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How Goes The Survey?

The questionnaires for this year's Religious Survey were placed at your disposal last Tuesday. We have now received just half enough for a complete report. According to halls (grouped also according to classes), the returns are as follows:

Seniors		Juniors		Sophomores		Freshmen	
Sorin.....	26	Alumni.....	19	St. Edward's....	38	Brownson.....	41
Corby.....	26	Howard.....	12	Morrissey.....	36	Dillon.....	40
Walsh.....	24	Badin.....	9	Lyons.....	27	Carroll.....	37
		Off-campus (mixed groups).....	16			Sophomore.....	37

One more word about your replies: no questions on the questionnaire are more important for your own spiritual benefit than 41 and 42, which refer to the Alumni Survey. If you fail to read this document, you are closing your eyes to the experience of all the Notre Dame men who have gone before you. The result will be that in later years you will be voicing the regret that you did not make better use of your opportunities while you were here. (Readers outside of Notre Dame are hereby notified that if they have not received the Alumni Survey they may have it on application. There is no charge.)

How Goes Your Lent?

Attendance at Holy Communion during Lent this year is still below last year's figure. The great gap came as a result of the Washington's Birthday weekend. Since March 1, the day designated for the Easter duty, there has been an improvement; in fact, the two weeks just ended witnessed two new records - one for a single day (2197) and one for a two-weeks period (24829). Here are the figures, with a weekly comparison:

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Wk-1932	1931	Loss or gain
			2094	1778	1835	1636	7543	7338	205
1686	1620	1673	1677	1679	1683	1537	11555	10608	947
1418	1056	1244	1366	1355	1531	1529	9499	12052	-2553
1659	1564	2197	1801	1712	2017	1751	12701	11869	832
1846	1620	1722	1780	1780	1730	1650	12128	11839	289

During the corresponding week a year ago we were having a Novena for examinations; the cancellation of the mid-semester tests has done away with this novena - but not with the need for prayer for success in studies. We have suggested instead a Novena for Tramps. It should have a strong appeal to those who have neglected to pay their debts -- those, for instance, who have promised novenas they have not made, those who have neglected to thank God for favors received this year, those who have failed to do anything special for their parents whose sacrifices are keeping them in school, those who have not done anything Catholic for Lent -- and, especially, those who have not yet made their Easter duty. (Our list of these now runs as follows: Off-campus, 48; Corby, 24; Walsh, 15; Alumni, 12; Morrissey, 12; Howard, 12; Sorin, 5; Lyons, 3; St. Edward's, 3; Brownson, 2; Carroll, Sophomore, Dillon, 1 each.) Finally, the Novena for Tramps is recommended to those seniors who have no jobs in prospect and are doing nothing about it. Like Mahatma Gandhi, they have lost their goat and spinning wheel; like the Mahatma, they sit; unlike him, they are wrapped in clothes, while he is wrapped in thought.

PRAYERS: Fr. Murch underwent an operation for appendicitis Saturday. Leonard Donoghue is quite ill, having suffered a relapse since his operation. Ill; Wm. Minardo's father; James Kearns's father; a cousin of Ben Salvaty; John Breen's brother; John Crimmins' grandfather; Frank Zwiers, ex-'31; Ed and Hugh Fitzgerald's grandfather; a sister of John Beesinger, C.S.C. Deceased: Prof. Payton's mother-in-law; Eugene Coyne's uncle; Edward Martin's sister (died of injuries received in an auto accident); Ed Lager's uncle; two friends of students. Five special intentions.