

The Universe (cont'd)

The light that makes some stars visible started on its trip before there was any life at all on earth. During the time their light took to reach us, stars have moved many millions of miles in space. Thus every heavenly body has two positions: the place at which we see its light and the place where it really is.

Everything in space is moving. The earth travels around the sun once a year. The sun circles around the center of the galaxy every 200,000,000 years. The galaxy itself rotates like a great pinwheel at an average speed of 200 mi. per second. It makes a complete revolution in about 200,000,000 years. Our galaxy, like all the others, not only rotates, but moves in space. We do not know where it is going, only that everything in space seems to be moving away from every other thing. The universe is getting bigger and bigger.

The nearest galaxy we can see from the Northern Hemisphere is called the Great Nebulae in the constellation of Andromeda. To the naked eye it is a faint blur of light. But it is made up of hundreds of millions of stars, many of which are thousands of times brighter than our sun. The space between our galaxy and the Great Nebula in Andromeda is nearly empty. Even in our own galaxy most of the space is empty. If stars were no larger than golf balls in a part of our galaxy as big as the United States. There would be no more than 2 golf balls. That is how empty the universe is.

So in conclusion, astronomers and astrophysicists now realize that even with their high-powered telescopes, they see only a fraction of the universe. The earth is just a speck in the vast wilderness of space.

Love Birds Of Paris, Ont. (by Thomas Henry Judge of The Brant County Sheltered Workshop.

All through the ages there have been many lovers, like Nelson Eddy, Jenette McDonald, Romeo, Juliette, and the great Don Juan. But the greatest lovers of all time were Berry Biles and Boanne Biddolls who loved each other so much that not even all the money in the world could make them part. They met in England where Boanne sang with a group called The Rolling Stones. One night when she was singing, Berry asked her to have a drink with him. Two weeks later Boanne and Berry left England for Canada. On board the plane, these famous words were spoken by Berry: "Boanne I love thee and we'll always never part." Two weeks later in Paris, Ont. Berry and Boanne were walking down the street when they met the Bannen Gang; a tough street gang which was led by Burray Bannen. Berry beat them all up because his love for Boanne was so great that he'd have fought Hercules if he'd have to. Then a great disaster struck. Boanne was sleeping in bed when the furnace exploded. Berry seeing her house on fire ran in to save her. But he didn't come out and she didn't come out. Berry Biles died Nov. 8, 1965; Boanne Biddolls died Nov. 9, 1965. They were placed together in the same casket and they now lie in Mount Hope Cemetery.

The Blessing (by Pastor Donald John)

The Blessing is living a Christian life
It's glorious to be set free from sin.
I don't have to call my God a liar; and say he never made me right.
I can live without paint on or any make-up at all.
I don't hate any people God has created,
I don't get into a carnal fight with my next-door neighbor.
Bless God I don't have to get mad like a dog any more,
Any person who admits they got mad ought to be ashamed of their so-called christianity.

I don't have to smoke any more.
I don't have to use also the strong drink.
Nor go to any place where I'd not like to be found when Jesus comes.
I don't have to let the Devil run my house.
It's a blessing in keeping the Lord's day.
I don't need to go swimming after church service,
Nor use the Lord's Day for a picnic with friends.
The Lord's Day is a blessed day of rest.
I serve a risen Lord.

Jokes - Letters to parents from summer campers.

Dear Parents: There are 190 boys in this camp, I wish there were 189. Your loving son, Ronald.

Dear Mommy: Please bring some food when you come to visit me. All we get here is breakfast, lunch and supper. John.