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For release in PM's, Monday, March 7th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 7 -- Thousands of students from the University of Notre Dame and nearby Saint Mary's College will participate in a colorful mock Democratic national convention in the University Drill Hall here April 3-6.

Three days of speeches, demonstrations and balloting will culminate in the nomination of Democratic presidential and vice presidential candidates. The quadrennial event, sponsored since 1940 by the Academy of Political Science, a student organization, has proved to be prophetic three out of four times.

The students nominated Franklin D. Roosevelt in the spring of 1940, Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952 and Adlai E. Stevenson in 1956. Their ticket in 1948 was Vandenberg and Warren whereas Thomas E. Dewey later received the GOP presidential nomination. No mock convention was held in 1944 because of the war.

According to Lawrence Turner, Academy president and general convention chairman, 1,521 delegates and 760 alternates, chosen from the two schools' national enrollments, will participate directly in the convention. The chairmen of more than fifty state and territorial delegations will be elected at campus caucuses during the week of March 6th, he said.

Turner said a nationally prominent Democratic figure would be the convention's keynote speaker. Other Democratic leaders are being invited to the campus to speak in behalf of avowed or potential candidates including Senators Kennedy of Massachusetts, Humphrey of Minnesota, Johnson of Texas, Symington of Missouri and former Governor Stevenson of Illinois. Student organizations have already been activated in behalf of these five men and others as well.

Turner said details of the convention program will be announced in the near future. Dr. Paul Bartholomew, professor of political science, is the Academy moderator and faculty advisor for the event.

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For release in PM's, Thursday, March 10th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 10 -- The Knights of Columbus at the University of Notre Dame, constituting the oldest and largest campus council in the United States, will celebrate the golden anniversary of their charter with a series of events April 8-10, it was announced today by Grand Knight D. Jerry McGlynn.

As a tribute to Notre Dame Council #1477 on its 50th anniversary, the Supreme Board of Directors of the Catholic fraternal organization will meet on the campus during the three-day celebration.

Heading the group of twenty-two directors and officers will be Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart, New Haven, Conn. Among the directors are two Notre Dame graduates and former members of the campus council, John Rocard of Indianapolis, Ind., and R. Conroy Scoggins, Houston, Texas.

McGlynn said Thomas M. Medland, a Notre Dame senior from Logansport, Ind., has been appointed chairman of the golden anniversary observance. The highlight of the celebration will be a banquet in Notre Dame's South Dining Hall Apr. 9th (Sat.).

The Notre Dame K. of C. unit was chartered on April 10, 1910. Among its forty-one charter members was His Eminence John Cardinal O'Hara, C.S.C., Archbishop of Philadelphia and former Notre Dame president. Today the campus council numbers more than eleven hundred members. Through the years it has accumulated a building fund of more than \$350,000 with which it hopes to establish new quarters on the campus.

The Knights of Columbus is one of the most active organizations at Notre Dame. Since 1946 it has sponsored the Bengal Bouts, an annual campus boxing tournament, benefitting the Holy Cross missions in East Pakistan. The Council provides ushers for Sunday Masses at the campus church. During World War II it directed the sale of war bonds and stamps on the campus. The Council regularly responds to appeals for assistance, and recently helped finance the purchase of a bus to transport migrant Mexican workers to Sunday Mass.

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For release in AM's, Wednesday, March 9th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 8 -- Thirty-one college jazz groups, representing schools in virtually every section of the country, have been selected to compete in the Collegiate Jazz Festival 1960 to be held at the University of Notre Dame March 18-19, it was announced today by chairman James M. Naughton. He said the campus instrumentalists auditioned for the competition by submitting tape recordings to Festival officials.

Prizes valued at \$5,000 will be awarded in various categories, Naughton explained. The best band of seven or more members will win an appearance at the Detroit Jazz Festival next summer, and the best campus combo of six or less members will be awarded an engagement at Chicago's "Blue Note." A giant loving cup, provided by the Associated Booking Corp., will be presented to the outstanding collegiate jazz group, regardless of category. Scholarships and instruments will be awarded to the best soloists and arranger, Naughton said.

