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Hand in five names

Are You A Convert?

An organization in Germany wants your story. Why did you become a Catholic? The Winfriedbund, Paderborn, has begun a collection of autobiographies of converts to the Catholic Church. In a postcript to a letter requesting Knute Rockne's account of his conversion, Father Severin Lamping, O.F.M., says: "In case any other young student of Notre Dame is a convert to the Faith, please consider our petition as directed to him also." The desire of the organization is to have, from people of all walks of life, statements of what led them to join the Catholic Church. — And for the benefit of students, they want statements from students. Father Lamping's address is, "Franciskanerkloster, Paderborn, Germany."

Sacrifice For The Hissions This Week.

It was suggested yesterday that you add self-denial to prayer during the Church Unity Octave. If you set aside for the Missions the money you save by self-denial, you will be backing up the Notre Dame men in Bengal and making your efforts for conversion do a double service.

On Using The Paten.

The Communion paten used by the laity when receiving Holy Communion has a distinct purpose - to catch any tiny fragments that may drop from the Host when the priest is administering Holy Communion. It should, therefore, be held level, close to the chin and partly under it. Common faults among those using the paten are:

- 1. Holding it low and far out, often striking the base of the ciborium with it;
- 2. Slanting it so that it will catch no particles, or will drop particles already gathered;
- 3. Closing the fingers over the surface of the plate instead of the handles;
- 4. Exhaling deeply just before receiving, blowing the breath across the surface;
- 5. Turning it over on receiving it or handing it on to the next recipient.

Join The St. Vincent de Paul Society.

For years we have wanted to establish a local conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Various difficulties have arisen to frustrate this desire. As a practical step towards the ultimate realization of this establishment, however, we now propose that students who are interested in doing charity work among the poor become members of one or other of the conferences in South Bend. The President of one of the Conferences has given his permission for this. If you are interested - it is a magnificent work, one of the noblest and most effective in the Church - call on the Prefect of Religion for further information.

Save Stamps and Tin Foil.

The Foreign Missions benefit by the sale of used stamps and tin foil. Save them; they may help a soul win heaven. Leave them with the Prefect of Religion.

Brother Bede Is Dead.

Word reached Notre Dame yesterday of the death in Bengal of Brother Bede, C.S.C., former prefect in Brownson and St. Edward's Halls. A soft-spoken young Irishman from Kerry, John Broderick by name, he came to Notre Dame in 1905 and remained here until his departure for India some seven or eight years ago. There will be Masses for him tomorrow morning in the St. Edward's Hall and Brownson (Basement) chapels.

PRAYERS: A deceased friend of Joe Mansfield; a friend undergoing an operation.