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For immediate release:

Indianapolis, Ind., May -- The Rev. Anthony Lauck, C.S.C., has been awarded the Leonard Cantor Memorial Prize for Sculpture in the 47th annual Indiana Artists Exhibition at the John Herron Art Institute here. Father Lauck, who is a native of Indianapolis, is a member of the fine arts faculty at the University of Notre Dame. His prize-winning terra cotta sculpture, "The Visitation," portrays the visit of the Virgin Mary to Saint Elizabeth.

Father Lauck's sculptures have been included in several national exhibitions in recent months. Last year he received the Widener Gold Medal, awarded annually by the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts for the most meritorious work of sculpture by an American. He was the first priest to be elected to membership in the Audubon Artists, a society of leading contemporary painters and sculptors.

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For release in AM's, Wednesday, May 12th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 11 ---- Industrial relations is a "key battlefield in the cold war" against Communism, the Rev. Benjamin Masse, S. J., associate editor of AMERICA, declared here tonight.

"It is up to American labor and management to prove that the Communists are wrong in claiming that an unrelenting hatred and struggle must always exist between workers and their employers," Father Masse said.

The noted Jesuit writer and authority on American industrial relations lectured under the auspices of Notre Dame's economics department.

"The only way to look at labor-management relations today is against the background of the cold war," Father Masse asserted. Describing the ideological conflict as "the supreme, overriding political reality of our times," he warned that America must convince the uncommitted world that our economic system and social order are preferable to the Communist way of life.

Conceding that to a large extent American employers and unions have already proved Communist economic dogma false, Father Masse urged both groups to do it "even more convincingly" in the future.

"There are areas in U. S. Industry," he said, "where labor-management relations furnish all sorts of ammunition for Moscow's propaganda corps. There is from past decades a residue of language and attitudes which offers some semblance of truth to the charge that class warfare is normal in labor management relations." Father Masse noted "a distressing inability on the part of labor and management leaders to agree on the kind of law that ought to govern their relations."

"Anyone who has had anything to do with labor-management relations in this country knows that there is on both sides high intelligence and a vast reservoir of good will," Father Masse said. "The time has come to forget the past and put that intelligence and good will to work. What is at stake today is not just improved industrial relations, but the outcome of a key battle in the cold war."

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For release in AM's, Friday, May 14th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 13 --- Most people who rely on "scientific tests" in choosing their brand of cigarette or tooth paste "wouldn't know a test tube from a retort or a bunsen burner from a flame thrower," according to Dr. John J. Kane, head of the sociology department at the University of Notre Dame.

Kane chides advertisers and consumers alike in an article, "What Cigarette Don't You Smoke, Doctor?", in the current issue of THE AVE MARIA.

Recent research indicating a probable connection between cigarette smoking and lung cancer has "upset the applecart," Kane writes. "Of course, it hasn't been proved, but then neither were some of the extravagant claims made by cigarette advertising."

"What is hailed as a scientific discovery today may become a myth by scientific discovery tomorrow," Kane says. "One need not for this reason reject science, but he should take it with a pinch of sodium chloride...Those who go off the deep end on scientific statements in the press have to change their party line more often than the Communists," Kane claims.

Kane contends that contemporary advertising has cultivated a "naive belief in science" in the American people. "When scientists fail to agree, or later findings upset well-established 'truths' of science, some Americans are overwhelmed," Kane says. "Their only guidepost has unaccountably disappeared."

The Notre Dame sociologist dismisses the suggestion that people don't really believe what they hear or read in advertisements. "If they don't, thousands of otherwise shrewd businessmen are being deceived," he says.

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For release in PM's, Monday, May 10th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 10 -- The John J. Cavanaugh scholarships in the Notre Dame College of Law have been awarded to Robert P. Gorman, Tiskilwa, Illinois, and John C. Strickroot, Palm Beach, Florida, it was announced today by Dean Joseph O'Meara, Jr.. Both scholarship winners will be graduated "magna cum laude" from the University in June.