Naughton said eleven "big bands" have been accepted for the competition.

They are:

The Colgate Jazz Ensemble	Colgate University
The College Lab Band	North Texas State College
The Jazz Giants	University of Tennessee
Dave's Band (last year's winner)	Indiana University
The Dixie Dynamos	University of Dayton
The Swingin' Chips	Central Michigan University
The Jazz Forum Big Band	Ohio State University
Stan Baker's Band	Loyola University
The NU Lab Band	Northwestern University
The SIU Big Band	Southern Illinois University
The Swinging Sycamores	Indiana State Teachers College

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Twenty combos which will appear at the Notre Dame jazz festival include:

The Modern Man	Dartmouth College
Ran Blake's Combo	Bard College
The Free Forms	Catholic University of America
Dot's Trio	Fairmount (W. Va.) State College
Jim Matthews' Quintet	Randolph-Macon College
The UJW Quartet (last year's best combo)	University of Minnesota
The Brian Hardy Trio	Purdue University
The Bob Sardo Quartet	Purdue University
The Four Axemen	University of Cincinnati
Jim Herbert and His Varsity Five	University of Nebraska
The Allan Beutler Quartet	Michigan State University
The Wayne Ramblers	Wayne State University
The Sextet Moderne	Depauw University
The Stan Cowell Trio	Oberlin College
The Ray Daniels Quartet	DePaul University
The Behm-Martin Sextet	University of Iowa
The USADA Jazz Trio	The Air Force Academy
The Jays	University of Kansas
The Bob Pierson Quartet	University of Detroit
The Lettermen	University of Notre Dame

A scholarship to the Berklee School of Music, Boston, will go to the outstanding instrumentalist, and DOWNBEAT will present scholarships to the National Stage Band Camp at Indiana University to the most promising soloist and arranger. The best soloists will receive instruments from several manufacturers including Conn, Selmer, Rogers, Gibson, Kay, Wurlitzer and The Voice of Music Corp.

Judges for the jazz competition include Charles Suber, publisher of DOWNBEAT; Frank Holzfeind, operator of "The Blue Note"; and Robert Share, administrator of The Berklee School of Music.

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For release in AM's, Friday, March 4th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 3 -- The eighth annual Notre Dame National Invitational Debate Tournament opens here Friday (Mar. 4) with forty-two colleges and universities entered in the competition.

The collegians will be prepared to argue both sides of this year's national debating subject, whether Congress should have the power to reverse decisions of the Supreme Court. All but eight schools will be eliminated in the first six rounds of competition, according to chairman Joel E. Haggard, a Notre Dame junior from Seattle, Wash. The quarter-final, semi-final and final rounds are scheduled for 1:30, 3, and 4:30 p.m. Saturday, he said.

Notre Dame debaters won their own tournament last year as well as in 1956 and 1957. Other winners through the years have been Dartmouth College, 1953; U. S. Military Academy, 1954; Wilkes College, 1955; and Augustana College, 1958.

The name of the winning school this year will be inscribed on the Rev. William A. Bolger Memorial Trophy which is housed at Notre Dame. The first place team will receive the Richard D. Schiller Trophy, and trophies also will go to the other three teams reaching the semi-finals.

Schools competing in the tournament include Ohio State University, Butler University, Western Michigan University, Southern Illinois University, King's College, University of South Carolina, Duke University, Bellarmine College, John Carroll University, University of Florida, Augustana College, University of Kentucky, Dartmouth College, Wheaton College, U. S. Military Academy, Bradley University, Purdue University, U. S. Naval Academy, Wake Forest College, and the University of Maryland.

Also American University, University of Vermont, Loyola University (Chicago), Northwestern University, Air Force Academy, University of Miami (Fla.), Wisconsin State Teachers College, Merchant Marine Academy, Marquette University, St. John's University (Minn.), University of Pittsburgh, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, St. John's University (Brooklyn), University of Pennsylvania, University of Southern California, Hiram College, Wayne State University, Michigan State University, Case Institute of Technology, Kansas State Teachers College, Brigham Young University and Notre Dame.

