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For John Eternity Has Opened

John Clair, who would have been a sophomore in law this year had he registered last September, died in Chicago, Sunday morning, March 6.

While on a vacation trip in Florida last summer, he picked up a serious sinus infection. And from September he had been bedfast in St. Elizabeth's Hospital until his death.

John was an excellent student, for four years maintaining an average of 91.7 per-cent. And although he took his education seriously, he never lost his ready sense of humor.

His good nature he kept even during the long, painful illness. Severe headaches did not keep him from the radio for at least one Notre Dame game last fall. "Give me four aspirins, and turn it on," he ordered the doctor.

John's most intimate friends give us the truest portrait of his character: deeply religious, clean-cut, pure in speech, an exemplar of Catholic faith that dominated all his actions. He caught on to the spirit of Notre Dame campus life almost as soon as he arrived, taking up the practice of frequent communion which he followed until his death.

Now this loyal Notre Dame man is gone. God's ways are not our ways. Everything, no matter how sad, that happens in this life, happens because God wills it.

For John the struggle has ceased. Days, weeks, years, now, are all alike. His friends, the classroom, the chapel, the lake, but most of all his loved ones he has left behind. But he has found a more abun-



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dant life. If it be true that as you live so shall you die, then surely John Clair must be close to God.

Notre Dame is proud of such a son as he. May his family cherish the thought that John was a loyal Notre Dame man, scholastically and religiously.

His family and relatives will be comforted to know that the 10 o'clock Mass Sunday morning, and the Communions of the students attending it were offered for the repose of his soul.

A Requiem High Mass to be sung by Father O'Hara will be offered for John in the main church Wednesday morning at 6:20. Students of all the halls are asked to attend.

PRAYERS: (deceased) uncle of Richard and Bernard Devine; Mrs. Henry Welsh; Frank Madden, friend of Jim McCarthy (Sorin); cousin of Phil McHugh (Badin). Ill, mother of John Gadd (St. Ed's); mother of Joe Valantiejus (Lyons); Bill Sheils, '34, (Knee ailment); uncle of Bill Lusson (Sorin); friend of Nick Lamberto (Walsh); friend of Nicholas Kalmes. Nine special intentions.