The scholarships, which provide tuition in the Notre Dame law school for three years, were established by the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University, in honor of his predecessor in that post, the Rev. John J. Cavanaugh, C.S.C.. Father Cavanaugh was Notre Dame president from 1946 to 1952.

Gorman is an English major in the University's College of Arts and Letters. He has served as business manager of the Juggler, campus literary quarterly; vice-president of The Bookmen, an honorary discussion club; and a staff member of The Scholastic, campus weekly publication. He also received a numeral in track and cross-country as a freshman. Gorman has earned more than two-thirds of his college expenses by working during the school-year and the Summer months.

Strickroot has majored in business administration in Notre Dame's College of Commerce. He is president of the Manpower Management Club on the campus; a member of the Commerce Activities Council; secretary of the Notre Dame Barbell Club; and a member of the University's Weightlifting team. Strickroot also has held several jobs to help finance his college education.

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For release in AM's, Monday, May 10th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May -- Three Notre Dame seniors have been awarded Fulbright scholarships for graduate study in France during 1954-55, according to an announcement by the Rev. Paul Beichner, C.S.C., Dean of the Graduate School and Fulbright Program Adviser. They are David B. Burrell, Akron, Ohio; Edward F. Doyle, Jr., Rochester, N. Y.; and James J. Cannon, Jr., Glen Rock, New Jersey.

Burrell and Doyle will go to the University of Lyon where they will study philosophy and international relations respectively. Cannon will study theology at the University of Lille.

During his four years at Notre Dame, Burrell has been active in several campus organizations. He is president of the Wranglers, a forensic society, and a member of the Bookmen. He is a member of the board of editors of the Juggler, literary quarterly, and has contributed a number of essays to the publication.

Doyle, who will receive a Marine Corps commission upon graduation, has served as president of the Rochester Club of Notre Dame and as vice-president of the French Club on the campus.

Cannon has been a member of the Wranglers and the Bookmen and is active in the work of the Catholic Inter-Racial Council.

Fulbright scholarships are made available to American students under the United States Educational Exchange Program. The program also provides opportunities for foreign nationals to study in American colleges and universities, and for an exchange of teachers, lecturers, research scholars and specialists between the United States and more than seventy foreign countries.

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For release in AM's, Wednesday, May 12th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 11 -- The promotion of thirty-one Notre Dame faculty members was announced tonight (Tuesday) by the Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice-president in charge of academic affairs at the University. The promoted professors were the guests of honor at the annual dinner of the Notre Dame Faculty Club in the University Dining Hall.

The Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, addressed the gathering which included other members of the University administration and several hundred faculty members and their wives.

Elevated to the rank of full professor are Aaron Abell, history; Harold Ellithorn, electrical engineering; E. K. Francis, sociology; Raymond Gutschick, geology; and Vincent Smith, philosophy.

Newly named associate professors include Rev. Cletus Bachofer, C.S.C., biology; Walter Becker, finance; Rene DeVogelaere, mathematics; Rev. Carl Hager, C.S.C., music; Rev. Edward Keller, C.S.C., economics; Rev. Roland Simonitsch, C.S.C., religion; Rev. Chester Soleta, C.S.C., English; Robert Sullivan, law; R. Catesby Taliaferro, general program; Morris Wagner, LOBUND Institute; and George Wallace, finance.

Fifteen former instructors have been promoted to assistant professor. They are Robert Allman and Rev. J. C. Blommestein, O.S.C., economics; William Bonwich, marketing; Thomas Brown, history; Rev. Thomas Cady, C.S.C., classics; Rev. Daniel Curtin, C.S.C., Rev. Victor Dean, C.S.C., and Rev. Richard Grimm, C.S.C., religion; Rev. Ralph Davis, C.S.C., chemistry; Michael Delich, mechanical engineering; Rev. Charles Harris, C.S.C., physics; Robert Leader, art; John Lennon, modern languages; Rev. William McAuliffe, C.S.C., music; and Wienczyslaw J. Wagner, law.



