

Soviet Union. The bishop's eminence both in science and in theology gives weight to what he says and the book must have been very useful to his Soviet readers.

He begins by showing that 20th-century science cannot be reconciled with the 19th-century materialism on which Leninist Marxism is based, but he is quite kind to the "semi-materialism" which remains. His thought owes much to Bergson's *Evolution Créatrice* and has a Teilhardiste flavour. This is interesting, for it is hardly conceivable that, writing in the Soviet Union before Teilhard's death, he knew of his work. But, like him, he looks to the redemption of the whole universe. In particular, animals have souls, which are by their nature immortal, though with very limited capacities in comparison with the human soul.

It would not be profitable to compare this short book with similar books published in the West. Some of Bishop Luka's arguments may not seem convincing to western readers but he makes one think in a fresh way. His heroic personality and his deep Biblical faith shine through. The Belgian publishers have chosen a marvellous photograph of Bishop Luka for the front cover of his book.

JOHN LAWRENCE

*Note:* A new book in Russian on the life and faith of Archbishop Luka has recently been published: *Zhizn i zhitiye Voino-Yasenetskogo arkhiepiskopa i khirurga* by Mark Popovsky, YMCA-Press, Paris, 1979, 516 pp., no price.

*Religion in Communist Countries:  
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compiled by Rev. Robert M. Yule, New Zealand Society for the Study of Religion and Communism, Inc., PO Box 28015, Wellington, New Zealand, 1979, 73 pp., 75 pence.

This booklet will be invaluable to anyone studying religion in almost any communist country. It has sections not only on the Soviet Union and the various countries of Eastern Europe but also on China and the main South-East Asian countries. Large countries are subdivided by denomination. It lists the major books and important individual contributions to symposia in each field, with brief but sound editorial comments, where appropriate, to guide the reader. It is available from Keston College.

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