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Hit Hard

One reason for the team's success: they got the jump on opponents and hit hard.

Do the same with temptations. Don't dilly-dally. Hit fast and hard.

Temptation is not sin. Thoughts will probably bother you. They may be in your mind some few seconds or minutes before you realize it - they may come back and pester you often - but unless you go on a sit-down strike and welcome them in consciously and deliberately, they are not mortal sins.

So hit fast and hard. Be a man, confident and joyous: not a mouse.

You're Being Cheated If ...

1. You're not using the religious facilities to develop your soul and character. 2. You're not using the athletic facilities to develop your body.

This Alumnus Deserves Your Prayers.

In the death Saturday of Angus Daniel McDonald of the Class of 1900, Notre Dame lost one of her greatest friends and one of her most distinguished alumni.

At his death he was President of the Southern Pacific Railroad, but never did these or other important duties interfere with his enthusiastic and sacrificing service in behalf of Notre Dame, either as a Trustee of the University or as a private alumnus.

Often he returned to this beloved campus as alumnus and as Trustee to advise and counsel at great sacrifice to self, but at great profit to his Alma Mater. He gave his time and services just as enthusiastically as years before he played for Our Lady in football in 1898 and 1899, and in baseball in 1898, 1899 and 1900, being captain of the latter his junior and senior years.

His God, religion and Church also received freely of his loyalty, enthusiasm and ability and in 1931 Pope Pius XI bestowed on him Knighthood in the Sovereign Military Order of Malta. In the same year he was the speaker at Commencement and was awarded then an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Well prepared mentally and physically, he began his long and arduous career with the Southern Pacific immediately after leaving school, starting as an accountant.

He spent (with the exception of 3 years) the intervening 41 years with the Southern Pacific becoming successively controller, vice-president and finally president of the Southern Pacific in 1932. From that position he directed the activities of more than 100 subsidiary companies.

Success, yes, but his two greatest loyalties were his Faith and his Alma Mater. To them he gave unsparingly during life. They will now be his greatest aids and conso-lations.

A Requiem Mass for the repose of his soul will be celebrated by Father J. Hugh O'Donnell, President, on Wednesday at 6:20 in Sacred Heart Church.

May you all remember him at Mass and Communion on that day asking Our Lady to secure the choicest of eternal rewards for him who served her and her Son so generously and ably in life.

PRAYERS: (deceased) Mrs. John McBurney (aunt of Prof. McClurg); Mrs. Kinzel; Ellery Gross (St. Ed's grad). Ill, Thomas McCoy (Zahm). Four special intentions.