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and re-made at Adora-  
tion by Christ's pwr.

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Grover Takes His Roving  
Mike Into The Rockne  
Memorial Lounge Room.

SCENE: Twenty-five students, representing all classes crowd into one corner of the Lounge Room in the southeast corner of the Rockne Memorial, second floor. Grover, the Bulletin's star radio reporter anxiously fidgets with his portable microphone, awaiting the signal to start the first man-on-the-campus ad lib program for a national network.

GROVER: All right, fellows, got set-- thirty seconds to go. And watch what you say: this thing goes all over the country. (A stacatto buzz is heard: the room is hushed) Well, boys, we're on the air. Let's see, now: you out there on the edge of the crowd-- you in the brown sweater-- what's your name and what hall are you in?

STUDENT: Ed Squirt. My friends in the Morrissey Sub call me Runt. (His nerves and his voice are shaky) What's this about? Do you think my Pop can be getting me back there in the general store in Pokahontas, Virginny? (Ed sneezes into the mike and a voice behind says, "Nice goin', Runt.")

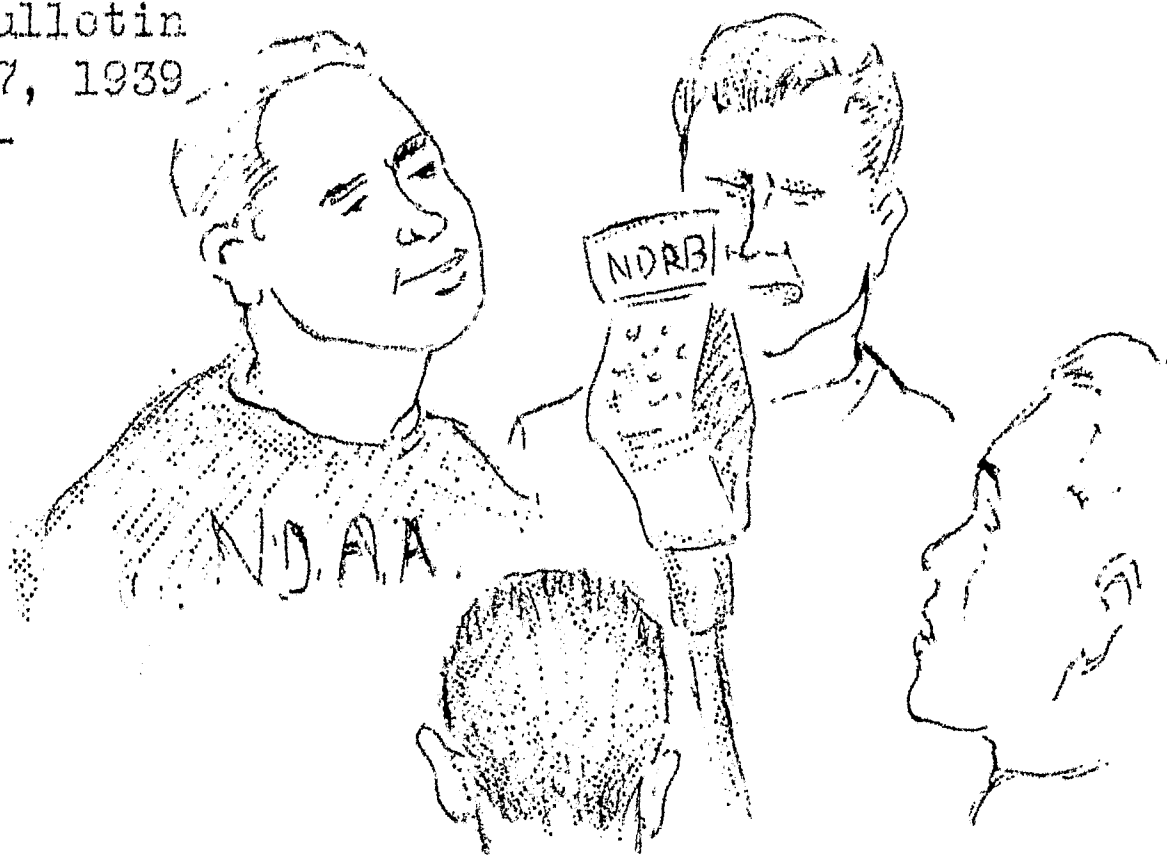
GROVER: Well, Ed, now that registration and the first classes are over and you're settling down, what's the next most important thing on the program?

STUDENT: Oh, I'd say the game with Purdue. I know a girl down there at the Boilermakers. I dunno who to root for. (Chorus of boos. Mr. Squirt is escorted to Mr. Mills' office next door and carefully guarded. Voices from the corridor can be heard. "Give him the lake. The LAKE!")

GROVER: (Trying to hush the group) Shhh! This fellow here in the green cardinals, what do you think's the most important coming event?

STUDENT: Well, Father--er, I mean Grover-- I'd say October Adoration. That appeals most to me at this time of year. (Looks of wonderment on the faces of freshmen)

JOHN: When one of the Bulletin representatives shows up tonight to get your preference on Adoration periods, treat him right. And treat Christ right. The consensus of student opinion has always been: "This is Notre Dame's most cherished privilege."



A FRESHMAN: October WHAT? I didn't get you. (Grover looks at his watch)

GROVER: Well, boys, we've got to step on it. You, over there with the N.D.A.A. sweatshirt, tell these freshmen what Adoration has meant to you.

OLD STUDENT: It has shown me the wonderful spirit of Our Lord. Last year I went in for a half-hour and cut two classes without realizing it until later.

ANOTHER OLD STUDENT: It has made me admit to myself I have a vocation. I've been trying to duck the idea for two years.

A SENIOR SENIOR: It brings out the finer side of the fellows. One can't watch Adoration without seeing that here real men are in the making.

A JUNIOR IN HOWARD: It is one of the most beautiful things that has entered my life. It has increased my devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and has given me a different conception and evaluation of my fellow-students here at Notre Dame.

A MAN FROM ALUMNI: I was inclined to think it was overdoing religion, but when I visited the Church I changed my mind. My whole attitude toward life has been changed by it. It has made me much manlier. To recall my visits helps me when tempted.

A GRADUATE STUDENT IN LAW: It is my greatest experience in six years at Notre Dame.

GROVER: Well, we'll have to turn the mike back to the studio now. They're cutting us off to put on a dance band from Yonkers or Harlem, someplace around there. Sign up for your half-hours tonight or Th.