
Novena for the Team.

The football team has requested a Novena for a good season, which means a season without serious injury and with a strong development of the virtues which football inspires. The Novena will begin Friday and will end on Saturday, October 2, the feast of the Holy Guardian Angels, in whose honor it will be conducted. It will be a private Novena -- that is, no public prayers will be said for it; but every Notre Dame man who believes the team will receive Holy Communion every morning during these nine days and say some prayer (such as five Our Fathers and five Hail Marys) in honor of the Guardian Angels, for the success of the season.

There was tragedy last year during the football season: one of the freshmen, Jimmie Powers, died of a broken neck. It was not an unmitigated tragedy, for Jimmie put a noble fight and showed a spirit of heroism that must have been pleasing to Almighty God, for through the death of Jimmie Powers He wrought many miracles of grace. It is not too much to say that there are Catholic students here today who would not be living in union with God were it not for the death of Jimmie, who offered his sufferings and death for their conversion.

It is customary at Notre Dame for students to follow and support the team with unrestrained enthusiasm; and that enthusiasm shows itself in the basement chapel and in the hall chapels as it does on Cartier Field. The players are asking for your prayers. Be a good Notre Dame man. Support the team in Notre Dame style.

Don't Cough.

The morning sessions of the Mission sound like a t.b. ward. Don't make the poor missionary hoarse trying to shout you down. Hold your breath. Nine-tenths of all coughing is due to bad example, and the other tenth to bad training.

Freshman Heartaches.

No, the social life of Notre Dame is not what it's cracked up to be; yes, it's quite a comedown after all the going-away parties -- your name in the paper and all that sort of rot; sure, the grub is terrible -- you can't put on more than fifteen pounds before Christmas; Notre Dame is a terribly common place. But, after all, there's nothing much you can do about it unless you pack up and go home and give your place to one of the hundreds turned away. There is just one other little thing: buck up and take the training that has made Notre Dame men the most enthusiastic alumni in the country.

The Money.

The Pamphlet rack (mission goods, medals, books, pamphlets, etc.) is a more or less self-supporting institution. It is a daring thing; on one occasion last year it was \$650.00 in debt. It stood about even with the boards at the end of the year. Kind friends donated a couple of hundred dollars during the summer. That's a start. Bills at present amount to about \$500.00. Contributions to the rack may be left in the little boxes in the annex to 141 Sorin and at the entrance to the basement chapel; they may also be put in the collection box on Sunday. (Last Sunday was the third Sunday of the month, and the collection of \$111.98 went to the Bengal Mission Fund, as third Sunday collections always do.)

Holy Communion Daily.

Five hundred students making this week's Mission failed to receive Tuesday.