We have reviewed various kinds of religious education during the past few days: some kinds work, some do not. Notre Dame's system works pretty well on the material it receives. Is this a mill or a field? Our Lord said to let the cockle grow in the field until the harvest, when it would be burned, but he did not ask us to grind cockle with wheat.

**Why Notre Dame Fails**

The following types presage failure. Notre Dame weeps for them.

1. **The Spiritual Hobo.**

He is too good for home and family, too good for Notre Dame, too good for the Catholic Church. Self-assertive, but aimless, he wanders -- a parasite; he can solve the world's difficulties beautifully, but he can't raise a finger to help himself. He will be saved only by the prayers and tears of his mother.

2. **The Eskimo Pie.**

Cold-hearted, but crusty, he goes big for about two minutes. He is popular with the Freshmen, but they don't make so much of a hit with the faculty.

3. **The Gopher.**

He scurries into the ground when he sees a priest coming, but he has a gay time when he thinks no one is watching him.

4. **The Mole.**

He never sees the light, but he leaves an ugly path where he roots his way.

5. **The Laughing Jackass.**

Beer is his hobby -- anything to make him happy. Lacking the sense of humor he needs a physical stimulant for his risibility.

6. **The Peacock.**

He struts. But look at his feet.

7. **The Buzzard.**

The real buzzard is a useful bird, because as a scavenger he aids the Board of Health. The moral buzzard is not so good; he spreads infection instead of checking it.

8. **The Dodo.**

We thought this bird extinct. We know better since he got up for elections and golf when he could never hear the bell for God.