

For release in AM's, Wednesday, August 3rd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 2 --- One hundred sixty-nine students, more than a third of them nuns, today (2:30 p.m.) received graduate and undergraduate degrees at Notre Dame's summer commencement. Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs, presided at the exercises in the University Drill Hall.

Dr. William O. Shanahan, the commencement speaker, told the graduates that modern man's intellectual life is threatened by the absence of leisure. "Our times are peculiarly 'leisure-less,'" he said. Pointing out that thinking requires quiet and the opportunity for unbroken meditation. Professor Shanahan asserted that "despite our technology, despite our gadgets, leisure is in short supply. It is the most scarce commodity in the world."

A professor of history at Notre Dame and a member of the University's Committee on International Relations, Shanahan conceded that modern appliances and gadgets create convenience, but not the real leisure which is the basis of culture. He claimed that man's rational life is also threatened by two other sources: "the mass culture created by an urban technological age" and "a rootless, traditionless intellectualism which discounts the heritage of classical and Christian thought."

Preaching the baccalaureate sermon at a Solemn High Mass in Sacred Heart Church on the campus this morning. Rev. Cletus Bachofer, C.S.C., urged the graduates to become "Christ-minded." Father Bachofer, an associate professor of biology at Notre Dame, reminded the students that they should grow intellectually and spiritually at the same time. "You who have been educated in this great Catholic university," he said, "should strive always for intellectual excellence in Christ's name. Your education at Notre Dame has had really only one purpose: to let Christ shine through you more brilliantly."

Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice president of Notre Dame, was celebrant of the baccalaureate Mass.

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 3 -- Religious superiors must practice humility and charity while exercising authority over their spiritual subjects, Bishop Lawrence J. Shehan of Bridgeport declared here tonight (Wednesday).

The Connecticut prelate addressed the formal opening of the third annual Institute of Spirituality in Sacred Heart Church on the University of Notre Dame campus. More than 800 superiors and novice mistresses of women's religious orders are attending the sessions (Aug. 3-9). The Institute is designed to provide a theological background which will assist religious superiors in the spiritual formation of Sisters under their supervision.

"We must face the fact," Bishop Shehan told the superiors, "that many of our subjects are far dearer to Christ than we. While in the order of authority we stand above our subjects, yet in the order of grace many of them stand much higher," he said. He cited the story of St. Bernadette whose superiors found it difficult to understand why such a poor, un-lettered girl should be favored by the great apparitions at Lourdes.

"Nor is it only in the supernatural order that our subjects sometimes surpass us," Bishop Shehan declared. "It is a fact, which is sometimes difficult for us to face, that some of them surpass us in natural endowments." Religious superiors must never permit their own pride to obstruct those special abilities of others, even if they seem "to dim the lustre which we believe should surround our own position," he asserted.

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Bishop Shehan urged the Sisters superior to deal with their subjects the same way as Christ dealt with His apostles. The apostles, he said, were "simple, ordinary men of the region" and "not so different from the kind of people the average religious superior acquires for his or her subjects. Certainly they gave evidence of the same very human and very annoying traits," the Bishop observed.

"Did Christ keep the apostles for long years, like children, under a minute supervision, making sure that their wills were completely and permanently submissive to His will in every smallest detail, before giving them the slightest responsibility?", Bishop Shehan asked. Rather, he pointed out, Christ instructed the apostles and "as soon as He felt that they were ready for a little responsibility He gave it to them. He gave them a taste of the joy of working for Him on their own responsibility, of doing something themselves, something that was really worthwhile," the Bishop continued. "He knew they were imperfect; He knew that they would make mistakes, but He bestowed upon them the happiness of achievement."

"No one in his senses will question the essential importance of obedience in the religious life," Bishop Shehan declared, "and far be it from me to speak slightingly of it, but we have Christ's own word that the letter killeth but the spirit giveth life. Nowhere is this more applicable than in the matter of obedience."

Bishop Shehan said that the religious life should restrain and subject that which is wayward as well as perfect and sanctify that which is good. But our basic characteristics and needs remain, he said. "To develop and to do **our** best work we all need at least a bit of responsibility; we need encouragement; we need a sense of achievement. We need the assurance that our time, our effort, our lives are productive; that they are not simply wasted. We need the realization that we count for something in the eyes both of Almighty God and of those superiors who exercise God's authority."

