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PERSONAL

We are frequently asked for some statement that might serve as a personal code for students. Such a statement might be fashioned along the following lines:

To love God, love my country, and be loyal to Notre Dame.

To be truthful, honest and sincere in every act and purpose, and to know that honorable failure is better than success by unfairness or by cheating.

To perform every duty with fidelity and conscientiousness and to make duty my watchword.

To obey all regulations of the University and of proper authority.

To refrain from licentiousness, profanity, vulgarity, and any disorder that might subject me to reproach or censure within or without the University.

To be diligent in my studies.

To maintain my self-respect and self-control, and to respect others. To do nothing inconsistent with my dignity as a Catholic gentleman.

To take pride in my appearance and the traditions of the University.

To be courteous in my bearing and speech and to exhibit good manners on all occasions.

To keep my body healthy and strong by physical exercise and participation in competitive sports.

To be generous and helpful to others and to endeavor to restrain them from wrong-doing.

To face difficulties with courage and not to complain or be easily discouraged.

To be worthy of the sacrifices of my parents and the efforts of all who have taught me, and to recognize my obligations to them.

To develop a world-vision and an appreciation of the lay apostolate. To make the University better by reason of my having been here. To resolve to carry into my future career the determination to place right above gain and a reputation for integrity above power.

To remember always that being a Notre Dame man imposes upon me an obligation to live up to this code.

Please pray for the following. Deceased: Mother of Bob IN YOUR CHARITY McGowan of Pangborn; father of Tony Chion of Zahm; father of Roger Tougas, '58; cousin of George Disco, Off-Campus; father of Ralph, '39, and James Mazar, '47; Charles T. McDermont, '05; Jose Bracho, '15; Thomas F. Rome, '55; mother of Jerome Davey, '37; Raymond Sullivan, '15; Thomas P. Galbraith, '32; father-in-law of James Law, '58; John W. Wadden, '07; Bro. Patrick O'Ryan, F.S.C.H.; grandmother of Bill Geary of Zahm; grandmother of Mike O'Hara of Zahm; grandfather of Carl Adler, Off-Campus; three other persons. <u>Ill</u>: Rev. Thomas Martin, S.J.; father of John Hagerty of Pangborn; Jim Snowden of Lyons; sister of Don Carlin, '56; Frank Hajnik of Cavanaugh. Four special intentions.



The songs in the air and over the airlanes all seem to say "Merry Christmas". And now, even the weatherman gets into the act to create a greeting card scene in every direction. And have you noticed, too, how much more communicative everyone seems to be? "If I don't see you before you leave, have a good Christmas!" Everywhere one turns, there is friendly talk in the air. Will it terminate when everyone leaves? Or will the same spirit prevail when all have arrived home? Home is one place where there ought to be a lot of communication. True, this may necessitate staying at home a few nights during the holidays. But where will you find a more appreciative audience than at home? And while you're relaxing with the family, the opportunity could well present itself to talk about your future.

By the way, what about your future? Given it much thought lately? Many students, it seems to us, think about the future with a high but rather generalized idealism. Their chief concern seems to be to escape what seems to them routine ways. This is something to talk to the folks about. But before doing so, reflect on these words by Ida Goerres, in <u>The Hidden Face</u>:

The Way and the Deed

"It was your obligation to serve God according to your destiny, by your way of being, and instead you have had a great longing to serve Him with a deed. By way of being I mean a form of suffering that requires immeasurable patience, by deed a form of action that requires immeasurable heroism. The way is without end, the deed unique. The way comprehends deeds, not one deed. And so I see in the deed the temptation to escape, by means of a single thrust, the permanent necessity of the way, and to escape from it by means of an ascent and an intensification which leaves the way behind it."

The way is not so frequently recognized by the donors of prizes and awards. The deed is. Your folks may never have received any awards for their services to you and the rest of their family. Most have given their sons an example of patience, though. And because of this, they are in a position to give you some sound advice about the future. Give them a chance to share their thoughts with you during the holidays. Stay home occasionally; talk to them about your future.

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