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For release in PM's, Monday, March 14th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 14 -- The Ford Foundation has awarded a grant of \$15,000 to continue for a sixth year its support of the University of Notre Dame's Soviet and East European Studies Program, it was announced today by Francis X. Bradley, assistant Graduate School dean for research.

Another Ford Foundation grant of \$3,400 will support for the fourth consecutive year the production of books in the humanities and social sciences by the University of Notre Dame Press, Bradley said.

Inaugurated in 1953, the Soviet and East European Studies Program is inter-departmental and includes courses and faculty members from the departments of political science, philosophy, history and modern languages. The students, most of them seeking advanced degrees, explore Soviet policy, its ideology, background and its method of expansion and operation, particularly in eastern Europe. The program has spurred the study of the Russian language at Notre Dame during the past five years. The number of students taking Russian has increased twenty times, from four in 1954-55 to eighty today. The program is administered by the department of political science and is under the direction of Prof. Stephen Kertesz.

The University of Notre Dame Press has produced six scholarly books with the assistance of previous Ford Foundation grants totalling \$10,200. Soon available will be Soviet Policy Toward the International Control of Atomic Energy by J. L. Noguee and American Catholics and the Labor Movement; A Search for Social Justice by Notre Dame's Aaron Abell.

Other works published include The Congress Finds the Navy, 1787-98 by Prof. Marshall Smelser of Notre Dame, Soviet Policy Toward the Balkans, 1918-40 by Albert N. Tarulis, Parochial School: A Sociological Study by Rev. Joseph Fichter, S.J., and France and the European Alliance, 1816-21 by Rev. Guillaume de Bertier de Sauvigny.

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 7 --- Sixteen University of Notre Dame students and two recent graduates have been awarded Woodrow Wilson National Fellowships for 1960-61. The program was established in 1945 to recruit promising students for the college teaching profession and to support them in their first year of graduate study.

The Notre Dame group is believed to be the eighth largest among 1,259 fellowship winners representing 355 colleges and universities in the United States and Canada. Notre Dame also ranks among the top ten schools in the total number of Woodrow Wilson Fellowship winners since the program was inaugurated fifteen years ago. Sixty-six fellowships have gone to Notre Dame men although the University first figured among the winning schools in 1952-53.

Announcement of this year's winners was made today at Princeton, N. J., by Sir High Stott Taylor, president of the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation and dean emeritus of the Princeton Graduate School. The awards carry a basic stipend of \$1,500 plus family allowances and full costs for a year's graduate study at any university of the recipient's choice in the U. S. or Canada. Taylor said a total of 8,800 applicants representing 861 institutions entered the annual competition which is financed by a 1957 Ford Foundation grant of \$24,500,000.

The Notre Dame winners include Bruce E. Babbitt, Flagstaff, Ariz.; Lawrence J. Bradley, Albany, N. Y.; Thomas F. Banchoff, Trenton, N. J.; David C. Christian, Lansing, Ill.; William J. Donnelly, Chicago, Ill.; Walter R. Farley, Akron, Ohio; Michael W. Farrell, West Orange, N. J.; Robert L. Hollis, Aurora, Ill.; Lawrence J. Martin, Toledo, Ohio; James L. Merz, Teaneck, N. J.; David J. O'Brien, Pittsfield, Mass.; John R. O'Brien, Cincinnati, Ohio; James D. Rose, Hamburg, N. Y.; Thomas J. Scanlon, Scranton, Pa.; Edward C. Thompson, Kirkwood, Mo.; William F. Thrall, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Frank Tonini, Staten Island, N. Y.; and James J. Yoch, Clayton, Mo.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, March 13th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 12 -- The political influence, economic growth and mentality of the Midwest will be explored in "Midwest: Myth or Reality," a symposium to be held at the University of Notre Dame April 8-9 (Fri.-Sat.).