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For immediate release:

Hong Kong, May -- What's The Truth About Catholics, a book for the instruction of converts by the Rev. John A. O'Brien of the University of Notre Dame, has been published here in Chinese by the Catholic Truth Society of Hong Kong.

According to the Rev. Charles Vath, director of the Society, Father O'Brien's book has proved to be "an admirable weapon with which to combat Communism and to re-kindle the Catholic faith in thousands of people who have been oppressed by the Red tyranny."

Widely used throughout the English-speaking world during the past four years, What's The Truth About Catholics presents in conversational form the fundamental teachings of the Catholic religion. It is published in this country by Our Sunday Visitor Press, Huntington, Indiana.

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For release in PM's, Thursday, May 13th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 13 -- Notre Dame's College of Engineering will hold its annual Open House on the campus Friday and Saturday (May 14-15). The series of exhibits, demonstrations and special events will get under way with an official welcome by Dean Karl E. Schoenherr in the Engineering Auditorium, Friday at 1:30 p.m.

Each department of the college will present exhibits or demonstrations of student work (3-6 p.m., Friday; 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturday). Electrical engineering students, for example, will conduct demonstrations in high fidelity musical reproduction. A pre-stressed concrete diving board will be demonstrated by students in the civil engineering department. Metallurgy students will cast paperweights and give them to guests as souvenirs.

A special Open House attraction will be the presentation of the General Electric "House of Magic Show" in the Engineering Auditorium at 1:40 p.m., Friday. This popular science stage show has been witnessed by twenty million people since it was inaugurated by G-E nearly thirty years ago. This year's production includes demonstrations of jet and rocket power, stroboscopic light and an amazing mechanical hand developed for atomic research.

An exhibit of several types of airplanes will be sponsored by the aeronautical engineering department in conjunction with the Civil Air Patrol beginning Saturday at 9 a.m. The planes will be parked in the field adjacent to the aeronautical engineering

A colorful climax to the Open House events will be the annual chariot race between students of the several engineering departments. Four students will draw each chariot and one will drive. Prizes will be offered for the best-designed chariot as well as for the first across the finish line. The chariot race will be staged at half-time during the traditional Old Timers football game at the Stadium Saturday afternoon.

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., May -- A theological symposium on the dogma of the Immaculate Conception will be held at the University of Notre Dame from June 30 to July 2, the University's Marian Year Committee has announced. Prominent theologians from this country and abroad will participate in the symposium which is one of a series of campus events and activities in observance of the Marian Year.

The Rev. Carlo Balic, O. F. M., president of the International Marian Academy at Rome will speak at the symposium on "The Theology of the Immaculate Conception from the Ninth to the Thirteenth Centuries." Father Balic will also give a series of lectures on Mariology at Notre Dame during the period immediately before and after the symposium.

Other symposium speakers and their subjects include Rev. Urban Mullaney, O. P., Washington, D. C., "The Meaning of the Immaculate Conception"; Rev. Wenceslaus Sebastian, O. F. M., Edmonton, Canada, "The Theologians from Duns Scotus to 1800"; Dr. Charles DeKoninck, Quebec, Canada, "The Immaculate Conception, the Compassion and the Assumption"; Rev. Joseph Montalverne, O. F. M., Lisbon, Portugal, "The Theology of the Immaculate Conception in the Past One Hundred Years."

Another major Marian Year observance will take place at Notre Dame on July 15th when Samuel Cardinal Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, will officiate at the opening of the annual Vocation Institute. More than two thousand priests, religious and laymen are expected to participate in a candlelight procession to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on that occasion.

According to Notre Dame's Marian Year Committee, the several campus observances will conclude on December 8th with the solemn dedication of the University to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., May -- "Every year from now on should be Mary's Year!"

