

Start thinking seniors. . .	University of Notre Dame	. . . about general confessions,
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Holy Hour, 4:30 tomorrow. .	May 16, 1951	. . Hymns at Grotto tonight.
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Oh! What A Beautiful Day!

At Notre Dame yesterday, the weather was warm, the sky was blue, the steam-shovel along-side Dillon was biting holes in the spouting fresh green. During the lull between Communions, a message and an envelope were deposited in the lair of the Bull-etin.

The message read: "\$115 for the Jim Aoki Fund--Walsh Hall." Despite its optimism, that Jim Aoki's classmates, known and unknown, will come through, the Bulletin cannot promise a decisive victory for charity; however, this will not be because of the thoughtfulness and generosity of the men of Walsh and the other 107 who have not passed the buck but have given it without stint. There are other reasons.

The fund now stands at \$307. This amount includes \$25 contributed by the father of a personal friend of Jim's. . . As you saunter across campus on two healthy legs, remember that a classmate of yours from Badin has lost the use of his legs in that unfortunate auto accident last Easter. . . and will not walk again.

From The Campus Gripevine.

In this cluster there are the sour and the sweet. "Dear Father," writes Transfer Student, "I was deeply impressed by the large number of communicants at the 9 o'clock Mass. If that was indicative of how well they went at other Masses, the turn-out for Mother's Day must have been successful. However, I can't for the life of me understand why everyone did not receive. . ."

The total Communions received, according to actual count, was 2,582. Why didn't all go? The Bulletin won't guess. A list of possible reasons will not exclude the excuses. Here goes:

1. Forgetfulness that Sunday was Mother's Day. Understandable in those whose hometraining was deficient. Mothers do spoil their children.
2. Inadvertantly the Eucharistic fast might have been broken.
3. Run-of-the-mill phobias are involved in absenteeism at the altar rails: such as ochlophobia, the fear of crowds; claustrophobia, the fear of closed places--confessionals, for example; neophobia, the fear of the new or unfamiliar--weekly Communion, let us say; anthrophobia, the fear of men, or of being a man; sanctiphobia, the fear of becoming too holy; monophobia, the fear of solitude, or of being eased out of the vaudeville circuit by "fast stoppers" who don't receive either; pedisphobia, those with sore feet who got off on the wrong foot last September; algophobia, the fear of pain involved in doing real penance for mortal sin; theophobia, the fear of God, or the failure to comprehend His mercy.
4. Dwindling faith, or the progressive inability to understand frequent Communion as the Food of the strong and the Medicine for the weak.
5. Subjectivism, or the selfish desirability of adoring God the way "they" want to instead of the way God wants them to. These are Religious Liberals.
6. Those who receive during the week but lose out on weekends, forgetting that the Devil invented Saturday night when people started to go to Communion on Sunday morning.
7. The sick who are trying to coax back into life a stomach that too frequently is overloaded with beer, and who, therefore, get the hiccups when they fast.

Prayers: (deceased) Dr. Jesse H. Roth, '10; father of Dick Creavy, '40; friend of Jim Blum, killed in Korea. Ill, critically, friend of Howard Phillips; Sr. Cecilian, C.S.C.