Six authorities on various aspects of life in the Midwest will speak at the symposium in the Law Auditorium on the campus. The sessions will be sponsored by Notre Dame's Faculty Seminar in American Civilization and the department of history. Prof. Aaron I. Abell, chairman of the American Studies Program at Notre Dame, will preside at the opening session April 8th (Fri.) at 8 p.m.

Senator Gale William McGee of Wyoming, a Midwesterner by birth and a specialist in foreign affairs, will open the symposium with a paper entitled, "Is the Midwest Really Isolationist?" A former professor at Notre Dame as well as chairman of the department of history at the University of Wyoming, McGee is now a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He has witnessed the so-called isolationism of the Midwest both from home and from abroad.

Professor Russell Nye, of Michigan State University, East Lansing, also will address the opening symposium session. The author of Midwestern Progressive Politics, he will speak on the subject, "Has the Midwest Ceased to Protest?". Nye will discuss the claim of some eastern observers that the old spirit of protest which dominated Midwestern politics before World War I has ceased to exist.

The economic welfare and future of the Midwest will be the subject of the second symposium session April 9 (Sat.) at 9:30 a.m. Donald Murphy, a specialist in agricultural research, will estimate the plight of the farmer in a paper, "Is the Cause of the Midwestern Farmer Lost?" He directs WALLACE'S FARMER poll and the Wisconsin Agricultural Poll and is vice chairman of the Agricultural Research Committee of the National Planning Association.

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Also speaking at the morning session will be Prof. Jay Wiley of Purdue University. He will deal with the question, "Is Midwestern Industry Merely Tributary to the East?". The importance of Midwestern industry is well established, but some have questioned the benefits derived by the Midwest from its labors.

The actual image of the Midwest will be the subject of the final symposium session April 9 (Sat.) at 2 p.m. Most of the ideas of a Midwestern regionalism are based on the idea of a regional mind and a regional literature. Prof. John T. Flanagan, of the University of Illinois' English department, will address himself to the question, "Is There a Midwestern Literature?" He is the author of America is West, and he has edited several other volumes.

Sharing the afternoon platform will be Rev. Thomas T. McAvoy, C.S.C., professor and former head of the department of history at Notre Dame and director of the Faculty Seminar in American Civilization. Father McAvoy will attempt to answer the question, "What Is the Midwestern Mind?"

The achievements of the symposium will be summed up finally by Prof. John T. Frederick, head of Notre Dame's English department. Professor Frederick was editor of MIDWEST for many years, and he has edited and published books on the Midwest in literature.

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For release in PM's, Tuesday, March 22nd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 22 --Governor G. Mennen Williams of Michigan and Democratic national chairman Paul M. Butler will address a mock Democratic national convention at the University of Notre Dame April 3-6.

Lawrence Turner, general convention chairman, said Williams and Butler, a Notre Dame alumnus, will speak during the opening session scheduled to begin in the University Drill Hall April 3rd (Sunday) at 7 p.m. Other prominent Democrats will appear at later convention sessions or pre-convention rallies, he said.

Thousands of students from Notre Dame and nearby Saint Mary's College will participate in the colorful quadrennial event. Among them will be 1,521 delegates and 760 alternates, chosen from the two schools' national enrollments, who will cast their ballots for Democratic presidential and vice presidential candidates.

Sponsored since 1940 by the Academy of Political Science, a student organization, Notre Dame's mock political conventions have proved to be prophetic three out of four times. The students nominated Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1940, Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952 and Adlai E. Stevenson in 1956. Their presidential nominee in 1948 was the late Senator Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan whereas Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York received the actual GOP nomination. No mock convention was held in 1944 because of the war.

Turner said campus campaigns are already underway in behalf of Senators Kennedy of Massachusetts, Humphrey of Minnesota, Johnson of Texas, Symington of Missouri and Stevenson, former governor of Illinois, who was the Democratic presidential nominee in 1952 and 1956.

Dr. Paul Bartholomew, professor of political science and Academy moderator, is faculty advisor for the mock convention.

