

Suckers, Get Your Money Out.

There is a new book for the suckers to buy. It is by Donn Byrne, who has now laid aside his innuendoes and mean digs at Christianity to attack more openly. He "explains" St. Paul as an epileptic. The suckers will buy it, as they bought the last attack on religion. But the suckers should remember that whenever they pay money to an author who jeers at Christ or Christianity, they play the role of the Jewish priests who encouraged those who jeered on the first Good Friday.

Questionnaire Cases.M.

M gives himself an awful beating. He says that he is "naturally worthless," although he finds that his vices are virtues as compared with his roommate's. He has received Holy Communion only five times this year, although he believes in frequent Communion.

M is not naturally worthless, although he is lazy as sin. He needs to hire a cop to keep him on the job. The Prefect of Religion will be glad to pester him, if he will make himself known.

N.

N is a senior who has received Holy Communion twelve times this year. He shows a good disposition, but is infernally lazy. He wants to know what is the best means of setting a good foundation for manhood, on both the spiritual and intellectual sides. He wants to go to Communion now, but is putting it off because he needs help in his studies and is afraid that he will ask God for it and then turn it down when it comes.

He needs to get busy, as his time for catching up on himself is short. Here is a prescription. Arise at six every morning; take a cold shower; go to Mass and Holy Communion; work the day according to schedule -- meals and recreation to be fixed definitely in the schedule; do fifteen minutes of spiritual reading (with reflection) each day; make the Way of the Cross twice a week; offer Holy Communion for a definite intention each day, this intention to be some other person's need, not his own. Between charity and self-sacrifice he can save his soul. He is drifting aimlessly as it is. Two Communion a week should be offered for those who are in danger of dying that day without the Last Sacraments.

P.

P, a sophomore, finds most effective an appeal to be worthy of the girl he loves, but he is in a bad way because from the tone of his questionnaire he does not know the meaning of love. He finds himself impetuous and lacking in will power -- and shows that he is frivolous by stating that in his last twenty-four hours he would probably get drunk and forget all responsibilities. He wants to know how to reform.

Wheeling brick would do him a world of good. He has too much money to spend and runs with a fast crowd. If he really wants to reform he can call for an interview. His handwriting shows a good heart but no headwork.

Prayers.

Father Wenninger's father died Thursday night. Frank Creadon's father continues very low. John Congdon asks prayers for a friend who is dying. Frank Egan, a graduate of three years ago, asks prayer for his brother who has just undergone a serious operation. Students returning from New York state that Mrs. Mitchell, Bill's mother, is still disconsolate over the loss of her son.