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The Dean's Anniversary.

Tomorrow, Wednesday, is the first anniversary of the death of Father Francis Wenninger, C.S.C., who, at his death, was Dean of the College of Science. You upper-classmen remember well his passion for scholarship and accurracy. Imbued with the highest ideals, he insisted on work, work, work from his students. Though some would grumble, they knew at heart that it was good training for a most exacting and honorable profession.

One incident which followed his death showed that some of the boys appreciated his intense interest in them. It was particularly gratifying because gratitude is not very common in youth. A freshmen shortly after the funeral approached a priest and asked him hesitatingly if he could have a Mass said for the repose of the soul of Father Wenninger. Assured that it was possible, he proffered a \$5.00 bill. The priest made a note of the Mass and gave \$4.00 back to the student. The student a little mystified, asked, "Isn't the stipend \$5.00, Father?" "Why no," answered the priest, "the stipend for a Low Mass is \$1.00 and a Low Mass is quite sufficient in your case." A relieved smile broke over the student's face with "That's a break for me, then, Father, because I thought it was \$5.00 and that's all the money I've got for spending money until Easter" (then five weeks away).

The University will honor the memory of, and pray for the repose of the woul of. Father Wenniger with a High Mass on Wednesday, February 18th, at 5:25 in Sacred Heart Church to be celebrated by the Rev. J. Rugh O'Donnell, G.S.C., President. The Academy of Science and the pre-medical school is preparing to attend.

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-To the Chicago Club for donation of \$30.00, part of the proceeds of their Christmas dance to the Catholic European Students' Relief Fund (\$15.00), and Bengel Missions, (\$15.00)...-To the Kentucky Club who hasn't allowed a lot of blue-grass to grow under its feet before offering to send used <u>Bulletins</u> to Army officers and chaplains. That club will be given some Massachusetts or Pennsylvania army officer...-To the St. Vincent de Paul Society who volunteers to underwrite sending the <u>Bulletin</u> and also other Catholic literature to some Army camp to be selected.

Who Loses?

A priest recently asked a Prefect of Religion: "What can be the matter with the boys, the attitude of some of them toward priests?" and related the following incident: "For example, I accidentally happened to run into one who was having considerable difficulty on a certain matter. He had done a lot of worrying and consultation. He had figured out one possible solution for his problem but had not sought a priest's advice or aid. The boy was a deserving one in every way. I was glad to help him. I called on the priest who had charge of these matters and emplained the case. The superior said: 'Certainly, try that plan and if that doesn't work out, here's another solution. In any event, tell the boy he'll be taken care of.' After I had reassured the boy that the matter would be attended to, I acked him why he had not sought a priest in the beginning. His answer almost floored me: 'Well, Father, I guess we don't realize how interested in us the priests are.' Is somebody telling them to keep away from the priests?" Are they - to whose detriment?

NOTE: Sunday's Mass-Kit collection was \$93.92: rather good (with 150 K. of C's. absent)

This. plus previous campus gifts assures Kit from you to the first N.D. chaplain.

PRAYERS: (deceased) grandmother of Jos (Al.) and Bill (Mor.) McCaughey; uncle of J.

Ryan (Al.); grandmother of J. Bergen (Dil.); friend of J. Dahm (St. Ed's.); mother of

Mrs. Dan Kane; sunt of R. Oronin (Z.). Ill. sister of J. (P.) and C. (St. M.) Kelly;

Al Caputi (Cav.); mother of Ero. Columba, C.S.C.; Phil Bondi. 12 special intentions.