Vacation Hints

Don't blow your top, which is another way of saying don't try to forget school work, your success or failure in your examinations and your other worries by over-doing some form of relaxation. St. Paul had vacationists in mind when he said, "Whether you eat or drink, do all for the glory of God." Virtue lies in the middle course, in neither excess or defect. When the voice of conscience whispers "you've had enough," then you have reached the red light: Stop. Because if you go farther you will be leaving the path of virtue.

Idleness is the Devil's workshop, so keep busy, at home or here on the campus. Vacation does not mean an opportunity to be inactive. It means a chance to do something recreational. Keep yourself occupied by reading, playing, letter-writing, seeing a good show. Plan your day ahead of time, and thus keep yourself happy and free from sin.

Try some extra prayer. Acts of thanksgiving are in order after the examinations. There will be other examinations and other blessings you will want later in the year. Ingratitude now will give God good reason to be slow in granting further favors.

Since there can never be a vacation from virtue, you can keep strong by receiving Holy Communion daily, either in your hall chapel or in Dillon Hall, where a priest will be on duty all morning.

Order or Disorder

The other day a request came in for a character report on a student who had applied for an opening in one of the professions. When his Floor-Prefect was asked to give his observations, he stated that the student's room was always orderly and clean—which indicated that the occupant was well-disciplined.

Dirty and disorderly living quarters bespeak a disorder in one's make up. Your room tells me a lot about yourself.

Tony

This is the first chance the Editor of the Bulletin has had a chance to say a few words about Tony Pocsok, an employee, who died last week. For many years Tony was janitor in the library.

If you watched Tony at work with his broom, you caught the idea that he loved his work. He always seemed interested about all that he did. Repetition of the same task did not sour him. He always carried a smile with his greeting. He never failed to tip his hat to a priest in a most respectful way. No matter what your station in life may be, these are qualities men should recognize in you too.

PRAYERS: (deceased) Father William Connor, CSC; (ill) Mrs. Martin, friend of John Noonan (Dil). Two Special Intentions. One Thanksgiving.