What The Doctors Say About Belting.

"After the examination was over they summed up their consultation and agreed that I have about six months to live. Well, Father, after I got over the first scare, I started to laugh. Of course, none of those docs were Notre Dame men and they wouldn't understand. But had they known that at that very moment a Novena was in progress on the campus and that I was to share in all the prayers and Holy Communions, they certainly would have changed their diagnosis. They simply don't know what it means to have 2500 or more sons of Notre Dame bombarding the gates of heaven. Why, Notre Dame herself can't let her own boys down, can she?

"But even if the medics are right and my time is about up, I still have the laugh on them. You know, Father, I'm just about coward enough to want to give up this life of pain and suffering and not man enough to cry out with Saint Francis Xavier, "More to suffer, My God, ah, more!" *** What the docs would surely fail to realize is that in any case, I win, for the prayers and Communions and Masses the boys at N.D. are offering up for me are mine. They'll be stored up and waiting for me when I die and will they ever shorten my stay in Purgatory? *** So, I've got 'em coming and going. Thank the gang for me, Father. With their backing I can't lose.

"Incidentally I Hail Mary'd Greg Rice all around the twenty-two laps of the Madison Square Garden oval the other night as I listened to the broadcast of the Millrose Games. *** Give my best regards and assurance of prayers to all the fellows."

What Are You Going To Do?

Class of '34, one of ND's many "reg'lar fellows" and he's flat on his back when you can be chasing around at will. *** It's early yet to compute the figures on this Novena. One thing is sure: it lags behind last year's when you came through so swell for Van Wallace and Freddie Snie. *** Isn't George Belting's plea in itself enough to make you want to do something hard for him? Get up with the bell, wash in a jiffy, make the whole Mass and Holy Communion Friday and Saturday. Only your importunity will give George a new opportunity. Go to it!

Pretty Little Tombstone.

A little lass from a school in Washington sends this picture to her beau in Cavanaugh Hall. She drew the sketch. The Bulletin draws up an application for some of you.

Atheists in practice are those impractical Catholics who stay away from the Sacraments month after month, afraid of confession and cool toward Christ in Holy Communion.

Why are they atheists of a sort? Because, though christened as Catholics, they live day to day as though there were no God. Yet God still calls them. They know where to go.

Seventeenth Anniversary of the Holy Father's Coronation.

"A Rosary Tribute" has been planned by the Dominican Fathers in cooperation with the National Broadcasting Company in a world-wide recitation of Five Glorious Mysteries this Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock campus time. Tune in. Yourself say the beads. It is all for the Vicar of Christ who has done so much for you and the world.

PRAYERS: (deceased) father of Joseph and C.J. Devine; Brother John Augustine, C.F.X. (Danvers, Mass.); Mr. J. R. Epping (Toronto); Mr. Eugene Phillips (Grand Rapids); Rev. Edward Costello (Brooklyn).