For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 12 -- Plans for enlarging Fisher Hall, the newest of Notre Dame's fourteen student residence buildings, were announced today by the Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice-president of the University.

Two floors will be added to the north-south wing of the building, Father Joyce said, providing living accommodations for an additional forty students. He explained that Fisher Hall was originally designed so that third and fourth floors might be added at a later date.

Father Joyce announced that the Chicago firm of Holabird, Root and Burgee is architect for the $100,000 project and that a construction contract has been awarded to Peter Schumacher and Sons, Mishawaka, Indiana. Construction will begin at the close of the school year next May, he said, and the new addition will be ready for occupancy in September, 1955.

Also scheduled for completion next September is Pangborn Hall which is situated immediately west of Fisher Hall. The $800,000 structure, whose construction began in October, will be Notre Dame's fifteenth campus residence building. It will provide rooms for two hundred students as well as a chapel and recreation room.

Fisher Hall, a gift of the late Mrs. Fred J. Fisher, Detroit, Michigan, was dedicated on November 28, 1952. Her husband, the late Fred J. Fisher, was a co-founder and first president of the Fisher Body Company. He was a member of Notre Dame's Associate Board of Lay Trustees for more than twenty years until his death in 1941.

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Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 18 -- A Florentine primitive painting, "The Madonna of Humility," has been given to the University of Notre Dame galleries by Lady Marcia Cunliffe-Owen of New York City (891 Park Avenue), curator Paul Byrne announced today.

The painting, a cradled panel set in a Gothic frame, is attributed to Spinello Aretino who was born about 1333 and died in 1410. Some of Spinello's finest work is in fresco in the Sacristy of San Miniato near Florence.

Another of Spinello's works, a small "Crucifixion," was given to the Notre Dame galleries several years ago by the late P. C. Reilly, Indianapolis, Ind., industrialist. Reilly was a member of the University's Associate Board of Lay Trustees from 1935 until his death in 1952.
Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 17 — Dr. Charles Brambel, a noted Baltimore biologist and biochemist, has been appointed head of Notre Dame's Department of Biology, according to an announcement today by the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., university president. Dr. Brambel currently is Director of the Anticoagulant Clinic at Mercy Hospital, Baltimore, as well as a faculty member at the University of Maryland Medical School. He will assume his new post at Notre Dame next September succeeding the Rev. Robert Sheehan, C.S.C., who will continue as a member of the biology faculty.

Internationally recognized for his research in dicumarol prophylaxis and therapy, Dr. Brambel presented a paper at the International Conference on Thrombosis and Embolism at Basel, Switzerland, last July. He presented exhibits at the Swiss conference and at the Second World Congress of Cardiology at Washington, D.C., in September. Dr. Brambel is one of several internationally known scholars who will be appointed to the Notre Dame faculty in the coming months under the University's distinguished professors program.

Dr. Brambel was educated at The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, receiving his doctorate there in 1931. He was an instructor at Johns Hopkins from 1932 to 1942 and during the same period was a consulting clinical biochemist at Mercy Hospital. He became assistant director of the hospital's clinical laboratory and training school for medical technology in 1936 and director of its anticoagulant clinic in 1943. He has been teaching at the University of Maryland Medical School since 1948.

A frequent contributor to professional journals, Dr. Brambel is a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Society of Zoologists, the Baltimore Medical Society, the Maryland Association of Pathologists and the International Society of Hematologists.
Washington, D.C., Nov. 9 — "If Communism were to be wiped from the face of the earth today or tomorrow, we would not ourselves be better than we are today, only perhaps less harassed," the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame, declared here today.

Addressing the National Conference on the Spiritual Foundations of America Democracy, Father Hesburgh asserted that religious faith "is still our best weapon: the present conflict." A secular faith in our democratic form of government, he said, "is an empty shell without the religious faith which inspires it and gives it depth."

The Notre Dame president warned that "even without the diabolic efforts of Communism, democracy will surely wither from within if our faith weakens, for it was this same religious faith that watched over our birth and grew with us to maturity."

President Eisenhower spoke briefly at the conference which was sponsored by the recently organized Foundation for Religious Action in the Social and Civil Order. Other speakers during the three-day sessions were Thomas E. Murray of the Atomic Energy Commission; Seaborn P. Collins, national commander of The American Legion; Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin of the Wilshire Boulevard Temple, Los Angeles, Calif.; and Dr. Robert L. Johnson, former head of the U. S. Information Agency.

The current world struggle, Father Hesburgh said, is "not just democracy versus Communism as two opposing political orders, even less the physical might of the West against the armed divisions of the totalitarian regime, but two world views and two views of man locked in mortal combat." He said that America must "rediscover and reactivate the faith that gave birth to our democracy, and make this faith an active, vital force in the world today if we are to face this present scourge and conquer it, and indeed, if we are to grow and survive independently of this threat."

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Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 19 -- Thirty-one Notre Dame seniors and graduate students will represent the University in the 1954-55 edition of WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, it was announced here today. They were selected on the basis of their scholastic record and leadership in extra-curricular activities.

Among those to be included in the volume are Richard W. Burke, Chicago, Ill., president of the senior class; Joseph C. Daley, Girardville, Pa., president of the Student Senate; Bernard J. LaLonde, Dearborn, Mich., editor of THE DOME, Notre Dame's yearbook; Richard A. Beeman, River Forest, Ill., manager of WNDU, the student operated radio station; Lawrence Brehl, Washington, Pa., editor of THE SCHOLASTIC, campus weekly; and John C. O'Meara, Hillsdale, Mich., chairman of The Blue Circle, a campus honorary organization.


