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Letters of Gratitude.

"I wish to thank you very very much for your lovely Christmas remembrance. It brings back such lovely memories of Spiritual Bouquets sent me by my son on Christmas days gone by. I have here now the Christmas card of the Grotto in a snow scene he sent me his last year at Notre Dame. I thank God he had those four lovely years, those wonderful years that made of him the man he was when he died. It is a very lovely thing for the students of Notre Dame to do and I know my son in Heaven is thanking them also." . . . Mrs. Charles Deger.

"Dear Ones of Notre Dame. . . We find it hard to express our sincere thanks for all you have done and are doing for Jack and us. Your prayers have given us a clearer understanding, and we know God hears and answers those that love Him. We know He is taking care of our dear boy--so hard to give up. May I send Jack's best wishes to the school he loved?" . . Mrs. Sprague.

"We are writing to thank you for the Spiritual Bouquet which you sent us for Edward. No other card that came at Christmas meant so much to us. Edward has been a prisoner of war in Germany a year last September. In his first letter to us from there he said he couldn't speak of his recent experience, but he was neither crippled nor wounded, for which he thanked God, claiming he was alive today because of his devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. When I write to him I will be so pleased to tell him of the Spiritual Bouquet and I know it will make him happy to know that he is remembered by the students at Notre Dame." . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller.

"No gift, regardless of its monetary value, could make so touching an appeal to us as parents, as that of the Spiritual Bouquet sent us from the students of the University of Notre Dame. We wish to express our reverent and sincere thanks for the prayers offered for the repose of the soul of our son, and our gratitude to you for your thoughtful solicitude."

. . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bebeau.

"It is through you that we desire to express our appreciation of the student body of Notre Dame who in their prayers were so thoughtful and generous by remembering our boy Paul. Our expectations for Paul's safe return have been lifted by their sincere act of Christian love." . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kashmer.

The Last Days Of A Notre Dame Man.

Kenneth Duffy died at Scott Field, Illinois, May 26, 1944, as the result of very serious burns which he received in an explosion there on May 15. He was a member of the class of '43. His wife sends in this inspiring paragraph:

"Just a touch of something that is like Notre Dame-- Ken received Communion every day during those eleven days at Scott Field. Many times he was so delirious he didn't know me, his wife, or his mother and father. But strange the power of Christ, he knew the priest and did exactly as Father told him. (His lips were so badly burned he had to take water before and after receiving the Host.)"

PRAYERS: (deceased) grandfather of Anthony Camperlengo, '36 (Anniv); James Deery, '10; Wilmer Finch, '16; mother of Bill Carnahan, '45; mother of Paul '31, Vincent '34, Louis '37, Gene '42 Fehlig. (Ill) Mrs. Samuel Riddle, serious; mother of Bitsy Repilado (Sor), serious operation; brother of Tim Toomey, '30, wounded 2nd time.