

(S.P.C.K.; 1s.) covers a similar field, but whereas Fr Troisfontaines emphasises the existentialist stress on 'communion rather than community', Dr Bailey is more concerned with 'the philosophy of conversion'. Both alike bring out the atheistic and nihilistic strands which are present in the thought of some existentialists.

VESSEL OF CLAY (Sheed and Ward; 7s. 6d.) is an account, by Father Leo Trese, of a day in the life of a parish priest. Its setting is American, but its significance is universal, for here is a candid record of a vocation from within; its achievements as well as its failures, written with charm and good humour. Few books of this kind are so honest or so rewarding.

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