This is the plea of Don Sharkey, noted Catholic writer and Marian authority, in the May issue of THE CATHOLIC BOY published by the Holy Cross Fathers at Notre Dame. Sharkey's feature article, "This Is Mary's Year," and the four-color reproduction of Rosenthal's "Seine Madonna" are the youth publication's special Marian Year tribute to the Blessed Virgin.

"The Blessed Virgin and the devil are eternal enemies," Sharkey writes. "We have to choose sides in this battle. We can't be neutral, and we can't be lukewarm. We must be completely on one side or completely on the other."

In the same issue Father Frank Gartland, C.S.C., editor of THE CATHOLIC BOY, reminds his young readers that "in Our Lady's kingdom every boy's a prince."

"A boy who loves Our Lady from his heart is always rich spiritually," Father Gartland writes. "No matter how severely he's tempted, no matter how 'down' or alone he feels, no matter how badly or often he fails one way or another, if he goes to Mary she will get him the grace, the strength and the courage he needs. She's as much at his service now as she was at Our Lord's when He was a boy."

Other features of the May issue include "A Tip From Frank Leahy"; an outdoors column by Jack Connor on training your dog; "Be A Sports Investigator," by Art Crockett; and a picture-story of a CYO camp in Minnesota by Rev. John O'Toole.

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For release in PM's, Thursday, May 20th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 20 --- Supreme Court decisions which have been most influential in the development of the Constitution are summarized in a new book by Paul C. Bartholomew, professor of political science at the University of Notre Dame. Nearly four hundred cases are included in the volume, Leading Cases on the Constitution, published by Littlefield, Adams of Paterson, New Jersey.

Professor Bartholomew's book is believed to be unique in that it makes readily available for the first time in one volume the basic points of these cases and the gist of the Supreme Court decisions on them. It will be most useful to persons who wish to learn or recall the fundamental issues of a particular case. For the person who wishes to go beyond that, a listing of leading correlative cases has been appended to each case covered.

According to the author, the cases have been selected with particular reference to the fields of political science, law, history, economics and sociology. They are arranged alphabetically and two indexes are provided. One lists the cases alphabetically by plaintiff, by defendant and by popular name; the other catalogs the cases by subject matter.

Leading Cases on the Constitution is Professor Bartholomew's fifth book, four of which have dealt with his specialty, American government and constitutional law. Professor Bartholomew originated Notre Dame's quadrennial mock political convention. Each year he escorts a group of students on a tour of Washington, D.C., during the Easter vacation period. He also conducts a weekly television program, "Know Your America," on WSBT-TV, South Bend, Indiana.

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For release in PM's, Wednesday, May 19th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 19 --- A \$7,500 grant for fundamental research in Notre Dame's chemistry department has been established by the Shell Companies Foundation, Inc., the University announced today.

Two-thirds of the fund will be used within the chemistry department during the 1954-55 academic year to engage faculty members or graduate students, to purchase materials or scientific equipment used in research or for capital expenditures. The balance may be used at the University's discretion for whatever purposes are most urgent and worthy of support in keeping with the general intent of the grant.

In acknowledging the grant, the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, said: "We value highly this significant endorsement of our efforts to foster scientific research and to train competent young scientists. Notre Dame takes great pride in establishing this new relationship with the Shell organization."

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For release in PM's, Friday, May 21st:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 21 -- President James R. Killian, Jr., of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will give the commencement address and Bishop Allen J. Babcock of Grand Rapids, Mich., will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at Notre Dame's 109th annual commencement exercises on June 6th, the University announced today.

The Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, will confer honorary degrees on the two speakers as well as on Harold S. Vance, president of the Studebaker Corporation, South Bend, Ind.; Dr. Samuel Eliot Morison, naval historian and professor of history at Harvard University; Thomas W. Pangborn, president of the Pangborn Corporation, Hagerstown, Md.; and Ernest E. L. Hammer, Justice of the Supreme Court of New York.