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

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 24 -- His Eminence Gregory Peter XV Agagianian, Pro-Prefect of the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith, will be awarded an honorary doctorate during a visit to the University of Notre Dame May 16-17, it was announced today by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., University president.

Father Hesburgh will confer an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on Cardinal Agagianian at a special convocation to be held in Sacred Heart Church on the campus. The Russian-born Prince of the Church, who speaks English and eleven other languages, is expected to address the convocation. The time of the ceremony will be announced later.

In his Vatican post Cardinal Agagianian helps direct the Congregation which has jurisdiction over more than thirty million Catholics in mission countries throughout the world. As Patriarch of Cilicia of the Armenians, the bearded prelate is also the spiritual leader of some 200,000 Armenian Rite Catholics.

Cardinal Agagianian, who visited the United States in 1951 and 1954, was born in Akhaltsikh, Transcaucasia, sixty-four years ago when it was part of the Russian czar's territories. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1917, consecrated a bishop in 1935 and was elevated to the Sacred College of Cardinals by the late Pope Pius XII on February 18, 1946.

Other members of the Sacred College who hold honorary degrees from Notre Dame include Cardinals Spellman of New York, Cushing of Boston, O'Hara of Philadelphia, and McIntyre of Los Angeles. Also Cardinals Valeri and Ottaviani of the Vatican, Lercaro of Bologna, Koenig of Austria, Gilroy of Australia and Gracias of India. Pope Pius XII was awarded an honorary doctorate when he visited Notre Dame as Cardinal Pacelli in 1936.

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For release in AM's, Wednesday, March 23rd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 22 -- Seven University of Notre Dame students have been awarded National Science Foundation fellowships for a year of graduate study.

Twenty-one others received honorable mention in the nationwide competition.

The fellowships won by Notre Dame students were among 1,200 awarded in the sciences, mathematics and engineering for the 1960-61 academic year. They provide stipends ranging from \$1,800 to \$2,200 plus tuition and allowances for travel and dependents. The winners were announced today in Washington by Dr. Alan T. Waterman, director of the National Science Foundation.

Notre Dame seniors who won \$1,800 NSF grants and the graduate schools they will attend are Claiborne H. Johnson, Jr., 6057 DeLoache St., Dallas, Tex., Princeton Univ.; Stephen A. Pursley, 5920 Haverford, Indianapolis, Ind., Notre Dame; Charles E. Riehm, Jr., 3306 Natchez Lane, Louisville, Ky., and John J. Uebbing, 6049 S. Troy, Chicago, Ill., Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Graduate students at Notre Dame who won \$2,000 NSF grants include Sister M. Antonia Handy, 900 Alta Vista, Dubuque, Ia., who is a candidate for a doctorate in biology; John P. Mantey, Box 185, Sharon Springs, Kans., who will continue his engineering studies at Stanford Univ.; and John Polking, Breda, Ia., who will continue graduate work in Notre Dame's mathematics department.

Notre Dame students receiving honorable mention in the NSF competition include George Calder, Sumter, S. C.; Sister Victor Dobyms, Seattle, Wash.; William Hergenrother, Springfield, Ill.; Sister Mary Jungbauer, Los Angeles, Calif.; Joel R. Livingston, Jr., (Vetville), Notre Dame, Ind.; James P. Melka, Jr., Cicero, Ill.; Bruce E. Babbitt, Flagstaff, Ariz.; Paul W. Beiter, Lancaster, Ohio; William E. Grunert, Lowville, N. Y.; and Thomas J. Kirons, Adrian, Mich.

Also Patrick E. Mantey, Sharon Springs, Kans.; Theodore H. McCourtney, Jr., Memphis, Tenn.; Anthony J. Russo, South Bend, Ind.; Thomas F. Banchoff, Trenton, N. J.; Michael E. Butler, Douglaston, N. Y.; Paul C. Chestnut, Chicago, Ill.; Sister Mary J. Markham, Hartford, Conn.; Michael J. Brierza, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; James L. Kolopus, Elyria, Ohio; Denis D. Manchon, Jr., New Orleans, La.; and Andrew S. Poltorak, Somerville, N. J.

