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You're Behind the Team -- Way Behind.

Saturday was Our Lady's Day.

Saturday was the fourth day of the Novena for Poor Souls.

Saturday was the Navy game.

Friday's Bulletin said, "The Communion records for the last few football Saturdays tell a story: Georgia Tech, 1457; Carnegie, 1513; Illinois, (the injuries started) 1368; Army ???...The Poor Souls need prayers; certainly, the team needs prayers against injuries, present and future....A wire to the team on Saturday morning reporting a good turn out would help the team and the Poor Souls too."

What happened? There was a decrease of 10 Communions on Saturday. Consider the number of students in each hall; then look over this record.

Late Communions (Dil., How., Cav.)	160	Dillon	67
Zahm	105	Lyons	63
Breen-Phillips	100	Walsh	58
Cavanaugh	92	Alumni	47
Basement	91	Badin	41
Morrissey	89	St. Edward's	33
Howard	70	Sorin	<u>23</u>
			1039 Total.

Of course, no telegram reporting that miserable support could be sent to the team. The players have had enough discouragement from injuries, criticism from "fair-weather" friends; -- and now indifference to injuries by the student body.

Late sleeping is no excuse: not with three chapels for late distribution of Communion, two of them until 9:15; one until noon.

Indifference and laziness are the only excuse for that showing. Maybe a defeat will wake you up.

Pick a Saint for Heaven.

The Navy game is over, but the Novena for Poor Souls isn't. Start tomorrow a Novena of nine Masses and Communions.

Every day it is possible to earn a plenary indulgence for a Poor Soul by reciting after Communion the prayer "O good Jesus..." (see page 18, Purple Prayer book or last Wednesday's Bulletin), followed by some prayers for the Pope's intention.

A plenary indulgence is the remission of all temporal punishment still due to sin after the sin itself has been forgiven. If a soul in Purgatory receives the full benefit of a plenary indulgence it goes straight to Heaven. The perfection of the dispositions of the person performing the good work to which the indulgence is attached is known only to God, consequently, we do not know how much benefit comes to the souls for whom we offer our prayers and good works. However, that is a matter which we can safely leave in the hands of God. On our part, the thing to do is to offer for the Poor Souls all the indulgences we can.

Every Poor Soul liberated by your prayers will be your special advocate in Heaven now and, especially, when you are in Purgatory.

PRAYERS: (deceased) relative of W. DeCoursey (Dil.); mother of Bro. Loyola, C.S.C.; friends of Bob Nelson (Car.). Ill. friend of P. Lorenz. Right sp. ints.