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Accident

Joe Pappalardo, a graduate student, received first and second degree burns about the face, neck and both arms when an explosion took place in the chemistry laboratory yesterday. He is in St. Joseph's hospital in South Bend.

Sister Elegius, C.S.C. of the laundry, was anointed last night.

Theresa Martin

Theresa entered the Carmelite convent at the age of fifteen. This order of nuns lived a cloistered life, that is, they never left their convent walls like other Orders of women to teach children, to nurse the sick or to help the poor. After ten years of this hidden life, when Teresa lay dying, the nuns began to chat about the history of their young companion. "What can the Mother Superior put in the convent records about her. She did nothing outstanding; she just lived and died."

But God saw what the good nuns could not see -- Theresa's heart. She put a tremendous love of God behind what she did in the convent, and that made the little things in her life very great, things like sweeping, clearing the table, and washing windows.

Her"Little Way", as she called it, namely, that of doing little things with a big love, should attract young men to the imitation of the Little Flower, because their life will be much like hers, made up of commonplace duties and sacrifices.

This is St. Theresa's feastday. Spend a few minutes in prayer to her before you retire tonight. The following remarks taken from her Biography will help you in your reflections.

(Little Crosses) When a novice answered a knock at the door promptly, she said, "You have done something more glorious than if, through clever diplomacy, you had procured the good will of the government for all religious communities, "because"Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, nor even at their difficulty, but at the love with which we do them".

"We must go on to the end of our strength before we complain."

"Pick up a pin from a motive of love, and you may save a soul."

(About discouragement) "If I did not live simply from one moment to the next, it would be impossible for me to be patient; but I look only at the present. I forget the past, and take good care not to forestall the future. When we yield to discouragement or despair, it is usually because we think too much about the past and the future."

PRAYERS: (deceased) mother of Franklin Stuart, '44; father of Father Near, CSC; friend of Gregory Shinert (Bad); uncle of John McCormick (Sor); Father Cecil Foley; aunt of Tom Seedorff. (Ill) father of John O'Rourke (Dil); two friends of Ray Loy (Z), recovering from polio. Two Special Intentions.

> RCSARY DEVOTIONS ON SATURDAY AT 11:00 A.M. THERE ARE ROSARIES IN DILLON PAMPHIET ROOM