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For release in AM's, Saturday, March 26th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 25 -- University of Notre Dame graduates are among the leading alumni groups in the nation in the financial support of their alma mater, according to a Survey of Annual Giving and Alumni Support for 1958-59 released recently by the American Alumni Council.

Among private universities, Notre Dame ranks with the top ten institutions in five of the nine categories included in the survey. The study was based on figures provided by 986 colleges and universities throughout the country.

While a number of private universities had a larger total of alumni fund donors, Notre Dame ranked fourth in "effectiveness of solicitation". Of the Notre Dame alumni solicited for support, 45.9% contributed to the fund. This percentage was exceeded only by Princeton, 72.2%; Brown, 46.7%; and Yale 46.2%.

The survey indicates Notre Dame was seventh among private universities in the dollar total of alumni gifts made through the alumni fund. The Notre Dame total of \$703,680 was surpassed by Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Cornell, Chicago and Stanford.

Creighton University recorded the greatest average alumni fund gift of \$84.03. Other private universities with high average gifts were Harvard, \$73.84; Chicago, \$66.73; Yale, \$64.86; Princeton, \$62.24; and Notre Dame, \$60.20.

Notre Dame ranked third among private universities in total gifts to the annual fund. Counting alumni and non-alumni giving, Harvard reported \$2,430,754, Yale had \$2,140,131, and Notre Dame recorded \$2,027,064.

Notre Dame also placed third among private universities in non-alumni parent contributions. Dartmouth was first with \$893,641, Stanford's \$319,092 was second, and the Notre Dame total was \$144,192.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, March 27th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 26 --- Dr. George N. Shuster, who recently retired after twenty years as president of Hunter College, New York City, will receive the University of Notre Dame's Laetare Medal for 1960, it was announced tonight by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., University president. The award has been conferred annually since 1883 on an outstanding American Catholic layman.

Shuster is a former managing editor of THE COMMONWEAL, the lay-edited Catholic weekly, and at one time was head of Notre Dame's English department. He is the author of many books in the fields of education, religion, English literature and modern German history. On several occasions Shuster served as an American delegate to international cultural conferences. He was State Commissioner for Bavaria in the U. S. Zone of Germany during 1950-51.

Father Hesburgh, in announcing the choice of the veteran educator for the Laetare Medal, said Shuster "exemplifies the intellectual leadership that Catholic laymen must assert more effectively in the arts, sciences and professions. His scholarly mind, his articulate and persuasive pen, and his manifest talents as an administrator and diplomat have all served to advance learning, culture and the commonweal at home and abroad," Father Hesburgh said. "It is with particular pleasure and pride that the University of Notre Dame awards to one of its distinguished alumni and former faculty members the Laetare Medal, highest honor within its power to bestow."

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Shuster, who will accept the Laetare Medal in a formal ceremony later, is the third representative of the world of education to be so honored since 1940. Carlton J. H. Hayes, the celebrated historian and former U. S. ambassador to Spain, was awarded the medal in 1946, and Helen Constance White, author and veteran professor of English at the University of Wisconsin, was the 1942 Laetare Medalist. Robert D. Murphy, former Deputy Under Secretary of State, received the award last year. Other recent recipients have been diplomat Clare Boothe Luce, General Alfred M. Gruenther, AFL-CIO president George Meany, and Frank M. Folsom, former RCA president.

Twenty-nine of Dr. Shuster's fellow college presidents attended a recent Hunter College special convocation marking his retirement. He was awarded a doctorate of humane letters, only the third honorary degree in the institution's ninety year history. Among the dignitaries present was His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman. Delivering the benediction at the convocation, the New York prelate paid tribute to Shuster as one who has earned "worldwide respect and admiration as a defender of equality for all and as a champion of cultural progress."

