

Apology Overdue.

No apology has come as yet from the bilious person who returned his Christmas card with the bad word on it. It seems the poor fellow was quite a victim of circumstances. The card was not sent to him from headquarters, because all the cards sent out from there were addressed in longhand, while the name and address he erased were quite evidently typed. Somebody goofed him. That's what comes of having weak spots; one can be goofed.

Another Misunderstanding.

It seems there was a bit of a misunderstanding, too, about the New Year's greetings sent out from headquarters. They were intended, not for the addressees, but for their roommates or next-door neighbors. In cases where the Christmas cards were evidently not received, this method of approach was used.

Prayers.

Jos. Barnett was called home Saturday night by the death of his mother. Col. Hoynes asks prayers on behalf of Mr. Harry Hildreth, of the City Hall, Chicago, whose twelve-year-old daughter is suffering grave effects from an attack of flu. A student asks a nine-day remembrance of an intention of his. Five other special intentions are placed before you by different students. A student who is having quite a struggle with temptations wants the benefit of your prayers. Frank Wagner, former student, father of John Wagner, of the Class of '26, and uncle of Bob Eggeman, died Thursday. Four persons who are ill are recommended to your prayers.

The Year of Thanksgiving.

We are approaching the end of the first semester of the year of thanksgiving, and we need to take stock of our accomplishments. Ask yourselves the following questions:

1. How many Communions of thanksgiving have you offered since September?
2. Have you stopped to reflect that God has been very good to you, to your parents, to your brothers and sisters; particularly that He has brought you to Notre Dame where you can have the benefit of the fullest opportunity to build up virtue while many of your high school companions are going to the dogs elsewhere?
3. Have you thought of all the good things God has done for your school, through the intercession of His Blessed Mother; particularly of the progress that has been made here during your own time?
4. Have you noticed that we have not had a death here this year? and that while there have been some close calls from death, the general health of the students has been much better than last year? that the isolation hospital, open all last year, has not been used once this year? With twenty-seven hundred students and not a single death we have much to be thankful for. (And while you are thinking along these lines, say a prayer for the repose of the soul of Jack Spillane, who died so suddenly in the isolation hospital a year ago next Saturday.)
5. Have you thanked God for the general peace and prosperity that has blessed our country, when so many other countries have been visited with misery and disorder?
6. Have you, above all, thanked God for the progress of the Church in this country, and for the Eucharistic Congress at our front door last year, when in a neighboring country active persecution holds sway? Don't be ungrateful.