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"Can 11 Wildcats Stop 35 Irish?"

Walter Eckersall asks the question in Wednesday's W.G.N. -- Well, something stopped about 2000 of them over the week-end, from the looks of the chapels these mornings -and they say it stratched.

Suit Yourself Tomorrow.

There will be a Mass in the church for the team and Coach Rockne tomorrow, but if you are not interested don't bother to come. The Mass is at 6:25 in the Church.

Mere Animals.

If you insist on acting like an animal, don't resent it if people treat you like an animal. One doesn't expect a hog to have any regard for the property rights of others or to practice the virtue of temperance, a guinea pig's body serves for purposes of experimentation, a jackass is not expected to have any respect for women.

Holy Scripture tells us how to handle cattle: "A whip for a horse, a snaffle for an ass, and a rod for the back of fools." "With bit and bridle bind fast their jaws that have not understanding." (But if a human animal wants to get his soul back the Church helps him.)

"Fixed Standards,"

That expression, used on yesterday's Bulletin puzzled some seniors. It refers to objective morality as opposed to subjectivism; in other words, it calls for a moral law, such as the Ten Commandments, as a guide for the conscience when it goes blind on what is right and wrong. Subjectivists want the individual conscience to settle matters; it comes down in practice to a denial of any essential difference between right and wrong: what is right today may be wrong tomorrow, and vice versa.

Subjective morality grew out of the discouragement of people who tried to conquer nature without the help of grace. When they found certain natural impulses too much for them, they decided that what could not be helped could not be sinful, and for the sake of company in their iniquity they proclaimed this as a dogma. They denied that God ever gave any Ten Commandments or established any authority to settle matters of morals when a dispute arose as to the interpretation of such Commandments. They denied the existence of the natural law, and made custom, convenience, social service, or the rule of the majority (or organized minority), the arbiter of the difference between right and wrong.

So you see whither we are drifting when "experts" on "religion" in "education" tell young people that they are their own best guides in the establishment of a "necessary" new code of morals. That sort of reasoning has already justified divorce with the "right" to re-marry, in practice it has authorized stealing anything you can get away with, especially if it is the public or a rich corporation, it is striving by might and main to make birth control respectable, it nibbles at the proposition of legalizing the murder of an invalid.

Prayers.

Thos. O'Connor, '27, asks prayers for his father who is critically ill. Brother Matthew, C.S.C., wants a remembrance for his sister who is ill. A younger brother of the Quigley brothers (Tom, '28, Joe and Frank) has just had an operation for appendicitis. Your prayers are requested for a mother of ten children (and foster-mother of five more) who is suffering from a bad heart. Coach Rockne is still suffering some effects from his excursion of last Saturday, and you are urged to keep up your prayers for him. Five special intentions.