(1) From John Erskine's article, "Crazy Education":

"Where morality—that is, personal obligation and responsibility—is not taught from the home up, the educational system becomes first an expensive folly, then an organized racket.

"Before I attempt to make good this charge, I must notice two exceptions. The military schools, particularly the academies at West Point and Annapolis, teach responsibility and train character. Preparation for war should not be the chief business of civilized society, but the soldier-making institutions are still the only schools which within their field develop measurably the character as well as the brain.

"The schools which prepare for peace don't think, apparently, that the peaceful need courage, or endurance, of the spirit of devotion. That is, with the other exception which in justice should be named, the Roman Catholic schools. They, too, inculcate a system of personal ethics; they, too, educate their students in matter of character.

(2) From Fred Suite's ('30) diary of trip in the "iron lung" from Peiping to Chicago:

"During our three-day stay in Shanghai I was a guest at the Shanghai General Hospital, which is municipally owned, but operated by the Sisters of St. Francis. They really treated me royally, going to no end of trouble in their efforts to make me comfortable. The food was excellent; far superior to what one might obtain at the Hotel. On the second morning, Father Moore, a fellow patient, brought me the Blessed Sacrament and on the following morning, which was Sunday, the Nun had arranged for Mass to be celebrated right outside my door. Joy of joys—I cannot express the thrill experienced during the Holy Ceremony after having been away from it for fourteen months. I soon learned that the State of Alabama is only 2 per cent Catholic. Few people come 50 miles on Sunday to Mass. New Orleans is the only Catholic stronghold in the South. The Father who receives Holy Communion is inspiring."

(3) From Dick Swisher of this year's senior class who was injured last fall:

"Naturally I was disappointed in not being able to re-enter Notre Dame this fall. I am still in braces, and it would have been impossible for me to have made it alone. My right leg is mending finally, and I should be able to take the braces off of it in a month or so. Don't worry, I am not depending on it too much. I've found that it doesn't pay to depend on something like that until the time comes. That way you don't get your heart broken so often. There is a bone condition in my left ankle that doesn't seem to be clearing up quite as rapidly as I would like, but we hope it will in time. That is what causes the pain in the ankle. The phlebitis in my left leg is leaving me with a trick leg that will always swell to a certain amount."

(4) From Basil Gillespie ('37/second morning, Father Moore, a fellow patient, brought me the Blessed Sacrament and on the following morning, which was Sunday, the Nun had arranged for Mass to be celebrated right outside my door. Joy of joys—I cannot express the thrill experienced during the Holy Ceremony after having been away from it for fourteen months. I soon learned that the State of Alabama is only 2 per cent Catholic. Few people come 50 miles on Sunday to Mass. New Orleans is the only Catholic stronghold in the South. The Father who receives Holy Communion is inspiring."

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