

Religious Bulletin

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Step On It.

The quarters are not coming in fast enough. Yesterday was a good day, but it was made so by large donations, not by so many quarters. The score:

Previously acknowledged.....	\$203.34
In honor of the Little Flower.....	100.00
For the conversion of sinners.....	10.00
Thanksgiving for a recovery.....	5.00
Various donations.....	12.57
Total.....	<u>\$330.91</u>

Amount to go -- \$269.09. Can we do it in three days -- today, tomorrow, Saturday? If we can't we are not the men we think we are.

A fine letter came with the five dollars listed above. The writer states that a year ago he was quite ill, his fellow-students prayed for him, and he got well. He says further that if the fund falls short he will give another five, and ask some priest to say Mass for the fellows who kept their quarters.

Let's go over the situation again. Father Finner, an old Notre Dame man, formerly at St. Joseph's Church, South Bend, has been sent by his bishop, just as Paul and Barnabas were sent by the apostles, to found the Catholic Church in a city of 50,000 inhabitants. Money stretches like rubber in India. All Fr. Finner asks for the establishment of a church and school is the paltry sum of \$500.00. He is giving us first chance to help. And we want to do the whole thing for him, and DO IT THIS WEEK, and DO IT WITHOUT ANY FLYING SQUADRON OF COLLECTORS. One Sunday collection, and individual donations during the week, should turn the trick. The amount asked for is twenty-five cents a man.

Sacrifice builds backbone. You miss the biggest thrill there is if you don't know the joy of giving -- particularly of sacrificing to give. It's hard to walk these days, but four street car rides would furnish your quarter. Skip a bill at the Palace, boycott the Palais, cut down two packs of smokes this week, let a couple of Oh Henry's go by -- but get in your two bits for the spread of the faith. Father Finner is giving his life to this work; you ought to give two bits.

Is your father a Catholic? a practical Catholic? If he is not, you are certainly interested in his conversion. Put his name into the Church Unity Octave, and send two bits to Father Finner, who will unite his prayers with those of his converts for your intentions.

Get your offering in TODAY.

How Much Do You Spend on Charity?

This question on the Survey last year brought the following information:

Less than \$1.00 a month.....	286
\$1.00 - \$2.00.....	249
2.00 - 3.00.....	28
3.00 - 4.00.....	14
4.00 - 5.00.....	17
More than \$5.00.....	7
\$10.00.....	2
Nothing.....	57 (Heintz?)

Prayers.

An aunt of a student is to undergo a serious operation today. He asks prayers.