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Sorrowful Mother Novena Tonight.

Sacred Heart Church has been packed each Friday night since the Novena was inaugurated, March 7. This devotion is not merely a "pious extra," but a true focusing of our attention on the Sorrows of Mary. For a very human but divine reason God wants us to go to Him through her. It's a sure way for those who venture upon it.

No Fight.

Take this for what it's worth. In the Trib Wednesday there was a report on page 3 on the lack of fighting spirit in the boys in Korea. Apart from all reasons pro and con for the war that isn't a war, we do not like to hear of inferred cowardice.

When a report is published that the majority of military age Americans are unable to fight as combat riflemen, we begin to think of hogwash or eyewash. The reasons given for this "no-guts" spirit are what interest us. According to army reports, the American way of life has lacked discipline and masculine dominance in family life.

The cure advocated? "We've got to start bringing up the next generation free, all the way from conception to draft age, from the softening family feminism and lack of paternal control of modern boys."

Faith Still Lives.

Those of you who haven't enough faith to walk a few feet to the chapel in the morning to begin your day with God, should profit by reading reports in the Catholic press of Catholics behind the Iron Curtain, Bamboo Curtain and every other kind of curtain, who risk death to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion.

There was a considerable drop in the number of recipients Wednesday and Thursday. Some who did well by themselves during Lent seem to think that moral development, like soldiers on the march, must sit down and rest awhile.

"From Here To Eternity."

May Catholic Digest quotes Quote: Jones, author of From Here to Eternity, was challenged by a reviewer. The novel could have been written without resort to dirty words, the reviewer said. . . "But everyone knows all the words," said Jones. "It's just a mutual agreement not to use them in public."

The critic nodded. "And that agreement," he told Jones, "is what we call civilization."

Good Men Doing Something.

Edmund Burke said that all evil needed to triumph is that good men do nothing. Father Leo R. Ward in the lead article of the Catholic Digest for May points out that good men are doing something--something positive and constructive; they are ill content to sit around smoking cigarettes, griping to high heaven--then doing nothing.

Many groups of young people, writes Father Ward, take a positive view toward the building of the Kingdom. Events have wakened them: wars and the papal teaching on social problems. Vigorous young family groups in Chicago, South Bend, Milwaukee, St. Louis, and St. Paul, among many places, represent the Church in its new age. The young people are remaking their communities, like the people we read about in FRANCE ALIVE, MISSION TO THE POOREST, PRIEST-WORKMAN IN GERMANY.

Prayers: (deceased) Mrs. Amelia Oberst. 7 special intentions.