During Shuster's twenty year tenure as president, the enrollment of Hunter College grew from 11,000 to 17,000. Originally a college for women, the municipal institution accepted its first male students in 1951. At the January 26th convocation in his honor, Shuster declared:

"I do not maintain that as the years have gone by I have learned to understand women, but I have learned you should not try to educate a woman as if she were a man, nor to educate her as if she were not. It has taken us a fearfully long time to see that however great may be the intellectual sacrifice woman must bring by reason of her primordial function as the bearer of life, there is no reason at all why her share in the community of scholars and artists should be of a lower order than is that of man."

George Nauman Shuster was born in Lancaster, Wisconsin, August 27, 1894. He was graduated from Notre Dame in 1915 and served with the U. S. Army during World War I and the German occupation. Before returning to this country he studied at the University of Poitiers in France and the Hochschule fuer Politik in Berlin. He earned a master's degree in French literature at Notre Dame in 1920 and during the next four years served as head of the University's English department and associate editor of THE AVE MARIA, a weekly magazine published by The Holy Cross Fathers.

Shuster was one of the first contributors to THE COMMONWEAL, founded in 1924, and he served as its managing editor from 1929 to 1937. During the same period he taught at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute and St. Joseph's College for Women in Brooklyn. In 1937 the Carnegie Corporation awarded Shuster a two year fellowship to study the Weimar Republic. Returning to the United States before the outbreak of World War II, he earned his doctorate at Columbia University, and became academic dean and acting president of Hunter College in 1939. He was appointed president the following year.

In 1946 Shuster was an American delegate to the conference of the United Nations' Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in Paris. He served as chairman of the National Commission for UNESCO during 1953-54. He is a former president of the Catholic Association for International Peace and has served as a director of the Fund for the Republic and a trustee of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He has been awarded France's Legion of Honor and Columbia University's Butler Medal as well as several honorary degrees.

Among Dr. Shuster's books are Cultural Cooperation and the Peace, Religion Behind the Iron Curtain and In Silence I Speak: The Story of Cardinal Mindszenty Today and Hungary's New Order. His educational philosophy is expressed in Education and Moral Wisdom, a new testimonial volume marking his retirement.

Shuster is married to the former Doris Parks Cunningham of Los Angeles. They have one son, Robert.



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For release in PM's, Monday, March 28th:

Washington, D. C., Mar. 28 --- College students are learning a lot but not thinking enough, a University of Notre Dame educator told the White House Conference on Children and Youth today (Monday).

Rev. John E. Walsh, C.S.C., speaking at a forum on "The Young as Learners and Thinkers," said students are more likely "to absorb ideas rather than master them." Higher education, he said, is not the "taking" of courses. Such learning, the Holy Cross priest claimed, "can be, in fact, quite harmful in that it clutters up the mind and prevents clarity of insight. To know, without the ability to use knowledge in analysis and criticism, in imaginative and resourceful thinking, can be ruinous," he contended.

Father Walsh, who heads Notre Dame's department of education, urged that college education be drastically reorganized "to put more of the responsibility for education where it rightfully belongs, with the student." A Notre Dame graduate with a doctorate from Yale, the priest-educator lamented that college students "tend to be conformists at the very time in their lives when they should be most inquisitive and most daring in their thinking." Father Walsh pointed out that college students are "normally free of the family, business, professional and social pressures that will later tend to make them conservative. Most students, however, are quite content to take even the most important and fundamental ideas for granted," he said.

The campus is the place where commonly accepted ideas can be explored and subjected to criticism "without fear of social, political or economic reprisals," Father Walsh declared. College students, he said, have the leisure, which they will never have again, "to theorize, to experiment, to speculate and to contemplate."

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"There is a recognized danger in permitting students who do not have the full responsibility for all of the implications and consequences of their thinking to move freely in the world of ideas," Father Walsh conceded. "But this is a calculated risk," he said, "and it is essential to the notion of higher education."

Education is not simply a two-day process between teacher and student, although most students seem to think that this is the case, Father Walsh observed. It is "probably correct," he said, that students learn more from their fellow students than they learn in the formal classroom." It is through this "mutual education," often on an informal and animated basis, he said, "that ideas become purified through challenge. Mutual or reciprocal education," he maintained, "has an excitement, an immediacy, and an electric quality that more formal instruction frequently fails to achieve."

