

Be Big in Little Things

Youth is generally ambitious and idealistic. It wants to do big things - and all at once. If he fails in some effort he thinks he's worthless, or incapable - maybe he is ridiculed too - and then, discouraged, he sits down and back after one try. "Let George do it."

He forgets that touchdowns aren't made naturally and easily, the first time a ball is put in a player's hands. They are made only after constant practice, in little things.

It is the little things day by day by which we rise or fall. The little-by-little fall must have a contrary little-by-little rise. We make the little acts of daily life the training ground of character. No half back will get into a football game in the fall unless he perfected himself in spring practice - in little things.

Four years of college are quite like spring practice for life - and the little things today will count heavily tomorrow: the little things in honesty, diligence, charity, cheerfulness of spirit, optimism, nobility of ideals.

"Let's Go Into Hell"

We had an old-time session the other evening with a student, with no punches pulled. As a result, we secured a good insight into his mind, which we believe to be a rather typical attitude toward several questions, among them; whether one religion is as good as another, the importance of Christ's Divinity, whether prayer is to thrill us or to honor God, also the utility of early morning rising and morning prayer, and then he said, "Now, let's go into hell if it isn't too late." But we said that we didn't wish to go into hell with him or with anybody early or late, but that we would "go into" the subjects above and also hell in the Bulletin in the not distant future. So if you're interested, hold on and if the subject doesn't appear soon enough, come on in and we'll talk over that or any subject you're interested in. Incidentally if you have a real doubt on any subject, you will see a priest about it - if you're honest and not just trying to pose as a "brain" with a great theological problem which shakes your Faith and is too deep for any priest to answer.

To Subscribers

We thank the writer who advised us that he did not receive some of the Bulletins especially that of Sept. 30th, which was referred to later in the issue of Oct. 7th. We believe some of the boys were "nodding" down in the "glory-hole" or mailing room when they stuffed two Bulletins of the same day instead of successive days. If this or any other irregularity happens, we would appreciate your advising us so that we may correct it. The boys are hard-working, there was a revision of the whole mailing-list this year and the work is technical and monotonous at times and some mistakes were bound to occur. We hope that everything will now run smoothly.

While we are making apologies, the editor will make one for himself for publishing last year sometime "The Flying Novena Prayer to the Infant of Prague". We were told about that Novena Prayer by a friend, thought it appropriate for exam "crams" and had a copy made for us. We did not see the original leaflet from the Theotokos Press, located somewhere in the East and we assumed that there was an imprimatur on the prayer leaflet. Later we found out that there was no imprimatur and there was also some question about the propriety of the prayer especially because the leaflet contains some promise of infallible results for saying the prayer. Of course, it is perfectly all right to raise your hearts to God in prayer nine times a day but don't do it as a result of any prayer leaflet unless it has a Bishop's imprimatur.

PRAYERS: (Deceased) Rev. Michael F. Duggan, brother of Chaplain John Duggan, great friend of the University and of Notre Dame army men; Sister M. Sebastian; Fred Ogilby. 10 special intentions.