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Tonight The Lenten Series

Tonight, at 6:45 in Sacred Heart Church, we open the Lenten series of five Wednesday evening talks by the popular author, Father John O'Brien of our own faculty. An interesting and able speaker, he will give you a treat with his short, dynamic sermon. The brief sermon will be followed by Benediction.

You have seen and read many of his works -- his experiences with converts; his street-preaching; his tackling current problems. He's a good story-teller, and a great instructor. Don't miss him.

And lest you think this Lenten Series might in any way hamper your activities for the evening, you might like to know that you will be on the road by 7:15, wiser and happier in the knowledge that you are keeping faith with the Lenten season at Notre Dame. All other activities are designed to wait until this service is over.

"Pass The Buck, Please!"

Now there's a shabby old American pastime that you can dignify past all belief. How? Well, sir, you would never, in all this world believe it -- but it can be done with great dignity, and even greater merit to that skimpy ledger-standing of meritorious works you have to your credit. How? With a "buck" for the Bengal Bouts.

This is Lent; and almsgiving is in order. Whether you attend or not, buy a ticket with money heretofore designated for some other entertainment.

Charity, The Spirit Behind The Bouts

This is "big stuff" to the missionaries -- this "buck" that you give to the priests, the Brothers and the Sisters from Notre Dame and St. Mary's. You help them carry the Faith, and medicine, and the Charity of Christ to the jungles of Bengal -- one of the toughest mission fields in all this world. Yes, you participate in that glorious apostolate when you support the Bengal Bouts.

Word from Father Vince McCauley, '30, informs us that the missionaries themselves are not only interested in the bouts, but pray fervently that God will bless every one of you for assisting in this mission work. Events like the Bengal Bouts make you the men behind the missionaries in a practical and fundamental sense. Says Father McCauley: "May the Queen of the Missions help all of you to sanctify your efforts and make them even more successful in this Marian Year!"

Give Something

Here's an event where there should be no complimentary tickets at all. It should be regarded as an honor to contribute to this apostolic event. We remember when even the fighters themselves bought tickets. Furthermore, it's the event which gives stature to the Knights of Columbus on campus, -- this charity by Notre Dame men at home for Notre Dame men in God's field afar. Make sure you "Pass the Buck" to Bengal. The prelims are always the best. Drop in tomorrow night at the fieldhouse.

Tomorrow, The Novena Begins

Many generations of Notre Dame men have treasured the Novena to St. Joseph. They felt that he understood them and their needs; and that he was reliable. He was the man of the house sheltering the holiest of families. "Go to Joseph" has been the directive of generations. Start the novena tomorrow morning -- in private. Choose your own prayers; say them at your own convenience.