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### Did You Start Your Novena This Morning?

"I knew that without God I could not be continent."  
Thus spoke the Wise Man in the Old Testament.

Do you think you're an exception? One who doesn't need the help of God's grace against the teasing tug or the thundrous turmoil of temptation?

If you know a surer way of obtaining assistance than through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, then good Christians for 2000 years have never heard of it.

Suppose you failed to start your Novena this morning--  
That doesn't mean you don't want to or can't. It merely means you're one day behind the gang. **START NOW!**

Here's the program: if need be, **CONFESSION**. Then, **MASS AND COMMUNION** nine days in a row. Suggested: a visit to the **GRCTO** daily and **THREE HAIL MARYS** (or the beads).

### Farewell To Football (III).

Surely the conclusion of Mr. Herring's letter will win many prayers and remembrances in Masses and Communion for Don.

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"But what I particularly wished to tell you as having been impressed upon the minds of Don, his mother and myself is this. Among the nearly four thousand messages received, from people of all creeds, and of every degree of education and station in society, and every one a message of genuine sympathy and desire to help, the messages from individual Catholics uniformly bore testimony of the faith in God that was obviously a part of that person's nature. I said above that this fact was impressed on our minds. Perhaps I should have said on our hearts.

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"I should be glad if you could show this letter to the Reverend Father, the Rector of Notre Dame. Again I wish to thank you, as representing the undergraduate sons of the great university founded in the name of the Holy Mother of Christ."

The letter was signed by Don's father, Mr. Donald Grant Herring of Princeton. Father O'Hara replied as follows:

"John Kelly has shown me your beautiful letter and I want to express my appreciation of your kind thought of Notre Dame.

"Our hearts are naturally stirred by anyone in affliction of soul and your son's fortitude has aroused an unusual outburst of sympathy. With our boys this means, incidentally, a crusade of prayer.

"May God bless and protect you and your family. (signed) John F. O'Hara, C.S.C."

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As Father O'Hara said years ago America can thank God for its football, for its Saturday afternoons, for the great fair play, good will and sportsmanship which are created by this national game. The case of Don Herring of Princeton, while marred by tragedy, is a tale of courage. His Church and his Alma Mater and Notre Dame are all proud of him. Pray for him.

The Commission for Decent Literature is glad to say it filled orders for 8000 copies of **NO SMUT!** last week, including three separate orders for 1000 copies requested by the Archbishop of New Orleans, the Bishop of Erie and a high school in Bronx, N.Y. Yesterday's mail brought an inquiry about it from a Jesuit father in Dublin who had read its praise in The London Catholic Herald. (\$3.50 a 100; \$15 for 500; \$25 a 1000).

**PRAYERS:** (deceased) Mrs. Richard O'Brien; Mr. McEvoy; John McNamara; Mrs. Mae Herder.  
**FOUND:** Roads in case; glasses in case (left in 105 Commerce Tuesday at 8) 117 Dillon.