More than 1,000 Notre Dame students will receive graduate and undergraduate degrees at the commencement exercises which will be held in the stadium (2:00 p.m.). Bishop Babcock's sermon will be heard during an outdoor Solemn Pontifical Mass to be offered Sunday morning (9:00 a.m.) by Auxiliary Bishop Leo A. Pursley of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The commencement weekend events will get under way Saturday morning (June 5) with the traditional Last Visit of the senior class to Sacred Heart Church on the campus. This private ceremony will be followed by the annual Class Day exercises in the University Drill Hall (10:00 a.m.). Medals and prizes will be awarded at these exercises and senior members of the Army, Navy and Air Force ROTC units will receive their commissions. Student speakers on this occasion will be William Guilfoile, Fond du Lac, Wis., president of the senior class; Joseph Imbriaco, Elizabeth, N.J., valedictorian; and Thomas Field, Wilmington, Del., class orator and retiring president of the Student Senate.

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54/109

For release in AM's, Wednesday, May 19th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 18 -- The economics of the Soviet satellite nations are "on the verge of collapse" as a result of collectivization and the heavy investment programs imposed by Moscow, John Scott, associate editor of TIME International, declared here tonight.

"Even if western-imposed restrictions on East-West trade were to be completely raised, there could be no revival of what constituted 'normal' East-West trade," Scott said. He blamed the failure of Eastern European nations to produce those agricultural surpluses which formerly constituted the foundation of East-West trade rather than western restrictive policies for the current impasse.

"Europe is unlikely again to see East-West trade along the old pattern" even if there should be a relaxation of tensions or co-existence, Scott predicted. The former foreign correspondent said that if the industrialization plans of the satellite states eventually succeed, they will become producers of the manufactured commodities which they used to import from the West. Consequently, he said, the future prosperity of Western Europe "depends essentially on the development of its internal markets."

Scott was the dinner speaker at Notre Dame's seventh annual World Trade Conference. More than 150 Midwest businessmen engaged in exporting activities attended the sessions whose theme was "Sales and Sales Promotion Abroad."

In an earlier talk, John D. J. Moore, vice president of W.R. Grace and Co., emphasized that "maximum salesmanship efforts" are required if United States traders are to hold or improve their share of the Latin American market. West Germany, the United Kingdom, Japan and other nations are providing "increasingly stronger competition" in the area, he said. Moore stressed the importance of good relations with Latin America, pointing out that "we are dependent on Latin American sources for many strategic materials."



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For release in AM's, Friday, May 21st:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 20 -- Workshops in the teaching of world history and American history will be conducted at the University of Notre Dame during the Summer Session, according to an announcement today by the Rev. Thomas T. McAvoy, C.S.C., head of the history department.

"The workshops will consider the conflicting objectives of teaching the historical subject matter as an intellectual discipline and the merging of history into a social studies program primarily designed for civic training," Father McAvoy said. "Current attempts to subordinate history to the teaching of citizenship or world-mindedness often result in an ignorant or confused student and a frustrated teacher. We believe that our workshops will deal effectively with this serious educational problem."

The Workshop in the Teaching of World History, to be directed by Dr. Matthew Fitzsimons, will meet from June 18 to July 12. It will examine the high school program in world history from the end of the Middle Ages to the present. The members working in committees will decide on the objectives, content and organization of the world history course.

The Workshop in the Teaching of American History, to be directed by Mr. Ralph Weber, will be held from July 9 to August 2. It will consider the various problems in teaching the full year course in American history. The Workshop will examine and evaluate recent American history texts.

Additional information about the two workshops may be obtained from the Rev. Thomas T. McAvoy, C.S.C., Department of History, Notre Dame, Indiana.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, May 23rd:

Chicago, Ill., May 22 -- A Notre Dame scientist tonight appealed for greater support of pure research in the nation's colleges and universities "to insure scientific progress in the future."

Professor James A. Reyniers, founder and director of the University's world-famed LOBUND Institute, declared that "undue emphasis" on project or applied research has tended "to distract the attention of scientists and deter them from long-range exploratory research programs of ultimately greater value."

