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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 3 — Seventeen Holy Cross priests and Brothers who will leave soon to serve as missionaries in Pakistan and Ghana participated in a departure ceremony in Sacred Heart Church at the University of Notre Dame tonight (Thursday).

Very Rev. Theodore J. Nehling, C.S.C., provincial of the Holy Cross Fathers' Indiana province, presided at the rites. Rev. Bernard Mullahy, C.S.C., assistant provincial, preached the sermon.

Missionaries bound for Pakistan include Rev. James Madden, C.S.C., New York City; Rev. Francis Burton, C.S.C., Saginaw, Mich.; Rev. Walter Marks, C.S.C., Wyandotte, Mich.; Rev. Vincent Delavy, C.S.C., Roseville, Mich.; Rev. Robert Steigmeyer, C.S.C., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Rev. Charles Gillespie, C.S.C., Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. Harold Bride, C.S.C., Portland, Ore.; Rev. Thomas Zimmerman, C.S.C., Crestline, Ohio; Rev. John Birkmeyer, C.S.C., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Rev. Joseph Lehane, C.S.C., Newport, R. I.; Bro. Francis O'Donnell, C.S.C., Mt. Clemens, Mich.; Bro. Eligius Ruscik, C.S.C., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Bro. Donald Becker, C.S.C., Quincy, Ill.; Bro. Paul Malich, C.S.C., Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Bro. Carl Shonk, C.S.C., Lancaster, Ohio.

Two Holy Cross Brothers participating in the ceremony have been assigned to St. John Secondary School at Sekondi in the newly created African country of Ghana. They are Bro. Rex Hennel, C.S.C., Evansville, Ind.; and Bro. Edwardo Michalik, C.S.C., Delancey, Pa. They will be joined in Ghana by Bro. Donald Allen, C.S.C., Chicago, Ill., who has been teaching in Pakistan.

Bishop Fulton J. Sheen will address the departing missionaries at a dinner to be held at The Commodore Hotel, New York City, October 9th. The missionaries will participate in a second departure ceremony Oct. 10th at St. Patrick's Church, Washington, D. C., with Auxiliary Bishop William McNamara presiding.

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For release in AM's, Wednesday, October 16th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 15--- A symposium commemorating the 700th anniversary of the founding of the Sorbonne will be held at The Pierpont Morgan Library, New York City, (29 E. 36th St.) October 29th at 4 p.m. The septicentennial observance has been organized by The Mediaeval Institute of the University of Notre Dame under the patronage of M. Herve Alphand, French ambassador to the United States.

Two papers dealing with the celebrated French institution and its founder will be presented at the symposium. Rev. A. L. Gabriel, director of The Mediaeval Institute, will speak on "Robert of Sorbonne, the Founder." In a second paper Monsignor P. Glorieux, rector of the Catholic University of Lille, will discuss "The Origins of the College of Sorbonne."

Others scheduled to speak briefly at the symposium are F. B. Adams, Jr., director of The Pierpont Morgan Library; Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs at the University of Notre Dame and chairman of the Sorbonne Committee; and Edouard Morot-Sir, cultural attache of the French embassy and representative of the French universities in the United States.

The College of the Sorbonne, founded in 1257, became one of the most influential centers of learning of western civilization. After its suppression in 1792 it gave its name to the University of Paris which is commonly referred to as The Sorbonne,

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For release in PM's, Thursday, October 17th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 17-- Sir Pierson Dixon, permanent representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations, will give a public address on "Diplomacy in the United Nations" at the University of Notre Dame Law Auditorium October 24th (Thursday) at 8 p.m. The veteran British diplomat, whose address will coincide with the world-wide observance of United Nations Day, will speak under the auspices of Notre Dame's Committee on International Relations. He will be honored at a dinner at The Morris Inn on the campus preceding his talk.

Appointed to his present post at the U-N in March, 1954, Sir Pierson formerly served as principal private secretary to two of Britain's foreign ministers, Anthony Eden and the late Ernest Bevin. He has been deputy undersecretary for both political and economic affairs at the British Foreign Office and attended all the major World War II conferences including those at Yalta, <sup>Cairo</sup>/Casablanca, Quebec, Moscow and Potsdam. From 1948 to 1950 he was his country's ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

Before embarking on his diplomatic career in 1929, Sir Pierson studied at Pembroke College, Cambridge, and at the British School of Archaeology in Athens. He returned to the University to teach classics for a year immediately prior to entering the Foreign Office. One of Sir Pierson's interests is still classical antiquity. He is the author of The Iberians of Spain and Farowell Catullus, an historical novel. Sir Pierson and his wife have a son and two daughters.

Notre Dame's Committee on International Relations, headed by Dr. Stephen Kertesz, former Hungarian minister to Italy, was established in 1948. Since that time it has published twelve books and sponsored a continuing series of lectures and symposia. Its research and other activities are supported in part by the Rockefeller Foundation.

