anglican Church

Established 1769 by Royal Foundation
The Rev. F. Louis Elias, L.S.T., Rector
Organist and Choir Director:
George A. Thompson, F.R.C.O., (CHM) A.R.C.M.
SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

8.30 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION
9:45 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL, Junior, Senior and Bible Classes.
11:00 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL, Primary & Beginners Classes
11:00 a.m.—MORNING PRAYER & Sermon
Anthem: "With A Voice Of Sinving" by Martin Shaw
Sermon: "BLESSINGS OF TODAY" by Rev. A. W. Garwood
7:00 p.m.—EVENING PRAYER & Sermon
Subject: "ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN" by Rev. A. W. Garwood
YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND OUR SERVICES

The Kirk of S. James

The Reverend T. H. B. Somers, M.A., S.T.M., Minister
Organist and Director of the Choirs
Christopher Gledhill, M.A., B.Mus.

9:45 a.m.—Church School and Young People's Bible Class
11:00 a.m.—Churchtime Nursery and Nursery School
11:00 a.m.—MORNING WORSHIP AND SERMON:
THE REV'D. R. L. GILLIS, B.A.
Introit: Our God ascended—Schultz
The Senior Choir
Anthem: Loving Shepherd of thy sheep—Lee
The Junior Choir
7:00 p.m.—EVENING WORSHIP AND SEMINAR:
THE REV'D. ROSS A. HOWARD, B.A., B.D.
"HE GIVETH POWER TO THE FAINT; AND TO THEM THAT HAVE NO MIGHT HE INCREASETH STRENGTH"

Zion Presbyterian Church

Corner Prince and Grafton Streets
The Rev. Donald A. Campbell, B.A., Minister
Miss Roberta Shaw, Deaconess
Mrs. Harvey MacKinnon, L. Mus., B. Mus.
Organist and Choir Director

10:00 a.m.—Bible Class 11:00 a.m.—Nursery School
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School (Today only) Members will assemble and after attendance recorded, will attend Church Service with Teachers.
11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP — CHRISTIAN FAMILY SUNDAY
Sermon: OUR FAMILY A HOUSEHOLD OF GOD
Anthem: Pleasant Are Thy Courts Above —F. G. Plummer
No. 2 Militia Group will parade to the Morning Service of Worship
3:30 p.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP, Calvin Church, Mermaid
7:00 p.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: THE CROSS AND THE CROWN
Solo: But Thou Didst Not Leave His Soul In Hell (Messiah)—Handel
Mr. Frank Wood
A CORDIAL WELCOME TO ALL

St. Peter's Cathedral

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May 10—The Sunday after Ascension Day
8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
8:45 a.m.—Matins
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School (Infants Class 11 a.m.)
11:00 a.m.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon
7:00 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Visitors are most welcome at all services.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Ministers: Rev. J. G. E. Ball, B.A.
Rev. G. G. Wyrwas, B.A., B.D.
Rev. Clayton C. Lewis
Organist & Director of Choirs: Royston F. Mugford, A.R.C.O.

9:30 a.m.—Senior, Intermediate and Junior Church School
11:00 a.m.—Primary, Kindergarten and Nursery
CHRISTIAN FAMILY SUNDAY
11:00 a.m.—Baptism
Sermon: "THE TURNING POINT" (Rev. C. C. Lewis)
Contralto Solo: Miss Margaret D. Hart-Dyke, Guest solcist of Ottawa
Q.C.H.S. Cadet Parade to Church
7:00 p.m.—CHRISTIAN FAMILY SERVICE
Sermon: "THE SURE FOUNDATION"
—Rev. Gerald G. Wyrwas
Junior Girls' Choir:
"A Song Of Praise" Eric Thiman
"Thanks Be To God" Stanley Dickson
"A WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT TRINITY AND SPRING PARK"

SPRING PARK UNITED CHURCH

(Cor. Kirkwood Drive and Dunkirk Street)
CHURCH SCHOOL

9:30 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—Nursery in Sunday School Room
11:00 a.m.—Sermon: "HONOR TO WHOM IT IS DUE" (Rev. G. G. Wyrwas)
Solo: Miss Susan Williams.
Organist: Mrs. Ron R. Atkinson