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Keep the Faith - With Mary!

Saturday throughout the year belongs to Mary and in the old days, everybody at Notre Dame got up for Mass in her honor. It was almost a mortal sin to miss. In recent years there has been a decline, at least after football season, though the "Gentlemen of Walsh" have kept the Faith. That beautiful 99 year old custom must not die out. Keep the Faith with her as she has and will with you and Notre Dame.

We feel that on Saturdays there should also be an official University Mass in honor of Our Mother. Pending suggestions and arrangements, the Feast of the Maternity of Our Lady on this Saturday is a suitable date to start. So there will be Masses in honor of Our Lady on Saturday in Dillon and Cavanaugh at 7:10, in Howard at 7:20. These Masses are not to encourage but to catch late-sleepers and to provide the rest a chance to worship at an official Mass in honor of Our Lady, the Mother of us all.

The Bulletin's Position on War.

Please don't expect the Bulletin to take sides in the war controversy. And there certainly is a controversy. There is no definite "Catholic Position", on our participation or non-participation. The public disagreement of two members of the American hierarchy this summer shows that there is no clear "Catholic Position".

If you wish opinions of various Catholics on the controversy read the Catholic books, newspapers and magazines. Such reading is absolutely necessary today to be informed on this and other subjects of immense importance to you. The editors and writers for Catholic magazines and newspapers are experts in their field.

No Controversy on This

There can be no controversy, however, on this more fundamental point concerning our government and country. GOD AND RELIGION ARE NECESSARY in our government, laws and public life. Our country was founded on a belief in God, in His Providence and in the natural law and God-given rights.

In the Declaration of Independence are four very definite allusions to Almighty God by its framers. Read the Declaration of Independence and you will see that the writers referred to and relied on:

1. Nature and nature's God.
2. The fact that men are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights.
3. An appeal to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of their intentions.
4. A prayer for protection by Divine Providence.

You will hear many speakers refer to the "American Way", "Faith in Democracy", "The American Way of Life", "Necessity of an intense devotion to democracy". Those phrases are mere slogans and can be utterly meaningless unless you go to the foundation of American Democracy which is God, man's rights and duties toward God and each other.

Don't Take Our Word For It!

"If scholars, teachers, writers and religious leaders do not succeed in arousing the minds and hearts of the democratic peoples to a living faith in the spiritual nature of man the direct defense of democracy by military and political action is bound to fail," said Professor Theodore M. Green speaking in the name of "The Princeton Group" at the second annual meeting of the Conference on Science, Philosophy and Religion at Columbia University, New York City.

PRAYERS: (Deceased) Mrs. Joyce Kilmer; Father of Geo. J. Foxen, '34 Ill - Joe Reiter (former watchman); Joe Alexander, (Barber Shop); father of Doc. Henault (St. Ed's); Jack Barry, senior lawyer; mother of Edw. Rdzok (Bro). Four Special Intentions.