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For release in PM's, Wednesday, January 6th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 6 -- Three new University of Notre Dame scholarships named for His Eminence Richard Cardinal Cushing will be awarded next September to freshmen from the Archdiocese of Boston.

Two of the full-tuition scholarships will be underwritten by Cardinal Cushing himself, and the other has been established in his honor by the Notre Dame Club of Boston. Each will provide tuition for four years of undergraduate study at the University.

Establishment of the three Cardinal Cushing scholarships was announced recently at the Boston observance of Universal Notre Dame Communion Sunday. The Boston prelate and Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice president of the University, were the principal speakers at the event which was attended by 300 alumni and friends of Notre Dame.

Scholarship winners will be selected by the University's Committee on Scholarships on the basis of superior scholastic performance, personal character, promise of leadership and financial need. Application forms, which must be submitted no later than March 1st, may be obtained from the Committee on Scholarships, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana. Applicants also are urged to take the College Entrance Examination Board's scholastic aptitude tests by February 6th.

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For release in AM's, Thursday, January 7th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 6 -- Plans for two series of summer Workshops in Writing at the University of Notre Dame were announced today by Prof. Thomas J. Stritch, head of the department of communication arts.

Designed especially for those handling communications problems in schools, the three-week workshops will be held June 20-July 8 and July 11-29. A college degree is not necessary for admission.

A workshop on "Teaching Students How to Write for the School Paper and Yearbook" will be conducted by Prof. James Withey, a teacher of writing courses at the University for more than thirty years. Prof. Edward Fischer, a weekly magazine columnist on television, radio and films, will direct a workshop on "Scriptwriting." He will also head workshops on "Printing and Engraving" and "Designing the School Paper and Yearbook."

"Teaching Literature" will be the subject of a workshop to be conducted by Prof. Robert Christin, director of Notre Dame's freshman English program.

Prof. Richard T. Sullivan, author of several novels and many short stories, will conduct a workshop on "Writing and Teaching Fiction." He is a regular book reviewer for The Chicago Tribune.

A workshop on "Reaching the Public," dealing with institutional publicity, fund raising and community relations, will be conducted by John A. Scott, vice president of the Truth Publishing Co., Elkhart, Indiana, and former mayor of South Bend, Indiana.

Additional information on Notre Dame's Workshops in Writing may be obtained by writing Prof. Thomas J. Stritch, director of workshops, department of communication arts, O'Shaughnessy Hall, Notre Dame, Indiana.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, January 3rd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 2 --- Thirteen members of the University of Notre Dame faculty and administration have been appointed to a planning committee for a new campus library expected to cost six million dollars.

Notre Dame alumni are being asked to underwrite one-half the cost of the building, the largest construction project in the University's history. Non-alumni friends and benefactors are expected to contribute an equal amount.

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., University president, today named Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., chairman of the committee which will correlate faculty suggestions for the structure. Father Moore is academic assistant to the president.

Other members of the University administration appointed to the committee include Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice president; Rev. Chester A. Soleta, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs; Rev. Paul Beichner, C.S.C., dean of The Graduate School; and Victor A. Schaefer, director of the University library.

Representing the College of Arts and Letters on the planning committee will be Prof. John T. Frederick, head of the English department; Dr. Joseph W. Evans, associate professor of philosophy and director of The Jacques Maritain Center; and Dr. Otto Bird, director of the General Program of Liberal Education.

Representatives of the other undergraduate colleges include Walter Kramer, assistant professor of marketing management, College of Commerce; Dr. Bernard Cullity, associate professor of metallurgy, College of Engineering; and Rev. Charles Harris, C.S.C., assistant professor of physics, College of Science.

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Dr. Marshall Smelser, professor of history, will be faculty representative for The Graduate School, and Prof. Frank Montana, head of the department of architecture, will serve as the committee's architectural liaison representative.

According to Father Moore, the planning committee will evaluate faculty suggestions and make recommendations on the character and functions of the projected library to the University administration. He said that an architect will be engaged in the near future. It is hoped, he said, that the architect's plans will be completed and that construction may begin before the end of 1960.

