Be A Man!

Are you a man or a weak-end kid of weak will and weak resolution?

The immature and the fool will forget gratitude, forget the present, urgent need of God. They may seek escape from fear or discouragement by a riotous week-end.

The rest of you will be men. You'll stay in the state of grace. You'll relax, but you will be gentlemen. On your return you will be ready for an "all out" for God and country in the Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes beginning this Sunday for peace, for guidance of our government, for your protection against injury by war.

Thanks to the Trib —

—- for Tuesday's front-page item, "N. Y. Judge Tells the 'Smut King' a Thing or Two". The article reported the conviction of the "smut king" publisher, Newman, with the judge holding gingerly a copy of an obscene magazine and roaring:

"You don't deserve any leniency! You ought to go to jail for two years! You are just as infectious as though you put poison in our water system! I have never seen such smut, such dirt! You stink!"

Strong words, and the Bulletin apologizes for their use. But strong words are necessary in fighting smut. The Tribune could well recall the words when tempted to run another full-page "Books-kriege" ad by a western smut publisher. The Detroit Free-Press, after running a similar ad recently, apologized to its readers.

Thanks, S. R. Trib —

—- for yesterday's item reporting the promised help of the Notre Dame Student Commission for Decent Literature against the "smut king's" magazines in South Bend. The Student Commission has accepted the invitation to cooperate with the National Council of Catholic Women in conjunction with Mayor Pavey to secure the removal of filth from South Bend's news-stands. The Commission isn't just "anti-smut". It has a positive program, too. There will be more about this later.