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For release in the AM's, Tuesday, October 22nd:

Notre Dame, Ind., October 21 --- Stanford Hall, a new University of Notre Dame dormitory accommodating three hundred students, will be dedicated Saturday (Oct. 26th) in ceremonies beginning at 9 a.m.

Archbishop John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., of Philadelphia, who was president of Notre Dame from 1934 to 1939, will bless the building following a Mass to be celebrated by Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice president of the University.

The four-story buff brick structure is a gift of Mrs. Grattan T. Stanford of New York City and her late husband who was general counsel of the Sinclair Oil Corporation for thirty years prior to his death in 1946. A 1904 Notre Dame graduate, Mr. Stanford was a member of the University's Associate Board of Lay Trustees for eleven years. Mrs. Stanford is a member of Notre Dame's Women's Advisory Council.

Stanford Hall, the seventeenth student residence building to be erected at Notre Dame, is situated in the northeast sector of the campus. The building includes 150 student rooms, quarters for four Holy Cross priests who serve as rector and prefects, an attractive foyer, study hall and television lounge. The chapel serving Stanford Hall students seats four hundred. Suspended above its travertine marble altar is a maghogany crucifix, the work of sculptor Ivan Mestrovic of the Notre Dame faculty. Mrs. Helen Kellogg, of Chicago, Ill., is the donor of a pipe organ to be installed in the chapel.

Ellerbe and Company, a St. Paul, Minn., architectural firm, designed Stanford Hall. The M.J. McGough Company, also of St. Paul, was the general contractor.

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For release in PM's, Thursday, October 24th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 24 -- Supreme Court Justice William J. Brennan, Jr., and two other federal judges will preside at the final round of the eighth annual Moot Court Competition of the Notre Dame Law School October 28th (Monday) at 8 p.m. in the Engineering Auditorium here. Sharing the bench with Justice Brennan will be Judge John Biggs, Jr., of Philadelphia, chief justice of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, and Judge Henry Norman Graven of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Iowa.

Four Notre Dame law students will compete for the Clarence E. Manion Award, provided annually by the former dean of the law school, and for cash prizes presented by the Notre Dame Law Association. The two winners will represent the University at the regional moot court competition to be held in Chicago next month.

Finalists in the competition are Raymond Tam, Wahiawa, Oahu, Hawaii; John F. Murray, Elmira, N.Y.; William J. Ragan, Buffalo, N.Y.; and Donald L. Very, Pittsburgh, Pa. They will argue a hypothetical case as to whether the federal government can cancel the security clearance of a guided missile research scientist whose wife reportedly associated with known Communists prior to their marriage.

Supreme Court Justices Tom Clark, Charles Whitaker and John Harlan have presided at final rounds of the Notre Dame Moot Court Competition in previous years. The Moot Court is a student organization established to provide experience in appellate practice for law students.

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For release in AM's, Saturday, October 19th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 18 ---- The typical American has developed a remarkable capacity "for being serious about religion without taking religion seriously," a Jewish scholar declared tonight (Friday) at a University of Notre Dame symposium on "Roman Catholicism and the American Way of Life."

Dr. Will Herberg conceded that the United States is "in the grip of a great religious boom" and "an upsurge of religion without precedent in recent times." However, "the very same people who are so unanimous in identifying themselves religiously," he pointed out, "do not hesitate to acknowledge that religion is quite peripheral to their everyday lives."

Dr. Herberg discussed "Religion and Culture in Present-Day America" at the opening session of the two-day symposium sponsored by Notre Dame's history department. He is a professor of Judaic studies and social philosophy at Drew University, Madison, N. J. Also speaking tonight were Dr. Wilhelm Pauck, professor of historical theology, Union Theological Seminary, New York City; and Rev. Francis X. Curran, S. J., professor of history at Loyola Seminary, Shrub Oak, New York.

How can Americans be so religious and secularistic at the same time? Dr. Herberg's answer is that "for increasing numbers of Americans religion serves a function largely unrelated to the content of faith." He contended that religion, instead of one's ethnic or nationalistic background, has become "the prevailing form of defining one's identity as an American in contemporary American society."

America, during the past half-century, has been transformed "from a Protestant country into a three-religion country," Herberg asserted. "The normal religious implication of being an American today," he said, "is that one is either a Protestant, a Catholic or a Jew." This has come about, the Drew University professor said, "not because of any marked increase in Catholics or Jews," but rather through the emergence of a stabilized American third generation. The "securely American" third generation citizens of our country, largely cut off from ethnic ties, are in search of a "heritage," a return to what has gone before, Herberg believes. They cloak themselves not in their grandfather's nationality or his culture, but in his religion which is no danger to their "Americanness", he explained.

Herberg declared that Americans are coming more and more to regard Protestantism, Catholicism and Judaism "as three alternative, though not necessarily equal, expressions of a great overarching commitment which they all share by virtue of being Americans." This trend Herberg described as the "Americanization" and "thoroughgoing secularization" of religion. It means, he said, "that we have in America an invisible, formally unacknowledged, but very potent religion --- the religion of democracy, the religion of the American way of life --- of which the conventional religions are felt to be more or less adequate expressions."