Part of Notre Dame's ten-year, \$66,600,000 development program, the new library will house up to two million volumes and will provide study space for up to half of the school's 6,300 students. The present campus library, housing 472,000 volumes, was erected in 1917 when the student body was one-fifth its present size. An additional 200,000 volumes are housed in specialized libraries in the various colleges.

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For release in PM's, Monday, January 11th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 11 -- The election of four new directors of The Notre Dame Alumni Association was announced here today by executive secretary James E. Armstrong.

They are Maurice Carroll, '19, St. Louis, Mo., architect; George Connor, '48, television sports commentator and sales representative of Hoerner Boxes, Inc., Chicago, Ill.; William P. Mahoney, Jr., '39, Phoenix, Ariz., attorney; and Harry Mehre, '22, president of Sunny Isles, Inc., Atlanta, Ga., soft drink firm. Connor and Mehre won football monograms at Notre Dame while Mahoney was captain and later coach (1938-40) of the University's track team.

Armstrong said the newly elected directors, chosen for three years in nationwide balloting among Notre Dame's 27,000 alumni, will be installed at a campus meeting of the Association's twelve-man board January 14-15 (Thurs.-Fri.). Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., University president, will address the group at a dinner January 14 (Thurs.) at 7 p.m. at The Morris Inn. They will also hear reports by other University officials on the school's admissions, placement, development and athletic programs.

A high light of the meeting will be the election of new officers of the Association for 1960. William E. Cotter, Jr., assistant to the vice president of U. S. Steel's Oliver Mining Division, Duluth, Minn., is the retiring president.

Secretaries of Notre Dame's graduating classes for the past fifty years also will convene on the campus January 15-17, Armstrong said. They will hear a preliminary report on Notre Dame's recent alumni self-study survey and attend a series of panel discussions on the various duties of the class secretary. Included on their agenda will be discussions of class organization, campus reunions, the class news column in THE NOTRE DAME ALUMNUS and other technical subjects.

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 5 ---- Vice President Nixon will receive the seventh annual Patriotism Award of Notre Dame's senior class and deliver an address at the University's traditional Washington's Birthday Exercises to be held here February 23rd (Tuesday) at 8 p.m., it was announced today.

Mr. Nixon will speak in the University Drill Hall. Prior to the convocation he will be the guest of Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, and senior class officers at a dinner in The Morris Inn on the campus. Other details of the vice president's visit are not complete.

The Patriotism Award was established in 1954 by Notre Dame's senior class to honor an outstanding American whose life and career "exemplify the American ideals of justice, personal integrity and service to country." The recipient is selected in balloting by the graduating seniors. FBI director J. Edgar Hoover was the first Patriotism Award winner, and space scientist Werner von Braun was honored last year. Other recipients have included Senator John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts, Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, General Curtis LeMay and former Senate investigator Robert Kennedy.

Notre Dame's Washington's Birthday Exercises were inaugurated more than one hundred years ago by Rev. Edward F. Sorin, C.S.C., founder of the University. A traditional highlight of the ceremonies is the presentation of an American flag to the University by the senior class. The flag is blessed and flown for the first time on the seniors' graduation day in June and then is flown on the campus throughout the following year.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, January 10th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 9 --- The appointment of Dr. Frederick D. Rossini as dean of the University of Notre Dame's College of Science and associate dean of the Graduate School (for science) effective September 1st was announced here today by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., University president.

Rossini currently is Silliman Professor and head of the department of chemistry as well as director of the Chemical and Petroleum Research Laboratory at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa. He succeeds Dr. Lawrence H. Baldinger who has been dean of Notre Dame's science school since 1943. Baldinger, a member of the Notre Dame faculty for more than thirty years, will continue to serve the University as associate dean, professor of chemistry and counselor to the University's pre-medical students.

