

Benediction  
Poor Soul's  
Novena, 5 P.M.

University of Notre Dame  
Religious Bulletin  
November 4, 1941

Nick Palella  
still needs  
prayers

-----

Welcome. Well!?

We thought there was some undercurrent of spirit underneath the apathy of the last two years. There were some indications that only a spark was needed. Was it lit Monday morning? Time will tell. Everybody was there, we guess; even the Gold-Coast and if the Gold-Coast shows up at anything (besides a dance) it's a foregone conclusion that the rest were there.

Yes, everyone was there (including Coach Leahy in the distance who brought Mrs. Leahy out when he heard a welcome was brewing). Now we're going to see if the fundamental spirit of Notre Dame is rising up: whether it will be shown in the chapels first, (with the football men leading the way), with a greater spirit of leadership and sacrifice, with a greater spirit of cooperation and trust towards the priests, brothers and administration.

The students realized vaguely these last two or three years that something was wrong. There was too much apathy and "sophomoritis" generally toward all things; - most realized that at times. Any priest could have told you the reason: lack of the religious spirit of Notre Dame. But you had to find that out for yourselves - or have you?

Why didn't the student-body go down to the train? No one stopped them or said; "No," but when the promoters saw certain obstacles and problems of past years including one accidental death, several injuries, a bill for considerable damages on the last one 5 years ago, well, they prudently thought otherwise. They saw there was some wisdom behind the University's policy and desire to protect the students. There usually is even if the students or leaders or critics won't come around to listen to the reason. There usually is some reason and wisdom - developed during 99 years of educating some of the finest Catholic youth in the world.

Want a Dry Navy Field?

The Welcome, of course, interfered with the beginning of the Novena for the Poor Souls.

Bear down now and give a rally for the Poor Souls. They need it. They are your friends, brothers in the Mystical Body of Christ. They're certainly down and they're utterly helpless, unless you give them a boost with Masses, prayers, indulgences and mortifications. Hand in names to be included in 9 Novena Masses and pray.

The boys would like a dry Navy field. The Poor Souls have plenty of extra heat and fire. You give them help: they might trade a little heat and fire for a dry field.

Incidentally you can't find a single nun in the country who doesn't believe that the Poor Souls won the famous 1935 Ohio State game on All Souls Day by 18-13 with 3 N.D. touchdowns in the last quarter, two in the last 5 minutes, one on a pass on the last play of the game. Hand in names and pray if you have any N.D. spirit of charity.

Lest We Forget - and More Later.

1. National Art Week - your own N.D. artists' exhibition at Library.
2. Catholic Book Week - your own Catholic books at Prefect of Religion Libraries - and Main Library.
3. A reader of the Bulletin sent in \$10 for Pete, and Fort Wayne Catholic Central High School Students (Pete's High School) have collected \$35.
4. Don't forget to put on a gas mask before going into the room of any freshman who thinks it collegiate to play the part of a foul-mouth.

PRAYERS: (deceased) Another N.D. air cadet killed in crash - Ollie ('39), brother of Hans Helland (Dil); Fr. J. J. Hynes, friend of Bob Chapman (Cav); friend of W. Meir (Al); mother of Armiger Sommers (Wal). Ill, friend of Roy Gardner (Car); brother of Owen McGreevy (B-P); uncle of Bernard Jozwiak (B-P). 5 special intentions.