
What Would You Think Of The Team?

What would you think of the football team if it rested on its laurels now and threw the next two games out the window?

In the fall of 1921 the Notre Dame football team met the University of Iowa, Howard Jones coaching, and for the first time in three years Notre Dame lost a game. The result was chewed over by and large by a crestfallen team and student body. The discussion reached its peak when the janitor in the Sorin sub, where most of the team lived, asked Harry Mehre, center, who lost the game. Harry answered: "Rock says it was mental poise." And Alphonse cracked wiser than he knew: "Aw, that faller never could play football."

The team is tired -- and no wonder -- but let's hope it's not running around with Mental Poise. But the fans -- chock full of it. If your case isn't hopeless, it is next to it. Four hundred dragged their weary legs from bed yesterday morning for the Mass of thanksgiving and reparation -- but that's four times as many as were present last Friday morning.

Of course, the matter is all up to you. If you want the team to slump, it's your own affair. As a matter of fact, religion usually fares better on defeat than on victory -- unless you use brains. But you know what you would think of the team if it laid down on the job.

What the Sorin Chapel is For.

There seem to be hundreds of freshmen here -- and upperclassmen, too -- who are ignorant of the raison d'etre of the Sorin Hall chapel. It's in the handbook, on the calendar, announced frequently on the Bulletin and in church; but every day or so a student says he didn't know that the chapel is attended all morning, from 5:15 till noon, for the reception of the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion.

Tomorrow's Feast.

Tomorrow is the feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin in the Temple. It is not a holyday of obligation, but it should be a day of great devotion for Notre Dame men. It recalls the dedication of Our Lady's life to God. She gave her sons an example they would do well to imitate. They do imitate this example if their devotion to her leads them closer to her Divine Son.

The Grave of Father Power.

There are a great many questions these days about the extraordinary events taking place at Malden, Mass., where thousands daily visit the grave of Father Power, an obscure priest who died some sixty years ago. It is reported that last Sunday the number of visitors was 250,000. Numerous cures are said to have taken place at the grave, and the question is asked whether these are true miracles.

The Church acts very cautiously in such matters. After the crowd of curiosity-seekers dies down, she will examine carefully the reported cures to make sure that they are not due to hysteria or suggestion. If the cases do not ring true, she will forbid all devotion to Father Power as superstition; if no natural cause for the cures can be found, she will then proceed to an exhaustive study of the life of Fr. Power.

Prayers.

Robert Lind's father died Saturday night. An uncle of Wm. Edwards died Monday. Ronald Armour asks prayers for a sick relative; Raymond New for a sister and aunt who are ill. Eight special intentions.