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#### Costly Victory.

### The following itemis from the Bulletin of October 16:

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"The unfortunate accident that resulted in a broken leg in last Saturday's game between Northwestern and Wisconsin emphasizes the need for prayers for the protection of the players. One broken wrist in the past two seasons is an excellent varsity record of protection and encourages you to pray."

Well -- you did, and you didn't! The season ended, so far as most of you were concerned, with the victory over Southern California. You left the team to shift for themselves. Now you can start in to pray that Tim's leg will come through with no complications.

#### Jackasises.

Congressman Howard, of Nebraska, distinguishes (for the benefit of Senator Moses) two classes of jackasses -- wild and tame. He failed to mention consummate jackasses -the ones that bray in the chapel when there is no prefect present.

#### Accidents Of Travel.

This is the second time in five years that we have gone this far into the year without the death of a student -- if we except the case of Larry Dean, whose registration was cancelled a few days before his death at the opening of school. Some schools have already lost four or five students this year by accidenta? death. Let us pray for the continuance of Divine favor -- but at the same time be prepared for an accident if one should come.

Receive the Sacraments before you leave, if you are going home for Thanksgiving Day. You will feel more like greeting your mother as you should if your lips and heart are clean; and you will meet your Judge without fear if you have received Him in Holy Communion that morning.

#### Seven Billion Holy Communions.

At the present rate it would take the students of the University 20,000 years to reach that figure in the reception of Holy Communions-- but....

If every Catholic in the United States were to receive Holy Communion daily, that many would be received in the course of one year.

And think what it would mean: Mortal sin would disappear among Catholics. And how long could non-Catholics hold out against the double force of example and prayer? If that were kept up for five years, in the United States alone, what would be the effect on the world at large? God Promised to spare Sodom and the other four cities of the plain if ten just could be found in them.

Last Friday the number of student Holy Communions at Notre Dame this year passed the 100,000 mark. If every student who received had brought another with him, what would have been the effect on Notre Dame this year? There is matter for fruitful meditation and a sound apostolic resolution.

## Prayers.

John Ratterman's brother was killed in an accident Saturday night. Wm. McAleer and Robert Schmidt ask prayers for their fathers, and Stanley Dayton for his mother, all very ill. A relative of M.L. Terre has just undergone an operation. A deceased friend of a student. Five special intentions.