

Hard Times.

A public conscience can do a lot to meet a situation tonight. A certain bunch-abums plan high revelry -- of the kind out of keeping with Catholic principles and Notre Dame ideals. These constitute the loud but weak minority. The public conscience of the orderly majority can take care of them.

How They Get That Way.

Weakness is one thing; malice is quite another. A weak person falls under stress of temptation; malice plans sin. How can a maliciously disreputable person get into college? He pays his way, and the world applauds his ways. The psychology of low ideals is well put by Father Hull in "Collapses in Adult Life", recently quoted:

List of Degeneracies.

- "1. Disorderly family life; slovenliness, carelessness, extravagance and wastefulness resulting in impoverishment, and a general lowering of family tone.
- "2. Quarrelling and ill-temper in the family, loss of love and affection bickerings and unpleasantness.
- "3. Gossiping, tattling, scandalmongering, envies, jealousies and dislikes among neighbors; cliques, animosities and the like.
- "4. Gradually slipping into the habit of drink, and all the miseries and degradations which follow both to the person himself and to his family and his social and business environment.
- "5. Trifling with the love instinct, philanderings, flirtations and intimacies which are not only submersive on a good tone in those who indulge in them, but are the thin edge of dangers innumerable, and the roads to ruin.
- "6. Going the whole hog in the matter of licentious indulgences, secretly or openly, in thought, word or deed.
- "7. Loss of integrity in office work, perquisites, commissions and bribes, corrupt favoritism, entering into dishonest and deceitful schemes.
- "8. Gradual neglect of family or personal prayers, of attendance at Mass or the Sacraments, lapsing into indifferentism and practical loss of religion.

The Pledge

"I promise, in memory of the Sacred Passion of Our Lord and His Thirst upon the Cross, to abstain from all intoxicating liquors until one week after graduation."

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"He who dances must pay the fiddler; and, gentleman, the fiddler must be paid." -- Sinner Mike.

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The Student Council at Williams College has set a limit to the number of dances and to the admission charge, has fixed the hours, has limited refreshments to such viands as ice cream and cake, and has abolished favors. Williams College has reached the climax.