Remember Mary in your Merry University of Notre Dame Christmas. . . Keep Christ in your Merry Christmas. . .

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. . . Follow the Mass for your / " Merry Christmas. And have a real Christmas vacation.

Tips B-4 Trip.

Here are some miscellaneous items on which you need to be informed before leaving:

- 1. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are ember days. Your Notre Dame privilege does not apply off campus. Neither does travel give you an excuse for eating meat. If you are twenty-one or over, you must fast as well as abstain.
- 2. The Vigil of Christmas ordinarily is a day of fast and abstinence. Because it falls on Sunday this year you are dispensed.
- 3. New Year's Day is a holyday of obligation, by virtue of its being the feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord. The World has not only commercialized Christmas to such an extent that this beautiful Christian feast day has lost its religious significance, but it has be-deviled New Year's and been the reason why miscreant Catholics miss Mass. (Have no part of dotty stunts.)
- 4. Don't be a mythomaniac. There may be alumni around town who know the score.
- 5. The radio. Father Peyton's Christmas eve radio program -- Joyful Hour -- will be a relief from the current, whimsical mishmash one hears nowadays.
- 6. Carry your reserv. Promise before leaving the campus you will say it each night before rolling into bed. A student recommends saying the resary together for those who have "dating troubles."
- 7. When friends ask you about discipline at Notre Dame don't look like you just swallowed a mouse. One consolation -- army discipline will be tougher.
- 8. Give the folks a break this year. This could be your last Christmas home for a long time to come. The war jitters affect them more than you think. Can you date a married woman? Yes, if she's your mother. Why not double-date with your mother an If Only Men Prayed More?'s entertainment. At least, once.

If Only Men Prayed More?

Before enplaning for Rome, Stewart Lynch, president of the National Council of Catholic Men, had this to say: "Why is it that so many men shy away from prayer? Or for that matter, from any religious practice, like frequent Communion? We (men) act as though we thought religion is something for women only. . . . "

We invite Mr. Lynch to Notre Dame where most men do pray and receive the sacraments frequently. The impact of the world crisis has had a sobering effect on campus. We observe more and more strange faces at the altar rails, more students attending night prayer and evening rosary, more anxious souls praying before the Blessed Sacrament wrapped in thoughtful prayer -- that is, more than ever before. These are genuine indications that the faineants are arounsing themselves, and if they have heard Mary's alarm are not rolling over and going back to sleep.

"If only men proyed more" implies that women do pray more. As a rule women are good prayers. His orically, the fairer sex have been loyal to Christ during any time of crisis. Weren't the men outnumbered 3 to 1 at the foot of the Cross? If women continue to outnumber us then the salvation of the world rests more in their folded hands than in ours.

Prayers: (deceased) Rev. James Gallagan, c.s.c.; friend of Bob Nyssen (Za); 4 persons; friend of Clayton Glasgow (Dil); grandmother of Pat Mulrooney (Cav); Hon. Martin Carmody, '32. Operation, infant son of Jim Hamilton; brother of Fr. McNamara, c.s.c; brother-inlaw of Sr. Maroella; G. J. Foes, '43; Injured,