Cooperation is the watchword of the year. Well, there has been encouraging cooperation ever since September. Thanks very much for that.

On the campus Holy Communions have averaged 1450 daily, an increase over last year of 125 a day. Attendance at week-day Masses has been growing, and now, with the $100 gift of the Knights of Columbus for missals (accompanied by the pledge of the Knights to foster among their own members individual participation in the Mass) daily devotion to the Mass should reach a new high between now and Commencement.

Thanks to the generosity of students and of readers of the Bulletin throughout the country, $426.23 has been sent to Father Massart in India for the education of four catechists; so far a fund of $336.11 has accumulated for the general Bengal Mission in India.

For the earthquake victims in Helena we have turned in your Christmas gift of over $220.63; and contributions are still coming in. To Father Barron in Korea we sent, just before Christmas, $84.26 of your money. Those accounts we shall keep open for further contributions.

We are distributing freely on the campus and through the mail 5800 copies of the daily Religious Bulletin. So far $363.75 has been received in voluntary contributions to the Bulletin Fund.

About 18,000 books and pamphlets, more than 3500 scapular medals and chains, many crucifixes, St. Joseph’s cords, Sacred Heart badges, and medals have been given away. We have a new library of 115 of the best modern Catholic books at the disposal of those students who care for good literature.

Your large spiritual bouquet was sent for Christmas to the mothers and fathers of the six Notre Dame students who have died since June.

Not a day goes by without its quota of encouraging letters. Here are samples: from the Franciscan Friars of St. Anthony-on-Hudson: "We thank you for permitting us to share in the spirit of Notre Dame; may we participate in the Christmas Spiritual Bouquet by offering our gifts in the manner of the Magi: Gold, 127 Holy Communions; Myrrh, 149 Masses heard and 135 recitations of the Divine Office; Incense, 149 visits to the Blessed Sacrament, 124 Stations of the Cross, and 97 Franciscan Crowns united with the spirit of soraphic love of the Sons of Our Lady of the Golden Dome."

From the novices and postulants of Mt. St. Francis, Dubuque, Iowa, another large addition to the Bouquet: 100 Masses, 90 Holy Communions, 158 Ways of the Cross; 144 visits; 191 Spiritual Communions; 3600 ejaculations; 718 Mortifications.

And from the members of the Priests’ Aid Club of the 7th and 8th grade pupils of Saint Mary’s School, Carlyle, Illinois, their combined Masses and Communions on one Saturday and Sunday.

Money is an important thing, but a spiritual treasury of united prayers and works is incomparably greater. To everyone who has contributed to this treasury, we give special thanks.

Let us for the New Year thank God an our Blessed Lady, and continue in the charity of unity, the charity for which Our Lord prayed the night before He died. In this spirit we can go on and together accomplish greater things before June. A holy and happy New Year!