The atmosphere of a college or university must be one of freedom of investigation and communication, the Notre Dame educator declared. But, at the same time, he insisted, the university student "must be helped to find a set of values to which he can boldly commit himself even while he examines the validity of those values. The temptation of the intellectual," he said, "is to be so open-minded that he becomes wishy-washy, unduly cautious, safe, indecisive and detached."

Father Walsh warned that "a nation without a strong sense of values and without a set of values is a weak nation. It is precisely the intellectuals, the college and university trained men and women, who should show the way or take the leadership in defining those values and adhering to them. A democracy is weak," the priest said, "if it does not evoke both strong intellectual commitments and strong emotional commitments. In our culture, college and university students must learn the meaning and the process of democracy, at the same time that they think of ways of improving it," he said.

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For release in AM's, Wednesday, March 30th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 29 -- Bruce E. Babbitt, president of the University of Notre Dame student body, is one of twenty-four American students who have been awarded Marshall Scholarships by the British government.

The Marshall Scholarships provide travel, tuition and other expenses for two years of graduate study at any university in the United Kingdom. Babbitt, a senior geology major from Flagstaff, Arizona, will study geophysics at King's College, University of Durham.

The British government established the Marshall Scholarships as an expression of the United Kingdom's gratitude for Marshall Plan aid during the post World War II period. The principal criterion in selecting winners in the annual Marshall Scholarships competition is "distinction of intellect and character as evidenced both by their scholastic attainments and by their other activities and achievements."

In addition to being elected head of Notre Dame's 6,300 students, Babbitt is active in the affairs of the National Students Association. Currently he is engaged in an undergraduate research project under the auspices of the National Science Foundation. He is a member of The Bookmen, a campus literary society.

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For release in PM's, Thursday, March 31st:

Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 31 -- A University of Notre Dame faculty member, a recent graduate and two graduate students have been awarded grants to continue their advanced studies.

Dr. Jerome Taylor, associate professor of English, has received a grant for post-doctoral research at the University of Chicago from the Danforth Foundation of Saint Louis, Mo. He will study the relationship of religion and belief to modern literature and literary criticism.

Michael Skop, Lakewood, Ohio, who received a Master of Fine Arts degree from Notre Dame last June, has been awarded a Fulbright grant to study at the Academy of Fine Arts, Florence, Italy, during 1960-61. Currently he is studying sculpture in Denmark on an American-Scandinavian Foundation Fellowship.

Fulbright awards also have been made to Joseph A. Martellaro, South Bend, Ind., and Paul Body, Omaha, Neb. Martellaro, who is a teaching fellow in economics at Notre Dame, will study at the University of Naples, Italy. Body, a graduate history student, will take advanced work at the University of Vienna, Austria.

Earlier, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowships were awarded to sixteen Notre Dame seniors and two recent graduates. Four seniors and three graduate students won National Science Foundation Fellowships, and a Notre Dame student was one of twenty-four young Americans awarded Marshall Scholarships by the British government.

Professor Taylor is co-editor of Chaucer Criticism: The Canterbury Tales, an anthology of critical essays to be published by the University of Notre Dame Press in May. He has also translated a mediaeval treatise on the liberal arts soon to be published by Columbia University. Prof. and Mrs. Taylor and their eight children live at 2207 Portage Avenue, South Bend, Ind.

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60/21	3/7/60	Mock Democratic convention - April 3-6.
60/22	3/10/60	Knights of Columbus
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60/25	3/14/60	Ford Foundation Grant
60/26	3/7/60	Woodrow Wilson National Fellowships for 1960-61.
60/27	3/12/60	Symposium "Midwest: Myth or Reality" - April 8-9.
60/28	3/22/60	Mock Democratic Nat'l. Convention - April 3-6
60/29	3/24/60	Gregory Peter XV Agagianian's visit to N.D. - May 16-17.
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