Prior to joining the Carnegie Tech faculty in 1950, Professor Rossini was associated with the National Bureau of Standards for twenty-two years, serving as chief of its section on thermo-chemistry and hydrocarbons beginning in 1936. He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the author or co-author of eight books and approximately 200 scientific papers. He has received numerous professional honors and holds honorary doctorates from Carnegie Tech, Notre Dame and Duquesne University.

Professor Rossini has exercised leadership in scientific affairs in this country and abroad for many years. He served as chairman of the National Research Council's division of chemistry and chemical technology from 1955 to 1958. He has regularly attended the conferences of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry and was appointed by the State Department as head of the American delegation to the conference at Zurich in 1955.

With Father Hesburgh, Professor Rossini is a member of the Policy Advisory Board for the Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, Ill., and he also serves on the Scientific Advisory Council for the Rock Island Arsenal of the U. S. Army Ordnance Corps. He has also been a member of the National Science Foundation's Advisory Panel for Chemistry and its Divisional Committee for the Mathematical, Physical and Engineering Sciences.

Among Professor Rossini's professional honors is the Hillebrand Award of the Chemical Society of Washington, presented in 1934 for his work on the thermochemistry of hydrocarbons. He received the U. S. Department of Commerce Gold Medal Exceptional Service Award in 1950, and last year he received the annual Pittsburgh Award of the American Chemical Society section there.

A native of Monongahela, Pa., Rossini received an undergraduate degree in chemical engineering and a master of science degree from Carnegie Tech in 1925 and 1926 respectively. He was awarded a doctorate in chemistry by the University of California in 1928. He delivered the annual P. C. Reilly lectures in chemistry at Notre Dame in 1949 and has also lectured at Western Reserve University, Howard University, the Catholic University of America and at many professional society meetings. In 1958 he was one of several American scientists invited by the government of India to attend the Indian Science Congress and to visit and lecture at several institutions in that country.

Dr. Rossini is a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Institute of Chemists, the American Physical Society, American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Faraday Society, American Petroleum Institute, American Society for Engineering Education, American Society for Testing Materials, American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Washington Academy of Sciences, Philosophical Society of Washington, Catholic Commission on Intellectual and Cultural Affairs, Albertus Magnus Guild, Newman Club, Catholic Association for International Peace, and several fraternities.

He is married to the former Anne Kathryn Landgraff. They have a twenty-year-old son, Frederick Anthony.

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The enrollment of Notre Dame's College of Science has more than doubled during Dr. Baldinger's seventeen-year tenure as dean. A member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1929, Baldinger received the annual Lay Faculty Award for distinguished service to the University in 1950.

Baldinger holds two undergraduate degrees from Western Reserve University, Cleveland, as well as a master's degree and doctorate awarded by Notre Dame in 1931 and 1933 respectively. He served as head of the University's department of pharmacy from 1933 to 1939 when the pharmacy major was discontinued. He became acting dean of the College of Science in 1942 and was named dean the following year.

A specialist in organic chemistry, Baldinger has conducted extensive research in the oil of peppermint. In addition to his teaching and administrative duties through the years, he has served as faculty advisor to hundreds of pre-medical students at Notre Dame, counseling them and assisting them in the process of entering medical schools elsewhere. Baldinger is a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Pharmaceutical Association and is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Indiana Academy of Science.

He is married to the former Helen Margaret Dwyer. They have three sons and a daughter.

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For release in PM's, Monday, January 25th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 25 -- New and hitherto unknown materials documenting Communist suppression of religion in Russia between 1917 and 1925 are published for the first time in The Russian Revolution and Religion, a new book by Dr. Boleslaw Szczesniak, professor of history at the University of Notre Dame. The volume is the latest of the international studies of the University's Committee on International Relations and has just been published by the University of Notre Dame Press.

In addition to the previously unpublished documents gathered from public and private archives and then translated by Professor Szczesniak, the book includes the texts of anti-religious laws and executive orders of the Bolshevik government as well as articles from Pravda, Ivestia and other Communist publications. The book's appendix provides lists of deported, tortured or murdered Russian Orthodox bishops, lists of desecrated relics and bodies of Orthodox saints, statistical data and a bibliography.

