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Not Interested In The Sick?

It would seem not. There were scarcely 900 Holy Communions on Monday, the first day of the Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes. You may be needing those prayers for yourself before the end of the nine days.

The Health Situation.

There was only one student left in the Infirmary on Monday - quite a change from January, when 132 cases were in for at least one night. There were eight cases in the hospital the same day -- all of them doing well, although Richard Delaney had to undergo an operation. That is a favorable situation for a bad month; pray that it will continue.

"Une Conversion Par Le Sport."

"D'un journal des Etats-Unis, nous extrayons le recit de la conversion de M. Rockne Knute, fameux "instructeur" (coach) de l'equipe de football de l'Universite de Notre-Dame. C'est lui-meme qui, devant quelque 1200 hommes reunis pour une retraite a la dite Universite, a raconte comment il a ete amene a embrasser la foi catholique.

"J'etais, a-t-il dit, vivement impressionne de voir les joueurs de mon equipe aller a la messe et s'approcher de la sainte Table tous les jours....."

Those who are interested in reading the rest of this little address (which we borrow from L'Apotre de Marie, Nivelles, Belgique, will find it in the Religious Bulletin of January 10, at the pamphlet rack.

He Didn't Miss One.

Joe Ford's obituary informed you that from the day Joe Ford arrived at Notre Dame until he entered the Infirmary with his fatal illness, he received Holy Communion daily. He missed only one day during the Christmas holidays - when he slept till eleven o'clock - and he expressed great regret that he had not been called that day. He had also followed daily Communion during the summer vacation, although he lived nearly three miles from the Cathedral, his parish church.

Had Joe lived to the Biblical three score and ten, had those years been crowded with worldly honors, none of these would have consoled his parents as did the knowledge that their son was a good boy who lived as close to God as a boy can live. His mother's reflection was: "I don't see how any Catholic mother can send her boy to any but a Catholic school. He had everything that counts in life, and everything that counts when he came to die!"

Groundhog Day.

Groundhog Day comes a day late at Notre Dame. The groundhogs can't see their shadows, for their faces are between two candles, but they go back to their holes anyway - to come out again on Ash Wednesday for a moment, and again on Palm Sunday. However, they don't see the sun until Trinity Sunday. (Yesterday brought an oversupply of groundhogs to the Sorin Hall chapel.)

Let "No Visitors" Mean NO VISITORS.

Some of the students in the hospital have had their progress retarded by too many visitors; the fever charts demonstrate that. Obey the sign on the door; help them recover. PRAYERS: A deceased relative of Arthur Cavenger. Six special intentions.