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. --- Professor James A. Reyniers, founder and director of Notre Dame's Lobund Institute, recently left for Europe where he will address two international scientific conferences. He will report to European scientists on germfree life research underway at the Notre Dame laboratories. Reyniers and his associates pioneered in the use of the germfree animal as a unique tool in biological and medical research.

At the Third International Congress of Biochemistry being held in Brussels, Belgium, the first week of August, Reyniers will speak on "Germfree Life Methodology (Gnotobiotics) and Experimental Nutrition." He will also address a Symposium on Virus Chemotherapy being held as part of the International Medical Congress in Verona, Italy, early in September. His subject there will be "Germfree Life Methodology (Gnotobiotics) and Virology."

Professor Reyniers also will visit research institutions in England, France, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, Sweden, Denmark and Spain. As a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Damon Runyon Memorial Fund, he will inspect several European cancer research projects supported by the Fund.

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For release in AM's, Friday, August 19th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 18 --- The University of Notre Dame today announced that four new buildings on its campus will be dedicated this Fall. The structures and their dedication dates include the Notre Dame Bookstore, Sept. 24th; WNDU-TV, the University's television station, Oct. 1st; the Mestrovic sculpture studios, Oct. 29th; and Pangborn Hall, a student residence building, Nov. 19th.

The new Notre Dame Bookstore, erected at a cost of \$250,000, was made possible by a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Romy Hammes of Kankakee, Ill. The building also includes a clothing shop and ten bowling alleys. The Bookstore dedication will coincide with the Fall meeting of the College of Commerce Advisory Council of which Mr. Hammes is a member.

Television stars and members of Notre Dame's Liberal and Fine Arts Advisory Council will attend the formal dedication of WNDU-TV which went on the air July 15th. The building provides studios and offices for the TV station as well as for WNDU, a radio station operated by the University. WNDU-TV, which will become a center for instruction in the communications arts at Notre Dame, operates on UHF channel 46 and is affiliated with the NBC Television Network.

The \$75,000 building which will provide studios for sculptor Ivan Mestrovic and his students is a gift of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. O'Shaughnessy of St. Paul, Minn. Notre Dame's Associate Board of Lay Trustees, of which Mr. O'Shaughnessy is a member, will attend the dedication. Mestrovic, regarded as the outstanding living sculptor of religious subjects, joins the Notre Dame faculty in September under the University's Distinguished Professors Program.

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Pangborn Hall, the fifteenth residence building on the campus, will be occupied by two hundred students beginning in September. Like all Notre Dame residence halls, it includes a chapel and lounge. Constructed at a cost of \$800,000, it is the gift of Thomas and John Pangborn, Hagerstown, Md., industrialists, through the Pangborn Foundation. The former is a member of Notre Dame's Advisory Council for Science and Engineering whose members will be present at the dedication.

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For release in PM's, Thursday, August 25th:

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 25 --- A University of Notre Dame professor today declared that high school and college students must be taught to recognize the "moral dimension" of modern business problems.

Dr. Herbert Johnston, keynoting the national conference of the Catholic Business Education Association at the Palmer House, said that too many students "show a nearly complete lack of ability" to comprehend any moral implications in business life. There are some, he said, who are convinced that no such implications exist.

Courses in moral theology or moral philosophy, taught in terms of abstract principles and isolated from the rest of the curriculum, have relatively little impact on the student, Professor Johnston contended. "We should teach them business ethics, or moral theology in its business applications," he said. "Anything less will run the serious risk of leaving our students' moral knowledge and business knowledge just two parallel lines that never meet."

Johnston, author of Readings and Cases in Business Ethics, cited the guaranteed annual wage, "right-to-work" laws and recent amendments to the Taft-Hartley Law as examples of controversial issues with definite moral implications.

Considering specific cases, rather than abstract principles, in the classroom is the most effective way of "helping students get their moral knowledge into and not just parallel to their business knowledge," Johnston said. If we can accomplish this, he concluded, "we have done a great thing, and a thing that no other educational agent can do."

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For release in PM's, Wednesday, August 17th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 17 --- Dr. Antonio de Luna has been appointed visiting professor of natural law at Notre Dame and acting editor of THE NATURAL LAW FORUM, the new publication of the Notre Dame Law School, it was announced here today by Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., university vice president for academic affairs. An authority on both natural and international law, Professor de Luna has been a faculty member at the University of Madrid since 1932. He is one of several internationally recognized figures appointed to the Notre Dame faculty under the University's Distinguished Professors Program.

