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Are You Selling Dad A Gold Brick?

You are if he is paying for a Notre Dame education and you are fighting it off. And you are resisting it if you don't think enough of him to offer him a Novena for Father's Day. Wednesday, April 13, is our local Father's Day - the feast of the Solemnity of St. Joseph. If your father's investment in you has so far proved a dud, pray to St. Joseph to give you a sense of responsibility to your parents. (You can still send a spiritual bouquet if you intend to make the Novena and start it now.)

Alms.

Bengal: New Jersey, \$5.00; Alumni Hall, \$1.54; Sophomore Hall, \$.47; anon, \$2. The Poor: Bozo, \$2.00; anon, \$5.00. Father Barron: J.H.B., \$2.00.

Questions From the Questionnaire.

May one marry his cousin?

Ans. **Marriage is forbidden to blood relatives of the third degree inclusive, in the collateral line. The Church dispenses for grave reasons to allow second cousins to marry; the marriage of first cousins has been permitted only for such grave reasons as keeping peace between nations by the intermarriage of royalty.**

What can you do for a fellow who snitches a couple of meals daily in the dining hall (on the plea that the school has been robbing him) and thinks nothing of it?

Ans. Leave him to God in your prayers. Some who do it have never lived on campus; they fall back on the plea that the food is cooked anyway. The fact that it would go to the breadline makes no impression on them. God alone is capable of judging whether or not they have sufficient use of reason to be guilty of sin and responsible for restitution.

Where are all the good Catholic girls hiding?

Behind the mantle of the Blessed Virgin. There are plenty of good girls, and they are all friends of the Blessed Virgin. If you want to find one, behave yourself first, and then pray daily to the Blessed Virgin to save one for you. You have lots of time. Boys who love the Grotto are not usually disappointed in marriage.

Explain: Heaven is eternal, yet Scripture says: "Heaven and earth shall pass away."

Ans. It is plain from the context (as well as from all the teaching of Christ) that the term as used here refers to the material heavens, i.e., the firmament, the material universe. Christ has just spoken (Luke 21 is the chapter from which you quote) of the stars of heaven being moved in the destruction of the world. We use the same expression today to indicate the material universe.

Why do some fellows here become the worst Catholics?

Ans. The reason was given in a sermon of the freshman mission. The more graces you resist the worse you become. Remember, "It is far better for you to go to hell from a state university than from Notre Dame: your responsibility is less when your ignorance is greater"?

PRAYERS: A Bulletin fan, Dr. Beard, Health Officer at the University of Illinois, is undergoing a major operation. Irwin Goldman, Sophomore Hall, and Billy Roekne, are ill with pneumonia. John Montague, '23, asks a continuance of prayers for his little girl, who is undergoing a new crisis after pneumonia. Father John Ryan's sister died a few days ago. A deceased relative of John Manley. A deceased friend of a student. Ted Marbaugh, '23, is still in critical condition following an accident. Prayers for sick relatives are asked by Tom Brobson, Tom Dugan, "Kitty" Gorman. A thanksgiving. Eight special intentions.