

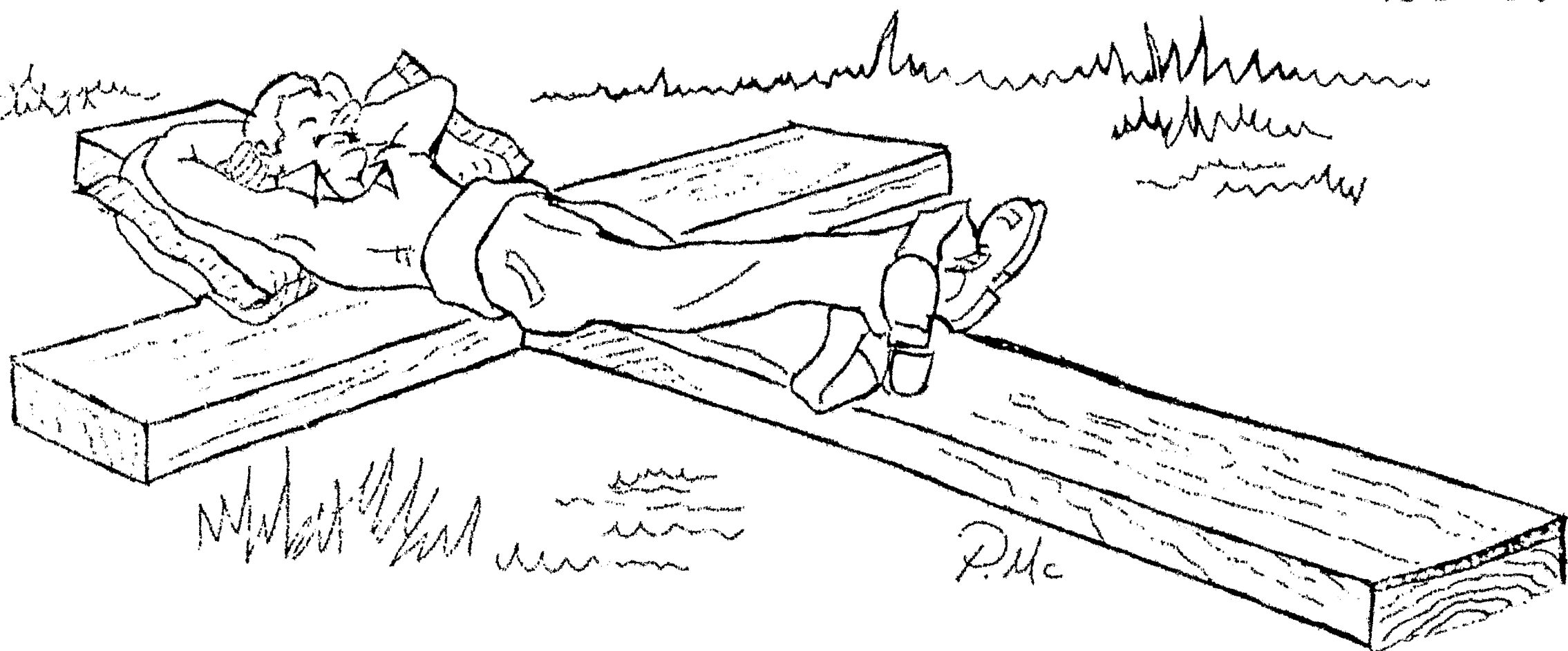
Please: Floyd Blair needs
your prayers at Mass and
Communion...Let Morrisseyites..

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...turn out for him 100%.
(Floyd was unconscious more
than 114 hours.)

Lying Down On The Job.

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Your job is to pick it up and carry it. "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me....For what does it profit a man, if he gain the whole world, but suffer the loss of his own soul?"

The Scribes and chief priests on Calvary didn't want a cross-carrying Messiah! "Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe him." That seems to be the particular brand of Christianity some want today. They want the whole world and heaven too. Not through self-denial but through self-indulgence, not by carrying the cross of Christ daily but by lying down on the job.

Self-denial means putting order in your life, setting for yourself a scale of eternal values--frustrating sinful desires and cultivating the virtuous, thinking what Christ thinks, wanting what Christ wants, placing your happiness where Christ places His.

Carrying your cross does not mean neglecting frequent or daily Communion. Never again in your life will you have so many opportunities for cultivating devotion to the Eucharist at Mass, receiving the Bread of Life, the pledge of immortality.

Christ offers you a definite number of graces each day. If you refuse these graces, they will never--get that word, N E V E R--be offered to you again. Frequently you will read reports about moral collapses in adult life. But if you become a daily Communicant now and make devotion to the Eucharist an integral part of your everyday life, you will not have to worry about a collapse in your own adult life.

Carrying your cross does not mean neglecting necessary confessions. God knows how many there are with a hidden sin locked away in the vault of conscience and paying blackmail to the devil. Either ashamed or afraid of confession....or, because the sin has such a hold on them, they don't want to give it up. More and more sins are committed. Moral sense is dulled by that sin they won't confess. Other sins become easier now....But the vault of conscience must inevitably be opened and these hidden sins exposed. He who has paid blackmail to the devil in this life must now start paying all over again in hell....What tragic foolishness! He could have cleared himself at the Start--at Notre Dame--by opening the deposit box of conscience in the secrecy of the confessional.

Prayers: (ILL) gr'father of J. Gulde (Cav); mother of M. Perino (Cav.); cousin of T. Foster (Za); Mrs. M. Barry; friend of H. Siemonama (Dil) uncle of F. Whaelen; Mr. Campnell.