According to Prof. Szczesniak, the Russian Orthodox confession was the official religion of the tsarist empire and, therefore, was the principal target of Bolshevik persecution. Russia's Roman Catholics also were victims of the revolution, but the most violent anti-Semitism was not to appear until after 1930, the Notre Dame historian points out. Moslems were persecuted and "The Buddhists in Siberia and among the Russian controlled Mongols suffered enormously."

There were 790 Roman Catholic priests in Russia when the Bolshevik revolution began, Szczesniak reports. "Of these, 138 were imprisoned, 40 were murdered, and 5 died in prison....All the churches, monasteries, schools, orphanages, houses of the poor and other institutions were brought to a tragic end, together with the ages-old mission of Latin Christianity in that part of the world."

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For release in AM's, Sunday, January 24th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 23 --- Members of Congress and law school deans from Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Ohio, Wisconsin and Michigan are among those invited to participate in a Conference on Civil Rights to be held at The Notre Dame Law School February 14th (Sunday), Dean Joseph O'Meara announced today.

Representatives of several federal agencies and departments also will take part in the sessions which will explore the recommendations of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights and study civil rights measures pending in Congress. O'Meara said the one-day conference is designed to stimulate discussion and an exchange of views among legislators, members of law school faculties and other persons professionally concerned with civil rights problems.

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president and a member of the Civil Rights Commission, will welcome participants at the opening session (9:30 a.m.) and address the conference luncheon. Rep. John Brademas, of Indiana's Third Congressional District, and Dean O'Meara will lead the several discussion periods.

Three major civil rights areas will be explored during the Notre Dame conference. "Protecting the Right to Vote" will be the subject of the first session. An opening statement of the problem will be presented by Prof. Harris L. Wofford, Jr., of the Notre Dame Law School and former legal assistant to Father Hesburgh on the Civil Rights Commission.

The second conference session will be devoted to the subject of "Assisting School Desegregation." Notre Dame law professor Bernard J. Ward will outline the problem in an opening statement.

"Equal Opportunity in Housing" will be the third major subject of the conference. Discussion will be preceded by a survey of the problem presented by Prof. Thomas F. Broden, Jr., of the law school.

The conference will close with a reception at The Morris Inn on the campus.

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For release in AM's, Thursday, January 28th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 27 -- Six graduate fellowships have been established in the University of Notre Dame's department of philosophy under the National Defense Education Act, it was announced here today.

The three-year grants will be awarded to those beginning doctoral studies in the University's graduate philosophy program next September. They were allotted to Notre Dame in conjunction with the philosophy department's expanded program in symbolic logic, and fellowship winners will be required to devote approximately one-quarter of their studies to this specialized field.

A total of 1,500 three-year fellowships has been established in 406 programs at 136 graduate schools by the U. S. Office of Education under the National Defense Education Act. All of the programs to which the fellowships have been allotted must lead to a doctoral degree and must either be new programs or expansions of existing graduate facilities.

Each graduate school receives up to \$2,500 per year for the cost of educating each fellow. The fellows themselves each receive \$2,000 for the first year of study; \$2,200 for the second; \$2,400 for the third plus an allowance of \$400 per year for each dependent.

Students qualified to commence studies for their doctorate in philosophy at Notre Dame may obtain an application form and additional information by writing Rev. Paul Beichner, C.S.C., Dean of the Graduate School, Notre Dame, Indiana.

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For release in PM's, Tuesday, January 26th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 26 -- The University of Notre Dame's eighth annual Union-Management Conference will be held February 26th (Friday) in Washington Hall on the campus, it was announced today by Rev. Mark J. Fitzgerald, C.S.C., conference founder and chairman.

More than five hundred midwestern industrial officials and labor leaders are expected to attend the sessions whose theme will be "Improving the Relations Between the Parties." The one-day conference will begin at 9:30 a.m.

