

(FOR THE CATHOLIC STUDENT AT NOTRE DAME)

Critically Ill:

Ensign Maurice Heneault, ex '44,  
brother of Bob (BP)

University of Notre Dame

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Seriously Ill: brother  
of Pat Condon (Z); mother  
of Jim Molidor (BP)

Our War Dead.

They died for you -- fifty-five Notre Dame men in World War I and ninety-six in World War II.

Memorial Day is meant to bring back the memory of these gallant defenders of their country. There will be a grand display at the Military Mass next Sunday. You will see the flags of all the nations and the banners of the Service units on the campus. You will hear the bugle call you to Mass, taps and the firing of guns in salute to the dead. The military effect is not to draw you to itself, but to the memory of the boys who died that others might live.

Your ball guest will be there Sunday with your friends, shipmates and fellow students, your teachers, and many mothers and fathers. And Christ will be there too. If you forget this fact, you will miss the essence of the Memorial Service at Notre Dame.

Christ will come from Heaven to the altar set up in the Memorial Entrance of the Church. He will come to pray to His Father for the Notre Dame War Dead, for all the War Dead, among them your dear friends.

You will attend the Military Mass with a high and sacred motive, the same motive in the heart of Christ -- to pray for the repose of our dead.

Form a true picture of the day. Thousands standing with Christ around the altar offering again the Sacrifice of Christ, thereby releasing many souls from Purgatory and shortening the suffering of others. It is possible to empty Purgatory next Sunday, if all are fervent in prayer.

Patriotism is love of country. A country is made up of individual souls. It is part of true patriotism to pray for those servicemen who have died that they may receive their eternal reward.

Your Mass on Memorial Day will not be complete without Holy Communion. Make your charity towards the dead perfect by offering your Communion for them.

Most Recent Casualties.

Killed in Action: Captain John F. Finn, '35, of Springfield Gardens, New York City. Lieut. Walter I. Koness, ex. '43, Chicago, Illinois. Missing in Action: Lieut. Francis R. Huisking, '37, Huntington, L.I., New York, brother of Lieut. Richard, ex. '39, Lieut. Edward, '37, Sgt. William, '34 and Charles Jr., '34.

A Special Request.

"God was merciful to me in my last request and so I am again asking that I may be relieved of my illness. To refresh your memory, I was released last August as an apparently arrested case. I was just about to have my family rejoin me when I was told that my case would need to be hospitalized again. It is that God through Our Lady will see fit to let me again join my family, that I ask the prayers of Notre Dame. So I now go into my fifth year of bed rest assured that prayers are being sent heavenward to me. This is a consolation that only those who have long been sick and who have seen death's face can truly feel. Sincerely,  
Phil Bondi, '37, Municipal Sanitarium, Rockford, Illinois."

PRAYERS: (deceased) James Oliver Jr., former student; Mrs. Jennie Sutton, sister of Honorable G. A. Farabaugh; son of former Prof. R. L. Greene; mother of Prof. Simon; mother of Knute Rockne; Commander Milton Fairchild, formerly of N.D. V-7. (Ill) W. B. Nolan, father of Lieut. John, '41 and Lieut. William, '38 and brother-in-law of Art Haley of Public Relations Dept.