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the new radio show, The Christ-family Program, WJW:2:45, November 19, 1951
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A Fair Request.

The following letter, originally addressed to the Prefect of Discipline, was turned over to the Bulletin for publication and comment. Because it refers to selfishness on the part of some students it lies well within the area of moral conduct.

Dear Father Leahy: I'm writing this with the hope that you may be able to curb the actions of some members of your student body in the local theatres.

For the past few weeks, on certain nights, it has become almost impossible to enjoy a complete movie in the downtown movie houses because of the jeers and heckling directed toward the plot and dialogues of the pictures. I realize in many cases this is due to poorly directed pictures and bad acting and on several occasions I have found the remarks of the audience more interesting than the movie dialogue. However, in the superior productions... I feel the noise was unwarranted and in very poor taste.

Since most of your young men are from fine families and Christian homes, I am certain it is not their intention to make life unpleasant for others. I respect their rights as theater goers and appreciate their youthful humor, but I would be ever so grateful if you could persuade them to be a little more considerate of their fellow man in their display of personal opinions and witticism... Thank you. (A South Bend Movie Goer.)

As a general rule, unless they are exceptionally well-trained, children are not noted for thoughtfulness of others. Pre-adolescents, as well as those who are experiencing delayed-adolescence, are downright selfish. It takes good example and wise disciplining to cultivate pronounced, unselfish traits in youngsters as they grow up.

At Notre Dame we have over 5000 young men who come here with all types of hometraining. Included in this select group there always seems to be "that certain few" whose upbringing has been defective. There is abundant evidence for this in their crude manners and lack of consideration for the rights and feelings of others.

How else explain "blasting" radios, noisy yelling when others are trying to study and concentrate, the loud knuckle-heads signing in at midnight... the displays of boorishness in buses, the guffaws of the over-loaded hotshots—much to the indignant annoyance of bus riders... the catcalls and wisecracks in downtown theatres?

Upperclassmen could do something about this if they had more spunk. They would not be dealing with a majority group, but a small minority of adolescents who never quite got over the devastating experience of being high school seniors.

Respecting the rights of others is not only good manners but good religion. If the excuse is given that these slips are usually thoughtless slips, the rejoinder is that offenders should be getting past the age of thoughtlessness. A word to the wise is sufficient for persons mentally old enough to be in college.

Volunteers Wanted.

The National Catholic Action Study Commission of the N.F.C.G.S., which was chartered at Notre Dame this summer, plans to stage a Catholic Action workshop at Notre Dame on December 8th and 9th. Student volunteers are needed to handle publicity, dance arrangements and other activities connected with the workshop. All those interested in this project leave their names in the Commission office, Room 3, Law Building, before next Sunday.

Prayers: (deceased) uncle of Jim Froembgen; aunt of Bob Sullivan. Critically ill, father of Joe Weis (Ly); aunt of Jack and Frank Mooney. 5 special intentions.