

Frank Wahl (O-C sophomore)
seriously injured in auto
accident Saturday night.

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Wife of Elmer Farinella ser-
ious operation (Vet-V); bro-
ther of J. Dobyns has polio.

"God Help Us!"

Archbishop O'Boyle of Washington, D.C., recently addressed The Catholic Charities Convention. He pointed out in no uncertain terms that the final end and purpose of our charity can never be anything else than the awakening and invigorating of the love of God in human hearts with this end in view: "The increase of the Kingdom of God on earth by our efforts."

Catholics have too easily neglected the personal element in charity, a charity which at the present time has become institutionalized in organizations, such as the Community Chest. The Archbishop emphasizes the need for personal service to the poor, the helpless, the handicapped, the forgotten ones. Christ "went about doing good." "Other Christs" must do likewise. Young men and women in schools, colleges and universities must not only come close to but sympathetically serve the unfortunate.

If we have overlooked our identity with Christ it is because our faith has been weakened through neglect of prayer. On the last day we are to stand or fall on our spiritual and corporal works of mercy, for Christ attaches eternal importance to feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked.

With secularistic ideals infiltrating Catholic life it is high time to examine our motives, the motives which dominate our work, study, recreation, preparation for life. Just how materialistic are they? Why jobs which pay BIG MONEY? To advance ourselves and others in the Kingdom of God? Or to increase our ease, comfort, social prestige? We cannot serve two Masters. It is either God--or else.

"God help us," the Archbishop goes on to say, "if we set up a division between the comfortable and the indigent, so that we no longer see Christ nor follow His teaching in helping our brother. . . . God help us if we think that even a generous contribution to an organization of charity satisfies our obligation of personal service to the poor. . . . And God help every worker in the field of charity if he serves to alleviate material needs alone and forgets the souls of those he serves. . . ."

Opportunities Here And Elsewhere.

At Notre Dame we have students in whom is found this nucleus of the spirit of personal charity, this studied willingness to serve others. These are the ones who are responsive to appeals for prayers and good works. Several last year, a few this, have been teaching catechism in downtown parishes to children unable to attend Catholic schools. . . . Others have done case work for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. . . . More are active in The Third Order, Liturgical Life, Y.C.S., and the charitable activities of the KC's. . . . During the Depression we knew students who regularly assisted pastors distribute food packages to the hungry, and who made themselves generally available for this practical Christian charity.

Now Korean civilians need clothing and medicine. High-spirited sophomores are hoping to it. Give what you can. Donations for medicines received as follows: \$1, \$5, \$2, \$2, \$5.85 (from office girls in Main Building), \$1, \$6, \$1.05, \$5, \$25, \$1.

"Am I My Brother's Keeper?"

A thousand times YES. The second great commandment of the law is LOVE THY NEIGHBOR AS THYSELF. Paying lip service to this divine command is not practicing fraternal charity. Real love cannot be an inactive force. It must, if it be true, overflow into service. Otherwise it is suspect. The Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy are practical demonstrations of what is meant by LOVE THY NEIGHBOR AS THYSELF.

Prayers: (Deceased) mother of John and Eugene Gerwe died at the Iowa game; uncle of T.C. Murray (O-C); aunt of Pat Coughlin (O-C). Ill, Dick Brown serious operation.

(TONIGHT, SOPHOMORES CANVASS HALLS FOR DISCARDED CLOTHES FOR KOREANS.)