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## SOPHOMORES

As Prefect of Religion, Cardinal O'Hara had a name for it. He called it "sophomoritis". It is obviously a disease which hits sophomores, and it is easier to diagnose than it is to cure. No antibiotics or miracle drugs have been discovered to check its progress or to effect a quick cure. It flourishes today as it did thirty or forty years ago. And from my observations I'd say that the disease has reached epidemic proportions on the campus this year.

What evidences are there? The principal symptom manifested so far is the attitude on the part of the majority of the sophomores that they don't need a mission. You see, sophomoritis breaks out in a certain immature sophistication. Sophomores become aware that they are no longer on the bottom of the heap. Such things as missions and retreats are kid stuff. They were taken in last year at the freshman mission, but they won't be taken in as sophomores. They don't need a mission.

These same sophomores afflicted with sophomoritis no doubt show other symptoms. They can now hold their liquor. They can play with the fire of impurity without getting burned. They know how to get away with violating University disciplinary regulations. They're just too smart to get caught.

Maybe I'm misjudging the sophomores. Maybe they had good reasons for staying away from the opening of their mission in droves. They can prove me wrong by showing up at the Grotto at 6:45 this evening, by jamming the church for Father Broestl's second sermon, and by keeping the confessors busy in their boxes until 10:00 or after. I'd like to be proved wrong. Dr. Teske will then take down his shingle.

## Mass Schedules

By now the schedule of Masses in all hall chapels has been posted. This year the rectors and chaplains made a special effort to schedule the Masses at times convenient to you. For instance, in addition to the early morning Masses there are Masses at 8:30, 11:00, and 11:30 in some of the hall chapels. Mass is also offered at 11:30 and at 5:10 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church. Only the 9:30 and 10:30 Masses in the church have been discontinued. So far none of the Masses in any of the chapels or in Sacred Heart Church have been crowded. There's room for one more -- for YOU.

## In Your Charity

Please pray for the following who died during the summer: Rev. William Maloughney, C.S.C., and Rev. Regis Riter, C.S.C., both former members of the Notre Dame faculty; the father of Father Brown; the mother of Father Harrington; the brother of Dean Plunkett; Henry Hasley, '29, father of John Hasley, '59 and of Prof. Hasley; the father of Father James Sullivan, C.S.C.; Patrick F. McCarty, '38; William R. Maher, '24; Lt. Philip R. McHugh, '55. Ill: Father Woodward; Father Stair; Mrs. Woodrow Winsjansen, former secretary in the Alumni Office.