Questions From The Questionnaire.

99. What (theologically) is obscenity in print?
Ans. Ask your mother. That's one of the things you should have learned from her.

100. What is the purpose of this survey?
Ans. It is discussed at length in the introduction to the Survey published a year ago.

101. How many children should a family of moderate means have?
Ans. If you let God settle that your conscience won't bother you in later years.

102. Why is the grandiloquence of the Pope justified?
Ans. If you will give us an idea of what you mean we will try to give you an answer.

103. Of what value is a Catholic education?
Ans. You should repeat your freshman mission: you missed the point of it. Meanwhile, read, "Your Son's Education," by Frank Spearman, and "Ideals of Youth," by Bishop Spalding.

104. Why are priests so narrow-minded?
Ans. Any sane man is narrow-minded in matters of truth, matters of principle. No man who knows he is right can legitimately admit that a man in error may be right. On the other hand, the priest's broad experience, plus the grace of God, makes him, more than any other class of men, tolerant of the weaknesses of human nature. The sinner who seeks help finds his most sympathetic listener in the priest. -- That is not the point of your question, however. You call a priest narrow-minded because he administers discipline without fear or favor. It is a thankless job - this correction of bull-headed youngsters - but it is a divinely appointed one and the priest does it from a sense of duty. Read the Book of Proverbs if you want to know what the Holy Ghost has ordered for the correction of stubborn youth.

105. Should a fellow suggest to his girl friend that she attend the Sacraments more often?
Ans. It has been done - with excellent results sometimes. It is a sad commentary on the times when it has to be done. A generation ago, when women were themselves, their own sweet modest selves, when they were true to the modesty and reserve with which nature has endowed them, their strong instinct for religion had a chance to assert itself and they were regarded as far more religious than men. When the Seventeenth Amendment was added to the Constitution (did you ever notice how quickly it was followed by the Eighteenth?) a great many women got the notion that the constitution now made them what God never intended them to be - man's rival instead of his complement. Many threw reserve and modesty to the winds, and the other protecting intuitions which depended on them were swept aside. That is why boys nowadays naturally feel that men are by nature more religious than women. It's sad.

106. Give a list of American writers who are on the Index.
Ans. You would probably not recognize the names that are listed; and we are not advertising the dirty works of those who are prohibited by the general decree.

107. Just what do the ostrich post cards mean?
Ans. They are what you might call teasers - something to make you wonder why.
PRAYERS: Deceased - an aunt of George Aug; two friends of students. Ill - relatives of Sister Stanislava, C.S.C., Ernest Hochinger, Francis J. Dunn; a student's pastor. Thanksgiving for a recovery. Four special intentions. (Tomorrow is the birthday of Bishop Chartrand, who supplies your purple prayer books; don't forget him in your Holy Communion.)