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John Francies.

A letter has been received from the mother of John Francies, expressing the sincere appreciation that a devoted mother feels for the prayers of priests and students for her son. She reports that John isn't entirely conscious yet, but that the doctors have given great hope for his recovery. He still needs lots of prayers, so please be faithful.

Regarding prayers for Bulletin intentions, one student suggested on his questionnaire that students offer up either morning or evening prayers or the prayers said at the beginning of class. A general intention to offer one or all of these prayers for the intentions on the Bulletin is an excellent and easy way of praying for them, even if one has not read the actual intention.

Lost -- A Million.

The questionnaires disclosed that most of you offer up your work and study by means of the Morning Offering. Those of you who forget this are losing not only great merit but also a chance to make your daily work and suffering a prayer of and means of reparation. Such reparation for sins will reduce your time of suffering in Purgatory.

Prayer is not to be confined to the knees, nor to the church, nor to set prayers. It can be done as you study, as you indulge in bruising spring football practice. It can be done through your duties themselves in accepting them obediently, in performing them perfectly, in offering them up every morning by your Morning Offering.

The more you dislike some class or assignment, some rule or duty, then the more you can put it to work through the Morning Offering, as a prayer both of petition for some favor and as a means of reparation for past sins.

God and Democracy.

The Law Club invites all of you to a discussion by the lawyers on democracy. The panel discussion will deal particularly with the necessity of belief in God, in the nature of man and in natural rights as the basis of real democracy.

This symposium should be particularly valuable to all students who face army service. In the "sessions" that will inevitably occur in the army, just as in college, there will be frequent discussions on the existence of God, natural rights and democracy. Attendance at the Law Club meeting will help to prepare you for these encounters.

The symposium will be in the Law Auditorium next Wednesday at 10:00 A. M.

Men of Boys Town.

It isn't often that the Bulletin can whole-heartedly recommend a movie. But it can go out on a limb for "Men of Boys' Town", opening Saturday for a week at the Colfax.

Reviews of the movie indicate that this sequel has all the punch and inspiration that was in the first movie, "Boys' Town". The original team of Spencer Tracy and Mickey Rooney again portrays the exceptional success of Fr. Flanagan in dealing with homeless and unwanted boys.

Attention, R. K.

You must be back now. There was a message in last Saturday's Bulletin for you -- and for the sophomore who couldn't find any priest who was interested in him.

Prayers. Deceased: Eugene Haller; Mrs. Charles Ridder; Dr. Michael E. Murray, '26. Ill: Father of Bob Sullivan (O-C); Father of Fr. Mathis, C.S.C. 4 Spec. Int.