Father "Red" Barron, Maryknoll missionary (Korea) preaches at Sunday Masses.

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## Only Two More Weeks.

Then comes vacation and the hunt for joys or jobs, for time-clocks instead of morning checks, for factory whistles instead of morning bells, for dates instead of data.

The exodus will be complete. For you no campus and its Grotto, no daily adoration, no easy facilities for Confession, daily Mass and Communion.

Yet for all of you there must be no vacation, no letting-up in the constant struggle for purity, for self-mastery, for the courage of your Catholic convictions.

## No Quitters--You.

If you've got a toe-hold on yourself and your imperfections, don't let go this summer.

If then you can't find employment, don't turn yourself into a lounge lizzy. Help your mother hang up the wash. Keep the yards clean and trim. Be useful. Lend the help-ing hand.

Everyone distrusts the straddler, the pussyfooter, the night prowler. The world hates and loaths the coward, especially the moral coward, the useless lump of indecision afraid to live out his convictions, whatsoever they may be.

You are Catholics. Be good ones. You admire purity. Be pure. You have a definite goal for which you are striving. Keep moving with your eyes on your goal.

Don't compromise your faith. This is the hour of hours to embrace it completely.

## The Test of Courage.

Courage is characteristic of men. It is not confined merely to the field of battle, nor is it limited only to spectacular occurrences. Commonplace circumstances frequently demand a courage exactly the same in kind as that exhibited by the early martyrs. Take care of the little things and the big things will take care of themselves. If you succumb to petty trials, never hope to overcome the grave ones. The Church today needs a strong Catholic laity, real men with the royal blood of God coursing through their veins.

Be loyal Notre Dame men this summer if you will not be cowards. Times, places, people and situations will offer you abundant opportunities to check on your Catholic courage or on your lack of it. A strenuous week-end at the beach; remember your obligation of Sunday Mass....A Friday night date: buy a cheese sandwich...A dance past twelve on Saturday night: keep your resolution of weekly Communion.

You brag that you come from Notre Dame. (Sometimes it's easier to get a date that way.) But remember, you're on the spot and Notre Dame is on trial. Your friends know that Notre Dame men are frequent communicants; that they get to Mass every Sunday morning; that they go in for clean entertainment; that, having an extraordinary devotion to Our Lady, they respect all women. Watch your step.

The ideals of Christ and His Church are the ideals of Notre Dame. You are of Christ, of the Catholic Church, of Notre Dame. Will you discredit them with the coward's alibi?--"What's the difference?" Christ warns you that if you deny Him before men, He will deny you before His Father who is in heaven.

Prepare now by daily Mass and Communion for your vacation, that it may be a happy one.

FRAYERS: (deceased)wife of Mr. Ed. Battes '92; two friends of George Keenen (Al.); grandfather of Jerry O'Dowd (Mor.). Ill, sister of Dick Cowling (Huddle). One spec. int.