Five Cokes For Bengal

Promoter Billy Magarrall announces that his show is ready. The Notre Dame Championships in boxing, with the added attraction of a grudge fight between the Sorin Subway and Corby's Third Floor, will take place Friday evening in the Gymnasium. The price of admission is the price of five cokes; the cause for which you are asked to sacrifice this much is the work Notre Dame and the Congregation of Holy Cross are doing in Bengal.

Your sacrifice of a quarter will go a long way in Bengal, where the cost of living is extremely low. An urgent need this year is for the maintenance of catechists in the field. Bishop Crowley wrote recently of this need:

"Through God's mercy and the charity of friends in the United States we have been able up to now to maintain last year's strength in the catechist corps. But we need a host of new men. Biradakuni alone needs ten men; Father Gomes requires the same number for his immense Southern Garo Mission; Father Dominic D'Rosario's new station in the east, thirty-six miles' distance over roadless jungle from the nearest city, has already developed a long list of urgent needs. Father Dominic, as well as the others, are fast cultivating patience. **Delegations from hitherto unvisited territory call upon them for teachers.** They experience how painful it is to be obliged to refuse. The missionaries say it is a kind of purgatorial feeling to be so nearly within reach of a land of promise and yet to be constrained to wait on and on, their own efforts being so unavailing. You can understand how I share in their purgatory. Of, if generous Catholics at home would realize how wonderful a work it is to support a catechist!"

The catechist is a native layman who does the instructing of native catechumens.* His standard of living is no higher than that of the people among whom he works, and a hundred dollars a year or so will fill his meager needs. If we are able to support three catechists for a year with the proceeds of Friday night's show, there is no telling how many converts may be made through their efforts. And if your delicate senses are averse to bloody noses and black eyes, buy a ticket anyway and throw it away. It's all in a good cause.

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**Announcements**

**NOVENA FOR VOCATIONS:** It begins tomorrow. Offer your Holy Communion and say a prayer to the Holy Ghost daily for nine days for the grace to choose wisely your state in life, the grace to fulfill the duties of that state, and also for all the needs of the Church.

**WAY OF THE CROSS:** Friday evening at 7:00 in the church; in the halls the time will be announced by the rectors.

**PRAYERS:** Richard Cannon, of Walsh Hall, underwent an operation for appendicitis yesterday; the appendix had ruptured. Four special intentions.