

A Thousand It Is Thanks!

Father Finner will receive a cablegram this morning (if the service is not too slow) announcing that a check for \$1000.00 is in the mail for him. The little drive is over, no one was very hard hit by the sacrifice, and Father Finner has in hand a sum sufficient to begin, on a significant scale, the establishment of the Kingdom of Christ in a city of fifty thousand inhabitants that has not been blessed thus far with so much as a crucifix.

It was a wonderful ending for the Church Unity Octave. Yesterday was the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle of the Gentiles, and the intention for the day was the missionary conquest of the entire world for Christ. You have seen by the scale of values published yesterday on the Bulletin that your money will go from ten to twenty times as far in India as it will here. You may also feel that the prayers of Father Finner and his neophytes, who will now be praying for your intentions, will have a similar multiple of value; and those who gave with the intention of converting some one near and dear to them may look for quick results.

The whole thing showed an excellent spirit, and it gives the direct answer to those who have found no spirit of charity at Notre Dame. Daily Communion breeds charity, because charity is love, and the love of God that is enkindled by daily association of Him is bound to express itself in love of one's neighbor.

Edward Anton.

Word came to the University night before last that Edward Anton, who is suffering from pneumonia in St. Joseph's Hospital, was not likely to last through the night. He rallied, however, and through the day he was considerably improved. His condition is very bad, however, and he needs all the prayers he can get. He is now subject to these sinking spells, and he might go off in one of them. Please say an extra rosary for him from time to time, and ask Our Lord to be good to Him when you are receiving Holy Communion. We have had several narrow escapes this year, and we do want to keep our number intact.

Prayers.

Two special intentions and two sick relatives of students are recommended to your prayers.

Van's Spiritual Bouquets.

Not the least interesting point in the letter of Van Wallace which has been mentioned so frequently in the past few days, is his comment on the spiritual bouquets he received for Christmas. This is his third Christmas in bed, and he received his usual sheaf of spiritual bouquets, many of them from students who never knew him. He wants to thank them, one and all, and he expresses a doubt that such a thing could have happened anywhere else in the world but at Notre Dame.

He has tried his best to answer personally all of these spiritual gifts. One student who never knew Van has reported that twice when he has sent him these Christmas cards he has had a return from Van; each time he refrained from using his name on the card, but gave his home address for the return in case of non-delivery; Van must have searched the student directory to find the name that fitted the address.

The Prefect of Religion has a good supply of spiritual bouquet cards for use in sending cheer ~~xxx~~ to the sick. With examinations over an urgent need is passing, and you could not engage in a charity more worthy of a Notre Dame if you were to turn your prayers and Communions over to Van now, and send him an assurance of your spiritual support. Fill in a lot of "Masses heard." The only Mass Van has heard since he met with his accident was the one broadcast Christmas night. Take his place.