

High Schoolers Give Out On 'Going Steady' Issue

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GOING STEADY is a difficult subject to talk about without sounding like the voice from the rocking chair, a character too young to know a good love when he sees one, or a girl who got the crush-off as recently as last Friday night. If a fellow thinks he's found his dream girl, why shouldn't he forget all about the dream and give her a good steady? And if a girl finds a boy whom she thinks is meant for her, why shouldn't she exchange class rings and give way to that "this is it" feeling?

The pros and cons are endless, but the subject of going steady is important because

Shells John Daly is taking a year and thought during those four years when fellows and girls are preparing for the next three or four years and need all the spare time and thought they can get.

This is an impartial cross section of student opinion on going steady, just to help you work out a "student opinion" of your own:

"I'm a fellow of 17, and I've been going steady with a girl for about three months, simply because I like her that well. A girl isn't tied down because she goes with one fellow, but a girl should never go steady unless she means it. Girls will go steady for convenience (a car and extra money can make 'convenience'), but a fellow will never do that."

"Maybe I deserve to be hurt, because I've gone steady twice, and the first time I gave the fellow the air. This time the tables are turned. This fellow of mine put me in my place three months ago, and I'm still there. I have gone out with other fellows since, but I'd rather sit home. It was fun while it lasted, but I really don't think this feeling was worth it."

"Fellows and girls nowadays (because of the war) grow up faster and fall in love earlier. They go steady because they want to share their good times just as long as they can. One of the fellows in our crowd is going into

the navy next week, and his dad and only has definitely decided to wait for him. They have gone steady recently after having known each other off and on for about three years."

"Going steady is a serious business and shouldn't be based on an at present I like him better than any one I know' standard, because the agreement demands more than infatuation. I spent one year of my three to high school going steady, and I don't regret one day of that year. We thought we were in love, and there was a kind of love between us, but finally we both realized that it wasn't strong enough to support an eventual marriage."

"Let's be frank. I went steady with a girl for about a year and don't want to do it again until I am sure I am ready to get married. With us it just didn't work out; it was more than we could handle. You know that old saying: 'Familiarity breeds contempt?' What was that again? It didn't work that way with us. I wasn't sure if our friendship was based on much on friendship as physical attraction, and because I

for my girl—I didn't wait around long enough to find out."

"When in high school I think it's not so smart to get serious enough to go steady. There are so many different fellows to go out with, and from a fellow's viewpoint there are that many girls to take out. It's better to know many—then choose from it just the type of person with whom you'd like to spend the rest of your life."

Well, there's the story, pros and cons. Next time you get the feeling that you'd like to go steady, think it over. Sometimes it's hard to see the facts because you've got these stars in your eyes!

Vote Halt on Aid to French Church Schools

Paris — (RNS) — The French Consultative Assembly has voted the immediate suppression of state subsidies to church schools inaugurated by the former Vichy regime. The vote, 128 to 48, was taken after a stormy debate between Catholic and Communist and Socialist deputies on an amendment to continue the grants until October 1.

Pat O'Brien Aims At Al Smith Role

A fine portrayal of Governor Alfred E. Smith is the ambition of movie actor Pat O'Brien, who gained studying leave for his cinematic depiction of Uncle Rocker of Notre Dame.

Erskine Johnson, Hollywood reporter of the New York World-Telegram, writes:

Pat O'Brien is a cigar-smoker of the 19's he smokes every day—and said he hoped his next picture would be a film biography of the late Al Smith. "That," he added, "it will be a struggle."

First studio boss with whom he discussed the idea said nothing doing, explaining, "It's the story of a failure."

"Failure?" screamed Pat. "Yeah," said the studio boss, "because he was never elected President."

"So I reminded him," Pat said, "that Al Smith built the Empire State Building and one of the greatest insurance companies in the world."

"But he never was elected President," the studio boss persisted. "It's the story of a failure."

"I stopped talking then," Pat said, "and I took the idea in another studio. I should hear from him any minute now. It would make a wonderful picture—it's real Americana—a sidewalk in New York story in end all sidewalks of New York stories."

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No Rocking-Chair for Us

Have you ever had someone grab you by your coat-tails and put the fervent question: "Are you saved?"

How should we know? If St. Paul had to work out his salvation "in fear and trembling," and was forever trying his converts to pray for him lest, as he said, having preached to others, he himself should become a castaway, if St. Paul was so worried about his final destiny, who are we to believe we're booked for a non-stop passage to the pearly gates?

We can remember a dear old lady with rather a tart tongue who was stopped with the query: "Have you found Jesus yet?" With more will than tact she replied at once: "I didn't know he was lost, brother!"

Being "saved," if it is just a matter of feeling a glow inside one's bones and eyes with the sun, it varies with the amount of atmosphere in one's stomach; with the way things are going at the office because all these things affect our feelings, like final and evergreen at Christmas.

Feeling "saved," too, carries with it the idea that Jesus has done all the work, and we can take our rocking-chair with not a thing to do but sit back, arms folded, and

wait. But that's just what Jesus didn't want if we are to believe the good book.

Let him do it himself, and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever will save his life shall lose it" (Mark VIII, 34-35). "They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts" (Gal. V, 24).

Jesus offers His hand. It is for us, as it had been for Adam, to take it or leave it. But even here, the strength to accept comes from Jesus Himself: "Without Me ye

can do nothing" (John XV, 5). In other words, we are to work out our own salvation, but with borrowed tools.

We can only pray, then, as though everything depended on God, and work as though everything depended on ourselves. It would be fatal to take a seat in the corner and rock away, believing that we have done everything necessary by just believing that now we need do no more.

Are we saved, then? We don't know honestly, but we're doing the best we can and, so far, we Catholics are convinced that we're on the right track.—(Catholic Information Society of New York.)

Reports Don Ameche Is Daily Communicant

Members of the Don Ameche family in Hollywood admit of Mass and receive Holy Communion daily.

This was revealed in a letter from Corp. Mary Ferris, U. S. Marine Corps Women's Reserve and member of Sacred Sacrament Parish whose home is at 254 Meigs St. in "The Parish Weekly."

Serving as a Marine Corporal Ferris was invited to the Ameche home recently and was guest at dinner. She writes that Don insisted on trying the steak and helping to prepare the meal. A Catholic priest, a close friend of hers, said that the home life of the Ameches has always been happy and ideal.

Another brother, James, national known in radio, was married to the niece of Deputy Chief William J. O'Leary of the Rochester Fire Bureau, a few years ago in Sacred Sacrament Church. Their Christian family life is an example to that of their children in Hollywood, "The Parish Weekly" states.

Law School Scholarships Available at Catholic U.

Washington — (NCR) — A limited number of scholarships and grants for study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Laws, effective in September 1945, has been announced by the Law School of Catholic University of America here through Dr. Brendan P. Brown, Acting Dean, in furtherance of the university's policy of training small groups of selected college graduates in the study of law.

Notre Dame Grid Star Killed at Two Jims

Washington — (NCR) — Lieut. Jack Chevigny, of the U. S. Marine Corps, one of Notre Dame's greatest football stars under the late Knute Rockne, has died on the battlefield as he braved on the arduous landing the way.

Lt. Chevigny was killed in action at Iwo Jima. He was from a quarterback at Notre Dame from 1936 through 1938. Following his graduation he became an assistant to Knute Rockne until the latter's death in 1941.



VIRGINIA PUNNING INVITED GOLDIE TO DINNER BUT NOT SHE AND JOE.



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