For years now Notre Dame has been keeping tabs on vital statistics. She has found that your Holy Communions are a fair measure of the spiritual life of the campus. Thank God, so far this year a healthy average increase of forty-three Holy Communions a day over last year shows that Notre Dame's pulse beats steady and strong.

September 1937 (fifteen school days) 21,739 Holy Communions. 1449 a day.
September 1938 (fifteen school days) 22,376 Holy Communions. 1492 a day.

In fairness, perhaps this increase should be shaved down just a little. Twenty-five more Catholic students are enrolled this year:


But speaking of your spiritual health chart, now (before your trip to New York or your "escapades" elsewhere) is the time to reflect that a bad weekend would give Notre Dame's pulse the jitters. Worse still, it would injure the Sacred Heart of Our Lord. So, let no one include in his plans even one deliberate venial sin.

Bread Pudding For Boys Town.

You've been coming through swell with your contributions for Father Flanagan's kids:

Anonymously left at 106 Howard, $7.50  
Mr. Lunn, $5.00
Bad Boys of Badin, 7.00  
Topflighters of Cavanaugh, 3.00
Roughnecks of Brownson, 6.54  
Pittsburgh alumni, '32, 3.00
Graduate Students in Social Work, 6.00  
Dillonites, 3.20
"Met" Club (Boroughs & Westchester), 5.00  
"Others", 5.60
Gentlemen of Walsh, 5.00

Total to date, $54.84

Some halls not represented. Yet, that's understood. No campaign was formed, no collectors appointed. Everything strictly voluntary. Besides, with games on the weekends, dances to think of, what-not else, the fund has done very well. The Monogram Club is going to vote something, also the Sophomore Cotillon (those good old "sophs"). And we understand (sh-sh, this is just an "inkle") the S.A.C. has something slipping down its sleeve. We especially like the spirit behind the "Met" Club's surpport. They are staging a definite comeback. Let's all keep working together. And, listen, you boys at Boys Town, pray hard that all Notre Dame men will spend a good weekend. Pray that the few who have needed to "give us a buzz" will press their thumb against the buzzer tonight or tomorrow. If confession's needed, it's the very first step to a happy weekend, to happiness anytime.

He Mustn't Be Left Alone.

With so many away after Friday noon, old Faithfuls staying behind are asked to continue the Adoration. The hours have been greatly shortened: Friday, Saturday and Monday 7:30 to 10:30 A.M., closing with the Beads and Benediction. Sunday 3:30 to 7:30 P.M.—one Benediction.

The regular adorers can fill Friday morning till 10:30. Will volunteers for the other periods sign up with the Prefect of Religion and his assistants? Many thanks.

PRAYERS: (deceased) Margaret L. St. John, friend of Santo Belli; friend of And Valley (Al.); Sister Malachy, C.S.C. (St. Ed's Hall with Minims); father of George Mack (old student); friend of James Dugan (Brownson). Ill, sister of Chauncey Rooney '31 (seriously); (critically) mother of Thomas Galligan '32; father of Frank Halihan '35; friend of Jim Duggan (Brownson); friend of J. Petersen (Brownson). Two special intentions.