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Could It Happen Here ?

At a meeting of the International Affairs Association, held recently in Dublin, Archbishop Gerald O'Hara, of Savannah-Atlanta, Papal Nuncio to Ireland, manifested more than a mild disregard for one delegate who, in turn, will not soon forget the incident. When the flippant delegate, Hubert Butler, called the holy, fearless Archbishop Stepinac, (who was imprisoned and tortured by the Reds) a "dupe," the Pope's Legate rose up and left the assembly. The meeting was immediately closed. Later, officials of the Association called on the Nuncio to deplore Mr. Butler's abuse. They retained their respect for the Archbishop -- not for Mr. Butler.

Occasionally, if you're honest, you will find yourself in similar circumstances of disrespect. It may be a social gathering, mixed company or stag. It may be nothing more than a session with the hall crowd in the hall. Out comes a disparaging remark. Or up pops Mr. Foulmouth with a cheek full of smut. Do you have the courage it takes to register disapproval? This sort of action is not for the sissy; it takes a real man to insist on decency. You know it!

Clothes For Korea

Tonight, representatives of campus organizations -- NFCCS and K. of C. -- will canvass the halls for old clothes you are willing to discard in favor of your less fortunate brothers in Korea. Annually, this drive is sponsored by the National Catholic Welfare Council on a nationwide basis. Be generous to these war victims. Your efforts to help them will boomerang -- you'll find yourselves better off in many ways because you participated in this charity for the love of God. This is a good example of the Mystical Body of Christ in action -- "As long as you did it to one of these, the least of My brethren, you did it unto Me!"

Alms For The Poor.

Various worthy appeals are always clamoring at this office. From time to time we act as the middleman -- with no overhead, expense, or commission -- and pass on your donations to the most needy cases. We promise Bulletin contributors to find worthy recipients. At this time of year, the appeals are numerous and genuine.

Novena For Parents.

On Friday of this week begins the Novena For Parents. It is intended as a Christmas gift -- a kind of gift that cannot be bought with anything but love, and devotion, and gratitude on your part. More than anything else in all this world, it will reflect your Notre Dame life and education, because it will be a spiritual gift. You won't find it in the shop windows; but only in your heart. On what better day could you start assembling this Christmas gift than on the First Friday. The Novena will terminate before you leave for the holidays. You will honor Notre Dame and yourselves in this venture.

PRAYERS Deceased: Dr. Charles Tupper Baillie; brother of Emerick Zagurch of Cavanaugh hall; father of John J. O'Brien, '40; William B. Shanley, '29.
Ill: brother-in-law of Dan Hardin of Badin; Sister Camillus, of the Sisters of Providence; Jack Whelan's sister is critical. He begs your prayers for her.