

Note: Save old clothes.
K.C.'s collect for the
poor and needy.

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Prayers: (deceased) brother-
in-law of R. McNamara (Ly).
Ill, uncle of H. Fenn; uncle
of E. Hozian.

Check And Double Check.

Three more Bulletins to go. Next Monday's will be the last. You've had your up's and down's -- so have the editors. . . heartened when your response to God's grace was generous, disheartened when sluggish or non-existent. You may judge us a cranky lot. But just hang around until the full days have been emptied and our 4500 (more or less) headaches have been soothed by a reign of quiet. The responsibility of being vicariously parental teachers and disciplinarians (an unrelished combination) will soon be lifted -- for the summer months at least. All we'll have to do for a breather is pray that you keep the faith and that we recover from the wear and tear of educating rambunctious, red-blooded Americans, who have unlimited Catholic-leadership potentialities.

Back to ma and pa and the sanctuaries of your own homes. Then you won't have to grumble and fret about midnights. You'll be able to go and come as you well please. No morning checks. No clanging gongs to disturb your freedom-loving ways. You'll put yourself to the test and discipline yourself (as you said you could around here). The recording angel will check and double check the eager-beavers who get up on their own for early parish, weekday Masses. At any rate, you'll prove it the hard way whether you've got the real stuff--or are merely full of fluff.

Thanks Are In Order.

We haven't overlooked the good in you, even though we've had to lambaste the bad. We have in mind: . . . The 3700 or more who enrolled themselves and their families in the Confraternity of the Rosary . . . The thousands of visits to the Grotto . . . The servers in hall chapels and the early birds who have been faithfully serving six o'clock Masses in the Basement chapel . . . The student choristers who sang so well in the main church and sacrificed their time to promote the Congregational High Mass . . . The Liturgists who canvassed halls selling missals to interest others in intelligent participation in the Mass . . . The anonymous donors to the poor fund and Farley Hall's generous contribution to two foreign mission appeals . . . The nigh perfect turn-out of Breen-Phillips for Mass on several football Saturdays . . . The Monogram men who have seldom missed sporting their N.D.'s at the altar rail . . . The (countless prayers offered for deceased John Bellis (non-Catholic graduate student); who died last fall of polio, and the densely packed church for Ray Espenan's funeral, and the thousands of rosaries and Communion offered for Jack Donahoe, and for the late Pat Thomas . . . The generous spiritual bouquet for the Holy Father, which will be presented to His Holiness personally by the Pilgrimites . . . The (almost) crowded church for Sunday night Benedictions and the fine cooperation in chanting Compline during Sunday adoration . . . The vigorous turn-out for May 1st devotions at the Grotto, which was promoted by the Student Council, Liturgical Life, Third Order of St. Francis and Y.C.S. . . The response to appeals for cancelled stamps for the missions . . . The persevering Family Rosary-ites . . . The excellent cooperation of the K.C.'s with this department in sponsoring Lenten adoration, and the same whole-hearted cooperation of the Liturgical Life in canvassing halls for October adoration . . . The remembrance in your prayers and Masses of intentions listed in the Bulletin . . . The varsity squads who came to Dillon chapel to pray and to be blessed before each athletic contest . . . The friendly "Hello, Father's" as we strolled across campus . . . The 1500 or more daily and frequent communicants who crowded the altar rails from September to June . . . The dozen and more who responded to the appeal for vocations and who will enter the Novitiate in August . . . All who have corresponded with God's grace and have intensified their love of Christ and His mother, who have become intently aware of the tremendous spiritual realities of the Faith -- for all of you, sheep within the fold and sheep still wearing stray sheep-skins, we priests and brothers want nothing but your success and upon you an abundance of God's choicest blessings. . . . Finally thanks to you for your generous prayers for Notre Dame's spiritual and temporal well-being. Continue those good prayers please.