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This Week's Red Hat.....

is conferred in partibus infidelium on the lay carindal who sent the following letter to The Register: "I am a Catholic and go to church but I am thinking about staying away. My reasons: The priest badly needs money; he cannot get his salary; has no income. And once in a while he tells the people their obligation of supporting the pastor and church. I am a tightwad and an agitator, and I don't see why he should talk money; and I try to make the rest of the congregation feel as I do about it. Am I committing a sin in acting in this way?"

Which Brings Us To Bengal...

the foreign mission of the Congregation of Holy Cross, which is staffed almost exclusively (the American section), with priests, brothers, and sisters from Notre Dame and St. Mary's. This flourishing mission has had its budget cut almost 50% since the depression began, and even with this reduced allowance remittances are six months behind.

Notre Dame is Helping...

and the help given this year looms large in the eyes of the missionaries, since so little has been coming in. To date we have forwarded \$1173.68 to the mission headquarters. Since the last check was sent in (March 17) we have received \$31.74 from Father Farley's mite boxes (bringing his donations this school year to \$77.47), \$43.63 from last Sunday's collection, and a stray dollar in thanksgiving for a favor received. Some more money (approximately \$300) will come in from dances when certain obligations have been met. This is especially good for a depression year, but we still have a chance to help, and we can't let the missionaries down in their need.

The Freshmen Want To Do Their Bit...

in "The Vagabonds", a musical show they are preparing for the end of this month, and for which tickets are now on sale.

Help them out. They have given their recreation for months to preparation for this show, and while in general it's bad dope to encourage a freshman, this is one of the exceptions.

You haven't the money? Be sure that excuse is legitimate before you use it. It may be that you haven't a quarter, but the chances are that if you have seen any shows in South Bend lately you've wasted as many quarters as you've seen shows... or perhaps you have more than wasted them.

You want to help the local poor instead? O.K.; help them. We are always glad to receive donations for the local poor, from 1¢ or a pair of old shoes up; but as a matter of fact, most of you haven't given us a chance to turn down any donations for the poor lately. "The Boys," with their \$20 a week since Lent started, have replenished the larder, but the poor gave the Pamphlet Rack an awful beating from Christmas till Ash Wednesday. But those who still want to help the poor may give their offerings to the ticket sellers; they needn't expect tickets to the show, however, as the show is a Bengal Benefit: if the friends of the poor want to put on a benefit, we will be glad to advertise it for them.

PRAYERS: Victor Waufle is quite ill in the hospital. Russell O'Shea continues to show improvement, although his condition is still dangerous. A sister of Fred MacBoth is very ill. Fr. Hobert has entered a hospital at Columbus, Ohio, for treatment. An aged benefactress, Mrs. Forrester, of LaPorte, Ind., died a few days ago. Five special intentions; a thanksgiving for a favor requested during the Depression Novena.