For release Monday, Nov. 15 or thereafter:

Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 15 -- Funeral services were held here today (Monday) for Rev. Joseph H. Cavanaugh, C.S.C., 37, head of the department of religion at the University of Notre Dame, who died Nov. 11 after an illness of several months. Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, was celebrant of the Solemn Requiem Mass in Sacred Heart Church on the campus.

A native of Harpers Ferry, Iowa, Father Cavanaugh entered the Congregatio of Holy Cross in 1934 and made his final profession six years later. He was graduated from Notre Dame in 1940 and was ordained on June 24, 1944. Following his ordination, Father Cavanaugh studied at Laval University, Quebec, where he received the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology in 1946.

Father Cavanaugh joined the faculty of Notre Dame's religion department in the Fall of 1946. A specialist in the development of theology in the Patristic period, he was named head of the religion department in 1952. He was the author of Evidence For Our Faith, published by the University of Notre Dame Press in 1949, and a member of The American Theological Society.

Surviving Father Cavanaugh are two brothers and four sisters including Sister Joan Marie of the Sisters of Mercy, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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For release in AM's, Friday, December 3rd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Dec. 2 — The appointment of G. F. D'Alelio, vice president and manager of research for the Koppers Company, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., as head of Notre Dame's chemistry department was announced today by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University. D'Alelio will assume his new duties on February 1st, Father Hesburgh said. He succeeds Dr. Charles Price who resigned the post in September.

D'Alelio, who holds more than three hundred patents, has been associated with the Koppers Company since 1947. During the previous year he was manager of high polymer research for the Industrial Rayon Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio. In 1943 he was appointed director of research for the Prophylactic Brush Company, Northampton, Mass., serving as vice president of that firm from 1944-46. D'Alelio was employed by the General Electric Company in its plastics department, Pittsfield, Mass., from 1936-43. He was staff chemist and director of GE's plastics laboratories from 1941-43.

A native of Charlestown, Massachusetts, D'Alelio received his bachelor's degree at Boston College in 1931. He was awarded the Charles J. O'Malley Fellowship at The Johns Hopkins University where he received his Ph. D. in chemistry. He is the author of six books and laboratory manuals including *Fundamental Principles of Polymerization — Rubbers, Plastics and Fibers* published in 1952. He has also written several articles for professional journals.

D'Alelio is a member of professional and scientific societies including the American Chemical Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, the American Institute of Chemists and the American Ordnance Association. In 1946 he received the Naval Bureau of Ordnance Individual Citation for War Research and Development.

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Notre Dame, Ind., Dec. 3 — The University of Notre Dame will be rededicated to Our Lady in solemn ceremonies climaxing the Marian Year on Wednesday (Dec. 8), the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., university president, will be the celebrant of a Solemn High Mass in Sacred Heart Church on the campus. A sermon on the place of Our Lady at the University will be preached by Rev. Eugene P. Burke, C.S.C., a Notre Dame faculty member for more than forty years. Music for the Mass will be sung by the Moreau Seminary Choir.

Following the Mass, Father Hesburgh will recite a specially composed prayer rededicating the University of Notre Dame to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The name Notre Dame, which is French for Our Lady, was chosen by the Rev. Edward F. Sorin, C.S.C., founder and first president of the University, when he and his companions arrived at the site of the future school in 1842.

The occasion of the rededication will be commemorated by placing a sculptured figure of "Notre Dame -- Our Lady of the University" at the entrance to the campus. The seven-foot white limestone statue portraying the Virgin Mary as a young woman is the work of Rev. Anthony Lauck, C.S.C. of the Notre Dame art department. The statue, which will be mounted on a shaft of approximately seven feet, is intended to express a welcome to students and visitors as they arrive at the campus entrance. Weather permitting, it will be blessed following a procession from Sacred Heart Church.

Wednesday's events will climax a series of symposia, lectures, religious exercises, musical presentations and art exhibits in observance of the Marian Year. The Marian Year was proclaimed by Pope Pius XII to mark the one-hundredth anniversary of the definition of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

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Notre Dame, Ind., -- To perpetuate the fruits of the Marian Year and deepen devotion to the Blessed Virgin, Our Sunday Visitor Press has issued a pamphlet, Prayers to Our Lady, prepared by the Rev. John A. O'Brien, noted author-in-residence at the University of Notre Dame.

The booklet opens with an explanation of why Catholics honor the Mother of our Lord, and shows the Scriptural foundation for that practice. An appeal is made to non-Catholic readers to test for themselves the fruitfulness of this devotion, by praying to Our Lady.

"For 1900 years," writes Father O'Brien, "Christians have been praying to Our Lady, and some of the most beautiful of all our prayers have resulted from the efforts of her children to express their reverence, homage and love for the chaste Mother of God and the Mother of all Christians. No one has ever prayed to her in vain."

The booklet contains all the most popular and beautiful prayers to Our Blessed Lady, and they cover virtually every human need. Included are the prayer to Our Lady composed by St. Francis Assisi, and also the Prayer composed by Pope Pius XII at the opening of the Marian Year.

In order to enable the booklet to serve the needs of millions it has been published in vestpocket size. It will encourage all Catholics to continue the practice fostered during the Marian Year of praying each day to Our Lady, the chaste and lovely Mother of God.

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