Get Set For The First Mission!

September 20-26—First week for all freshmen, and for the sophomores of Morrissey, Lyons and Badin Halls.

(September 27-October 3—Second week for all other students.)

Playboy-Richman and lion-hearted Merrill are back from London. They bucked headwinds and heavy weather most of the way across the rough, icy waters of the North Atlantic. They reached Newfoundland because they pointed the nose of their plane in the right direction and held it there at all costs.

You’re starting another leg of an all-important journey—to Heaven, let’s hope. You can’t afford to play around in circles. You can’t afford to guess about the course that you’re on; you must know.

Above all, if, for the last week or month or year, you’ve headed straight for destruction at the bottom of the sea, don’t try to kid yourself and others that everything’s o.k. Get the point?

Notre Dame exists, primarily, to help you through a swingy, thoughtless, sinful world, to Heaven. That is why she always opens the scholastic year with a mission—to get you set, to give you essential lessons in spiritual and moral piloting; lessons that should take you through mirage and fog and sleet and driving winds—to the destination you must reach.

The preacher won’t mince words. If you think that creased trousers, oil on the hair, polish on the shoes, make you a gentleman; if you think your soul is safe simply because people take you for a "nice fellow," you’ll be quickly disillusioned.

If you came to Notre Dame to live the life of an intelligent Catholic gentleman, to learn how to make the most of your talents and opportunities, the mission will ease and comfort and strengthen you—and bring you priceless knowledge.

The first mission starts next Sunday night at 7:30, when the big bell booms. Sermons and services of the mission—both night and morning—are in the main church.

For the sake of thick, stupid fellows who can’t think and act for themselves, this: attendance at all the services, night and morning, is expected of you, if you’re enrolled as a freshman, or if you’re a sophomore living in Morrissey, Lyons, or Badin Hall.

You, who are to make the first mission, get set for Sunday night!

Mission Masses.

Join, during the mission, in offering your Mass and Holy Communion in union with the intention of the celebrant. Intentions for the first week:

Monday—for Father Hteuwland;
Tuesday—for Father Boyle;
Wednesday—for William Barnett;
Thursday—for the next one of us to die;
Friday—for Henry Curtin;
Saturday—for Frs. McGarry and MacDonald.

PRAYERS: (deceased) father of John P. Sullivan (Badin); friend of a student. Ill, father of Edward T. McDermott (Fresh.); Tom McCann of Purdue, brother of Brother Mal, C.S.C.; Mr. William N. Jew, West Chester, Penn.; John Drake, James Maloney, Lowell Decker, Pat Malasky—all injured in Purdue explosion. 1 spec. int. of Mr. B.J. O'Kron.