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Student Council

In these troubled times and days of convulsive and depressive happenings the outlook for democratic procedures and techniques is at best a dubious one. The forces of totalitarianism, irreligion, and antitheism are attacking the fundamental principles of liberty and freedom in every country of the free world.

Democracy to most people is to be lost on the battlefield with vast expenditures of money, blood, mangled bodies and minds. Perhaps they are right. But Democracy can be lost quite surreptitiously yet completely here in the proverbial ivy halls of Alma Mater.

In the past year the Student Council of Saint Francis College has tried to establish on a firmer and more implemented basis the legal, parliamentary and practical achievements of past councils. But it has been faced with three problems; all interrelated.

It would be well to go into the achievements of this year's council first, and then proceed to an analysis of the deterrent factors.

The Student Council chose those members of the college whom it regarded as deserving of the "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities Awards". The selection was hard to make, but we feel that the choices were excellent ones. In conjunction with the Guidance Office of the College, it held a Career Forum, in which the students were given an opportunity to hear and question outstanding men in the business world. Without doubt many of the students were very grateful for the knowledge, and all who attended were most expressive of their approval and thanks. The Council, aware of the paucity and the marked weakness of popular Catholic newspaper literature, subscribed