A nationally known arbitrator as well as representatives of industry and labor will address the conference, Father Fitzgerald said. David L. Cole, a veteran arbitrator who has served many times as a member or chairman of presidential boards in industry-wide labor disputes, will speak on "The Outlook for Free Collective Bargaining." Cole, who addressed the first Union-Management Conference at Notre Dame in 1953, is the permanent arbitrator under several labor agreements including those at International Harvester, Inland Steel and DuMont Laboratories.

Edward L. Cushman, general vice president of American Motors Corporation, Detroit, will present "An Evaluation of Industry-wide Bargaining" at the opening session of the conference. Cushman, who has served as director and later vice president for industrial relations at American Motors, was widely known as an industrial arbitrator before joining the company when it was founded in 1954. He is currently serving as chairman of the Governor's Study Commission on Automation in Michigan.

Thomas M. McCormick, secretary-treasurer of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union, Denver, will give "A Union Appraisal of Job Opportunities." McCormick has served as secretary-treasurer of the OCAW since its first convention in 1955. He held the same post for nine years with the Oil Workers union before it merged with the Chemical Workers.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, January 31st:

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 30 --- The appointment of Dr. Marshall Smelser as head of the department of history at the University of Notre Dame was announced today by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., University president.

Smelser, who has specialized in early American history and naval history, succeeds Rev. Thomas T. McAvoy, C.S.C., who has headed the department since 1939. Father McAvoy will continue to serve as professor of history, University archivist, and managing editor of Notre Dame's REVIEW OF POLITICS.

A member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1947, Professor Smelser is the author of two books on naval history, The Congress Finds the Navy, 1787-98, and The Campaign for the Sugar Islands. He conducted research for the former when he held the James Forrestal Fellowship in Naval History at the U. S. Naval Academy during 1956-57. He is co-author of Conceived in Liberty, a high school history text, and currently is writing a history of the United States from 1801 to 1817 to be published as part of Harper's 40-volume New American Nation series.

Professor Smelser is a graduate of Quincy College in Illinois and holds a master's degree and doctorate from Harvard University. Prior to his association with Notre Dame, he taught at St. Thomas College, St. Paul, Minn., and St. Louis University. During World War II he served as an assistant Red Cross field director with the 95th Infantry Division in the European and Mediterranean theaters of operations. His wife is the former Anna May Padberg of Quincy. They have two daughters.

Father McAvoy, an authority on the history of the Catholic Church in the United States, received the John Gilmary Shea Prize in 1957 for his book, The Great Crisis in American Catholic History, 1895-1900. He is also author of The Catholic Church in Indiana, 1789-1834, and co-author of a U. S. history text.

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Notre Dame's history department has experienced marked growth and development under Father McAvoy's chairmanship. The number of undergraduate history majors has grown from 10 in 1939 to 73 this year. Whereas there were virtually no full-time graduate history students twenty years ago, there are 37 in residence today. The history department has offered a doctorate since World War II, and its graduates are teaching in twenty-seven other colleges and universities.

Father McAvoy inaugurated graduate history programs in American and Latin American studies. He also inaugurated undergraduate departmental history examinations. He founded the History Teachers Club of Notre Dame, an organization of more than one hundred members promoting better history teaching in secondary schools. During Father McAvoy's tenure, several distinguished professors have joined Notre Dame's history faculty, notably the celebrated authority on church history, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Philip Hughes. The department has sponsored a continuing series of lectures and conferences including a 1957 symposium on "Roman Catholicism and the American Way of Life" which attracted national attention.

Born in Tipton, Indiana, Father McAvoy began his studies for the priesthood in 1920, was graduated from Notre Dame in 1928, and was ordained the following year. He taught for two years at Holy Cross Seminary on the campus before joining the University faculty in 1933. He holds a master's degree from Notre Dame and a doctorate awarded by Columbia University in 1940. His brother, Rev. Bernard McAvoy, C.S.C., is superior of Holy Cross College, a theological house of studies, Washington, D. C.

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