

Is it a Sin for a Girl to Smoke?

A very sensible answer to this question was given in the question Box at St. Joseph's, South Bend, last year: "It might be for the cigarette -- bad company."

Theives.

"Who steals my purse steals trash." -- Shakespeare. Who steals my conscience, makes shipwreck of my soul; Bad companions, books or people, steal your conscience.

Fine Friends.

It's a fine friend who gets you into jail and then won't bail you out. Hidden behind the modern realistic novel is materialism, which destroys Adam and original sin, substitutes the rise of man from a lower state for his fall from a higher state, and gives him nothing in exchange for the soul of which it robs him.

Courtship and Marriage.

Read the same chapters on this in "You and Yours" -- pamphlet rack adv.

Scalded Stomachs.

"Who hath woe? Whose father hath woe? Who hath contentions? Who fell into pits? Who hath wounds without cause? Who hath redness of eyes?

"Surely they that pass their time in wine, and study to drink off their cups.

"Look not upon the wine when it is yellow, when the color thereof shineth in the glass. It goeth in pleasantly:

"But in the end, it will bite like a snake, and will spread abroad poison like a basilisk."

Proverbs, 23: 28-32.

The First Snow (Answers to Correspondents).

The drop in the number of Communions was 120 -- and it was a very weak show, at that. Last year the drop was 72.

Rev. John F. O'Hara, C.S.C.,
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