

No N.D. dances on
Holy Saturday
(It's Easter)

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Receive Holy Communion
Receive Holy Birthday of
our salvation!

Random Pointers On The Pledge.

Vote wet and drink dry if you will. Prohibition is not the Catholic answer to the liquor problem; the Church, as you were told the other day, appeals to the will of the individual to correct abuses, not to the law. She appeals to the law to prevent what is evil in itself; we regret exceeding that lax law enforcement gives us dirty books and shows, for instance.

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"As a protest against the abuse of liquor," the pledge reads. This does not mean necessarily that you have abused it by getting drunk; the protest is against the whole popular attitude regarding liquor - that it is smart to drink and get drunk. The most forceful protest you can make is total abstinence until the present hysteria passes

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Seniors will find the pledge a pleasant insurance against the catastrophies that may interfere with their presence at commencement in June. Three of the seniors who began the year with us have learned that liquor doesn't help towards graduation.

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You may postdate the pledge if you wish, i.e., you may date it for February 1, or whenever you intend it to start. However, those who wish to defer it until after examinations should bear in mind two things: 1. If they intend to get drunk after examinations, they must not attend the Sacraments now, as they lack the purpose of amendment required for Confession and Holy Communion; and 2. They should stipulate, "provided I remain at Notre Dame," as the records of the Prefect of Discipline show that nearly every year some fellow who has made an ass of himself by getting drunk after examinations has been sent to graze in greener pastures.

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The proviso, "except light wines and beer," may be written into the pledge, but we must say that the fellow who thinks he can find good light wines and beer in South Bend is afflicted with overconfidence. (We can't expect you to know any better, of course, as the present generation has had woefully poor lab material to work on; but you can always take it on faith.)

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This is "Home Folks' Year." If you want an extra copy of your pledge to send home, help yourself. A fresh supply of cards was ordered yesterday from the printer. If you have ever been a cause of worry to your parents, you can make reparation and give them a thrill by sending home a copy of your pledge. (But keep it after you have taken it; don't follow it home by the next train.)

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Renew your pledge if you already have one. It is merely a question of having a record of numbers, and we would fall down sadly if the many here who have a pledge for life were to conceal the fact. No new obligation is incurred if you sign the card and return it.

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It is early for statistics, but the 500 already returned or promised in the first 48 hours of the campaign speak well for your good will. We have made no note of the terms of the different pledges, but several life pledges have come to our attention, and quite a few "until graduation."

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The pledge has almost supplanted crooning as a topic of campus conversation. Some of the sentimental seniors have refused to consider the pledge until the morality of crooning has been analyzed to the last dying sob. For them we are considering a form of pledge against crooning - both active and passive modes.

PRAYERS: Frank Nulty underwent an operation for appendicitis this morning. The father of Mr. Wm. Hagerty, C.S.C., is seriously ill; an aunt of Robert and James Hamilton is to undergo an operation. A deceased uncle of F.W. Brown. Two deceased friends. Four special intentions. REQUIEM HIGH MASS Tuesday, 6:25, for the repose of the soul of Leo Fagan's mother - by request of the senior accountants.