Our Lady of Victory has been the Patroness of the three games we have played with team from California. Each time her medal has been buried under the Notre Dame goal post. Each time her colors have emerged victorious. Each time her honor has been enhanced.

Before the game Don Maxwell said in the Chicago Tribune: "Tickets for this Notre Dame battle are harder to get than were the tickets for the Army-Navy battle. The stadium has been sold out further in advance. New seats have been placed in the stadium and they are all sold. Chicago newspapers haven't given half the space to the game that they gave to the game last year. There is no championship at stake. Notre Dame has been beaten once and tied once. Southern California is a great team, but it, too, has played to a tie. So you see what a tribute the sellout is to the drawing power of Notre Dame."

It means something when one hundred and twenty thousand people will assemble to see eleven young men do rough and humble and honest homage to a Lady who stands for all the ideals the world scorns. It must make people think.

Now Let's Reorganize.

Perhaps you haven't been any crazier than the rest of the world through the football season, but whatever the cause -- football or drowsiness caused by overeating -- the horrible grades you are sending home this quarter mean that it is time to get busy. Please make note of the following events:

1. Father Donahue's third spiritual conference will be given this evening at seven o'clock in the south basement of the Library (not the Basement Chapel; Scholastic reporters please note);

2. The Novena for Purity (the annual Novena in honor of the Immaculate Conception) begins tomorrow and ends Wednesday, December 7; receive Holy Communion and say the Litany of the Blessed Virgin daily during the nine days;

3. The Knights of Columbus will have their annual Requiem Mass for deceased members on Wednesday morning at 6:20 in the church;

4. Next Friday is the First Friday of December;

5. The Spiritual Bouquet for Christmas that you expect to present to your parer should be gathered now. The offerings to be included consist of Holy Communions, Visits, Masses, Aspirations, Mortifications, Rosaries, and the Novena for Christmas. The time of this Novena will be announced later.

There is no need to tell you again that the state of grace and the additional graces you receive in Holy Communion are of the greatest possible benefit to you in your studies. If you are faithful to your spiritual exercises and will accept the help of your professors (if need be) in the organization of your work, you may be sure of a reasonable amount of success.

Prayers.

Five special intentions, three persons who are ill, and two deceased persons are recommended to your prayers. Cardinal Bonzano, who died in Rome Saturday morning, is deserving of your earnest prayers. He was a great friend of Notre Dame. The University was one of the first places he visited when he came to this country as Apostolic Delegate in 1912, and he showed us many favors. He was the Papal Legate to the Eucharist Congress last year.