THE NATURAL LAW FORUM, which Professor de Luna will edit, will publish articles of the highest scholarship on natural law in the context of today's world. The publication will feature reports on developments in the field of natural law and is expected to make the University of Notre Dame the international center of information on the subject.

Professor de Luna lectured at several leading American universities during 1954 at the invitation of the State Department. He is the author of The Foundation of International Law (1951) and The Professional Ethics of the Lawyer (1954) as well as numerous articles in professional journals. He was educated at the Universities of Granada, Madrid and Bologna where he received a Doctor of Laws degree in 1925. He studied in later years at the University of Freiburg in Germany.

From 1932 to 1936 Professor de Luna was director of the Institute of International Studies in Economics in Madrid. During this period he provided refuge at the Institute for a number of Jewish scholars who fled Nazi Germany. Since 1941 he has been head of the international relations department of the Institute of Political Studies. He is a member of the Spanish Commission for the Codification of Air Law and a former member of the Board of Admission to the Spanish diplomatic service. Dr. and Mrs. de Luna have eight sons and two daughters.

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For release in PM's, Friday, August 19th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 19 --- The National Catholic Bandmasters' Association will hold its third annual convention at the University of Notre Dame, August 26-28. Band directors from more than sixty high schools and colleges are expected to attend the sessions. During the ten days preceding the convention (Aug. 16-26) the NCBA is conducting a summer band camp for high school musicians on the campus.

Raymond Dvorak, director of the University of Wisconsin bands, will address the convention banquet August 28th. Other speakers at the sessions include Forrest L. McAllister, editor and publisher of SCHOOL MUSICIAN; composer Harold Walters; William Sandburg, president of Educational Music, Inc.; and T. P. Kexel, educational director of the Holton Instrument Co.

Many phases of band organization and instrumentation will be discussed at the NCBA meeting. Topping the convention schedule of concerts and demonstrations will be a recital by the Chicago Symphony Woodwind Quintet (Aug. 28). New officers will be elected at the close of the sessions.

The Catholic Bandmasters' Association was founded and held its charter meeting at Notre Dame in 1953. Current officers are Robert F. O'Brien, director of the Notre Dame Band, president; Clarence J. Kriesa, St. Ambrose College, Davenport, Ia., vice president; William B. Watts, Catholic Central High School, Detroit, Mich., secretary-treasurer; Eugene J. Leahy, national coordinator, and Rev. Carl Hager, C.S.C., national chaplain, both of Notre Dame. Brother Roy Nash, C.S.C., is director of the NCBA's summer camp.

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. --- The body of Very Rev. Basil Anthony Moreau, founder of the Congregation of Holy Cross which operates the University of Notre Dame, was exhumed recently at Le Mans, France, as part of the process leading toward his beatification. French and Vatican prelates as well as representatives of the various provinces of the Holy Cross priests, Brothers and Sisters throughout the world attended the rites at the mother church of the Congregation on July 21st.

Medical experts verified the remains as those of the French priest who died at Le Mans in 1873. The next step in the beatification process is the re-examination of the life and virtues of Father Moreau by a tribunal at Le Mans acting on the authority of the Holy See. The introduction of Father Moreau's cause for beatification was approved by the Sacred Congregation of Rites on March 15th. The decree officially introducing his cause was signed by Pope Pius XII on May 12th.

Father Moreau took the first step in founding the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1835. Gathering about him a small group of priests of the Le Mans diocese, he united them with the Brothers of St. Joseph whom he was directing. Six years later he founded the Sisters of Holy Cross. He served as superior general of the community for thirty years and visited Notre Dame and nearby St. Mary's College in 1857. Father Moreau's life story will be published by the Bruce Publishing Co., Milwaukee, in October.

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For release in AM's, Thursday, August 18th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 17 --- Catholics who have held the most important offices in the history of the United States "have never made the slightest effort to interfere with traditional American liberties," according to Rev. Thomas T. McAvoy, C.S.C., head of the history department at the University of Notre Dame.

Writing in THE AVE MARIA published here (Aug. 20th issue), Father McAvoy debunks the notion that so-called Catholic power is a threat to the American way of life.

"Probably the greatest source of prejudice against Catholics in current America is a fear of Catholics in power," Father McAvoy writes. "Yet there is scarcely any form of public service where Catholics have been more powerless," he contends.

