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Ill, Joe Hickey (Lyons);
wife of Angus McDonald, '00
Don Cold, friend of T Walker.

Formula For Seniors.

Labor as if everything depended upon your own efforts; pray as if all had to be given to you by God. Adopt that formula in all your undertakings; it is the combination that brings success, especially if you keep at it persistently.

According to reports, some of you seniors are in very serious danger. One professor warns that 40 are "on the spot"; 15 of the 40, almost impossibly on the spot. And he is one professor and his is one course.

A word to the wise: professors who flunk seniors are not tyrants; formal exams are not a mere formality; you, and not the Director of Studies, are to see that disappointment is spared you and your family this June. The Novena for Seniors' Exams started this morning and ends May 23. It consists chiefly of Mass and Holy Communion every day. If you did not begin this morning, start tomorrow morning and go on including Wednesday, May 27.

By this time you should know how, on your own power, to get down to hard work and prayer!

"Compliments To One's Mother."

Mr. C. C. Mitchell is an alumnus highly respected here on the campus. Ever since his graduation he has been a worker for Notre Dame, a go-giver like Rockne to Notre Dame and to his community. One day last week he read the letter of appreciation written by Mr. Samuel of Emporia, Kansas. Impulsively he sat down and wrote Mr. Samuel:

"Thirty-four years ago I left Notre Dame. I loved and respected her then and my love and respect have grown with the years.

"Your letter, printed in the Religious Bulletin of May 7, 1936, brought tears of pride and gratitude to my eyes. Not that I was surprised, because I know the institution, but your kind expressions were like reading compliments to one's mother--more appreciated because of their known truth.

"My personal explanation of the difference between Notre Dame and many other schools is the fact that Notre Dame assumes that a young man entering the school is still forming his character, needs training in personal and social relations as much as he needs erudition. (Such things as publishing your letter is one of the methods they adopt.) Other institutions assume that a student entering is a matured man and needs only 'higher education.'

"Notre Dame aims to produce scholars, technicians, and scientists but she also aims to produce courteous, gracious men who will help make the world more agreeable and pleasant. I hope and believe that she is succeeding in both aims.

"I, too, am a non-Catholic but I was graduated there and I served on the Board of Lay Trustees of the University for about fifteen years, and if all non-Catholics could know the school as I do they would think of it only as a great and lovable educational institution which has for nearly one hundred years given America better scientists, better scholars, better business men, and better citizens.

"I thank you for visiting there and for your thoughtful letter regarding your impressions. Please go again."

Gentlemen, Mr. Mitchell really loves Notre Dame. In spite of a busy life, he has found time to visit the campus (even when it was not the campus that it is today), to take active part in movements that mean Notre Dame's growth and advancement. Many of you are leaving this June. Try over the years to emulate "Clem" Mitchell's love and loyalty!