This "divinization of the American Way," though it is one of the best ways of life yet devised for a mass society, is as "abhorrent" to the man of Jewish or Christian faith as the ancient civic religions such as that of the Roman Empire, Herberg observed. Religion, he said, has thus been "converted into a tool for secular purposes." It has been fashioned into a "man-centered cult of 'peace of mind,' 'positive thinking' and American belonging, he concluded.

Father Curran, in his paper on "The Religious Revival and Organized Religion," agreed that religion "is more respected, more discussed, more popular than it has been for a generation." However, he said, "there is little indication that the revival of religion has had any important effect upon membership in the Catholic Church." The increasing number of American converts to Catholicism, about 1,750,000 since 1940, he said, can be attributed to "the lessening of anti-Catholic prejudice and the greater presence and prestige of Catholicism."

The Jesuit historian speculated that the so-called revival of religion is a phenomenon "which does not increase church membership," that the increase in church membership "has nothing to do with the revival of religion," and that finally the revival of religion is not a revival at all "and has little to do with religion."

(EDITORS: Dr. Pauck's text not available in advance.)



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For release in PM's, Monday, October 21st:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 21 -- The appointment of Prof. Frank R. Maxwell (54385 Elmhurst, South Bend) as director of the Department of Audio-Visual Aids at the University of Notre Dame was announced today by Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs. Everett A. Warren, who has been supervising audio-visual matters at the University, will continue as a technical specialist in the department, Father Moore said.

A member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1942, Maxwell is an associate professor of physical education. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Notre Dame and is a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Education at Indiana University.

Prior to joining the Notre Dame faculty, Professor Maxwell taught at Nazareth Hall Military School, Toledo, Ohio, and at Livonia Central School, Livonia, N. Y. He is a member of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation and the Indiana State Teachers Association.

Prof. Maxwell, a native of Rochester, N. Y., is married to the former Doris Stein of Toledo. They have four sons.

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For release in PM's, Wednesday, October 30th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 30th ---- Catholics who visit the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at the University of Notre Dame during 1958, the centennial year of the Virgin Mary's apparitions at Lourdes, France, will receive special indulgences recently granted by the Church, it was announced here today.

According to Rev. Philip Schaerf, C.S.C., who recently conferred with Church officials at the Vatican and at Lourdes, a plenary indulgence may be obtained by members of any group that visits the campus shrine during the centennial year, especially on February 11th, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Persons who visit the Grotto as individuals will receive a partial indulgence, he said. Father Schaerf is director of the Confraternity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady of Lourdes whose headquarters are on the campus.

(A plenary indulgence, Father Schaerf explained, is remission in whole of the temporal punishment due to sin. A partial indulgence is remission in part of such punishment, he said.)

The special indulgences were granted by the Tribunal of the Sacred Penitentiary at the Vatican during Father Schaerf's recent visit to Rome. While in the Eternal City he was received by Eugene Cardinal Tisserant who is chairman of the International Lourdes Centennial Committee. The climax of Father Schaerf's mission to Lourdes and Rome was a private audience with Pope Pius XII who blessed the work of the Confraternity and commended the Notre Dame family for its uninterrupted devotion to Our Lady.

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Earlier Father Schaerf conferred with Bishop Pierre Marie Theas of Lourdes. The French prelate confirmed the 1874 establishment of the Confraternity at Notre Dame, extended to it all the indulgences and privileges of the Archconfraternity in France, and imparted his blessing "on all those who work for the glory of Our Lady of Lourdes." He appointed Father Schaerf as his personal representative to present the dossier of the whole Archconfraternity to the Holy Father.

While in France Father Schaerf visited the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity and Christian Instruction at Nevers. There Mother General Anne Marie Crebassol gave him a first class relic of St. Bernadette to whom the Blessed Virgin appeared eighteen times at Lourdes beginning on February 11, 1858. Subsequently the French peasant girl became a nun. She died in 1879 and was canonized twenty-five years ago in 1933. Her body, still incorrupt, lies in state today in the Motherhouse at Nevers. Her relic soon will be placed in Sacred Heart Church on the Notre Dame campus.

Only sixteen years after Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette at Lourdes, The Confraternity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady of Lourdes was established at the University of Notre Dame in 1874. In 1896 Notre Dame's beautiful Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, a replica of the world-famous French shrine, was completed. In the intervening six decades tens-of-thousands of students, alumni, pilgrims and visitors have prayed at the candlelit shrine.

Meanwhile, the Confraternity grew in numbers and became nationally known through THE AVE MARIA and other publications of the Holy Cross Fathers who operate Notre Dame. Through the Confraternity, the campus became and continues as a center for the distribution of Lourdes water in the United States. Many favors through the years, spiritual and physical, have been attributed to Our Lady and reported to Confraternity headquarters by its members.

Detailed plans for Notre Dame's observance of the centennial of Our Lady's apparitions at Lourdes will be announced at a later date, Father Schaerf said.

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