The relatively few Catholics who have held high government posts --- Supreme Court Justices Taney, White, McKenna, Butler and Murphy are cited as examples --- "have never found a conflict between their religion and their offices," Father McAvoy declares. And yet, he continues, "there still remains a prejudice against permitting a Catholic to be President or Secretary of State, and a fear that eventually there might be a conflict between a Catholic's duty to the state and his duty to his religion."

Father McAvoy, who also serves as managing editor of Notre Dame's REVIEW OF POLITICS, feels that the quickest way to remove such prejudice is by encouraging more Catholics to enter public service. According to the Notre Dame historian, "much of the scandals in government in recent decades can be blamed on the moral training of the men who have entered public service, and the unfortunate result has been that young men of high standards have been discouraged from seeking such position."

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For release in PM's, Tuesday, August 23rd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 23 --Rev. Carl Hager, C.S.C., has been appointed head of the department of music at the University of Notre Dame, according to an announcement today by Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs. Father Hager succeeds Daniel H. Pedtke, head of the department since 1939, who relinquished the administrative post to devote more time to teaching and directing the famed Notre Dame Glee Club.

Father Hager, composer of several selections for piano, string quartette and band, has been a Notre Dame faculty member since 1941. From 1939 to 1947 he was director of the Moreau Seminary Choir at Notre Dame. A native of Plymouth, Indiana, Father Hager has received master's degrees from Notre Dame and DePaul University, Chicago. He was ordained a priest in the Congregation of Holy Cross on June 24, 1939.

Under Professor Pedtke's leadership the Notre Dame Glee Club has achieved national prominence through its concert tours, record albums and annual appearances on Ed Sullivan's "Toast of the Town" television program. Pedtke has composed several works for piano and organ as well as a Mass in honor of St. Jude. He is a Fellow of the American Guild of Organists and is the organist and choirmaster at St. Patrick's Church in South Bend.

The Notre Dame music department offers courses leading to the bachelor's and master's degrees in music and music education. Its modern studios are located in the new O'Shaughnessy Hall of Liberal and Fine Arts on the campus.

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For release in PM's, Thursday, August 25th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 25 -- Scientists of the future are destined to occupy positions of great influence and power and will be responsible in large measure for the peace and welfare of peoples all over the globe, according to Dr. O. A. Battista, nationally known science writer and research chemist.

Dr. Battista describes the dearth of Catholic scientists in an article, "Should Your Son Be a Scientist?" in THE AVE MARIA (Aug. 27th issue) published here. A prolific writer on scientific subjects, Battista heads the Analytical Laboratories in the Research and Development Division of the American Viscose Corporation.

"Science has been indifferent to the benefits of religious guidance because there have been and are, relatively, so few properly qualified men and women with any honest religious convictions in its vanguard," Battista writes. Of the 300 most eminent men listed in American Men of Science only two per cent are Catholics, he says. Pointing out that undergraduate scientific training is no longer adequate for competitive technical advancement and progress, Battista deplores the fact that "only a handful of our Catholic institutions are able to grant graduate degrees" in chemistry, physics, biology or engineering.

Dr. Battista debunks the notion that most scientists are atheists or agnostics. "Some of the most devout religious men alive today," he writes, "are top scientists in their fields." He contends that "only Christian leadership at top scientific levels will insure the Christian applications of scientific knowledge." Thousands of Catholic youth, Battista says, must be recruited to serve on "the world's frontiers of science."

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For release in AM's, Friday, August 26th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Aug. 25 -- Rev. I. M. Bochenski, O.P., an eminent mathematical logician who has been teaching at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland, will be a visiting professor of philosophy at the University of Notre Dame during the 1955-56 school year, it was announced here today by Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs.

Father Bochenski is the author of Problemgeschichte and is widely known for his writing in his field. He is one of several internationally recognized scholars being added to the Notre Dame faculty under the University's Distinguished Professors Program.

Courses to be conducted by Father Bochenski include "History of Logical Problems" and "Contemporary Logic." During the first semester beginning in September he will also deliver a series of general lectures on Existentialism. He will give another lecture series on Dialectical and Historical Materialism during the second semester.

Father Bochenski served as president of the International Union of Logicians, Methodologists and Philosophers of Science during 1954. The organization met at Amsterdam in September of last year.

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