An Example of Loyalty.

Ed Pollock, sports editor of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, recently paid an inspiring tribute to Joe Sullivan. Here it is in part:

"A great tragedy reached its tearful finale in New York at the funeral of Joe Sullivan, captain-elect of football at Notre Dame. Here was a fine son, a good student, physically big and handsome, whose talent, spirit and popularity brought him to the realization of a dream he and his father had cherished for years.

"From the time he was old enough to think about it, Joe Sullivan always wanted to go to Notre Dame, and his dad hoped that some day the boy might be good enough to make the football team.

"Last year he was not only a regular but a star so good his teammates at the end of the season rewarded him with the captaincy for 1935. The huge chest of the father expanded with pride. Next fall there would be no prouder dad in all America than the police lieutenant whose son that day would be leading Notre Dame against the Army at the Polo Grounds.

"And now the strange interlude of death. In the full glory of his athletic career, Joe Sullivan had to go.

"It may sound trite to say his spirit will live on, but truisms are never stale. Yesterday from a former priest-professor who forbade me to use his name, I learned that Joe Sullivan typified the best in American athletics.

"'Joe was one of my students at St. John's, in Brooklyn,' he told me. 'I know him quite well, and what impressed me most about him was his loyalty.

"'He was loyal not only to the school, but to himself and in all his activities. He was profoundly religious, too.

"'Joe looked upon his beautiful physique as a gift from heaven. He was endowed with athletic ability and regarded it as a very serious duty to train properly so that he could make the most of his given talent.

"'A boy with such a viewpoint can be neither a bully nor a swell-head. He protected and sacrificed for the weak, and for all his fame he was modest and well-balanced.

"'When Joe was captain of St. John's, his team beat Brooklyn Prep, the traditional football rival, for the first time in something like twelve years. Other students were so overjoyed they forgot to study that night in celebration of the victory, but Joe was prepared, as usual.

"'No one had a better right to celebrate, but Joe had home work to do and did it. He loved sports, but sports didn't control him. He was just as loyal scholastically as athletically.

"'Joe Sullivan had ability. We all do in varying degrees, We don't all apply ourselves as he did. At times we all try our best, but he always did. Not only did he try when the game was on, but he tried through every moment of preparation. He made the most of what he had, and he had a great deal. He was loyal.'

"That's why the spirit of Joe Sullivan will live so long as loyalty exists."

Their Comfort in Grief.

"Dear Father O'Donnell:

"I cannot express how proud we are to have had our son Joe pass to his eternal reward, stumped with the seal of his lovely Faith brought out so beautifully by the teachings of Notre Dame. Everyone is talking of Joe's funeral and of Father Dolan's inspiring eulogy; and while our hearts are heavy, we have nothing but comforting thoughts of Joe as a boy at home and as a young man at Notre Dame. Thank you all for all that you have done for Joe.

Sincerely, Joe's mother and father."

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