Reyniers spoke at a dinner in the Edgewater Beach Hotel where he received the Pasteur Award of the Society of Illinois Bacteriologists. The award was made to Reyniers, the organization said, "for giving to science a new and powerful tool, the germfree animal technique." Reyniers and his associates at Notre Dame have pioneered in germ-free research for more than twenty years.

Reyniers reported to fellow-scientists on the work of the LOBUND Institute which he described as "an adventure in pure science in this day of project research when pure science is struggling to maintain the freedom necessary to its existence." The University of Notre Dame, he said, "has always provided the climate and encouragement without which germ-free animal techniques could not have reached their present usefulness for medical and biological research."

More than 150 scientists the world over have requested the use of facilities at the LOBUND Institute to observe and apply the techniques developed by Notre Dame scientists, Reyniers reported. "We hope that the Institute will continue to grow in the future as it has in the past," he said. "We hope, too, that other centers will be established to carry forward the work in this new, exciting and challenging field."

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., June -- Two bishops and six distinguished theologians will participate in the second Institute of Spirituality at the University of Notre Dame, August 4-10th. More than 900 Sister Superiors and Novice Mistresses are expected to attend the sessions which evolved from the historic national Congress of Religious held on the campus two years ago.

The Most Rev. Raymond P. Hillinger, Bishop of Rockford, will address the formal opening of the Institute in the University Drill Hall on August 4th, (7:30 p.m.). An address by the Most Rev. Leo A. Pursley, Auxiliary Bishop of Fort Wayne, and Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on the campus will mark the solemn closing of the Institute on August 10th, (3:00 p.m.).

Members of the Institute staff and their lecture subjects include Rev. Paul Philippe, O.P., professor at the Angelicum University in Rome, "The Role of the Holy Spirit in Counseling"; Rev. Gerald Kelly, S.J., professor of moral theology, St. Mary's College, Kansas, "Psychological Problems in the Religious Life"; Rev. Charles Corcoran, C.S.C., professor of dogmatic and spiritual theology, Holy Cross College, Washington, D.C., "The Vow of Obedience."

Also Rev. A. Fle, O.P., editor of LA VIE SPIRITUELLE, Paris, France, "The Adaptation of the Religious Life to Actual Conditions"; Rev. Albert J. Riesner, C.Ss.R., professor of canon law, Mt. St. Alphonsus Seminary, Esopus, N. Y., "Canon Law for Religious -- The Vow of Poverty"; and Rev. Gabriel Diefenbach, O.F.M. Cap., Detroit, Mich., retreat master and spiritual director of Sisters, "The Life of Prayer".

- The Institute of Spirituality is sponsored by Notre Dame's religion department. Additional information may be obtained by writing the Rev. A. Leonard Collins, C.S.C., Director, Institute of Spirituality, Religion Department, Notre Dame, Indiana.

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Notre Dame, Ind., June 4 -- Ten young men will be ordained as priests of the Congregation of Holy Cross at the University of Notre Dame on Wednesday, (June 9), it was announced here today by the Very Rev. Theodore J. Mehling, C.S.C., Provincial of the Holy Cross Fathers' Indiana province. The Most Rev. Leo A. Pursley, Auxiliary Bishop of Fort Wayne, will officiate at the ceremony in Sacred Heart Church on the campus.

The newly ordained priests will celebrate their first Solemn Masses in their home parishes on Sunday, June 13th. Shortly thereafter, they will be assigned to one of the activities of the Holy Cross Fathers who operate the University of Notre Dame and other schools in this country and abroad. They also engage in parish work, conduct retreats and missions, work in home and foreign missions and publish several periodicals.

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

New York, N. Y., June 3 -- Joseph E. Imbriaco, valedictorian of Notre Dame's senior class, has been awarded the \$1,000 prize offered by COMMONWEAL magazine in a nation-wide essay contest on "The Catholic in a Democratic Society," editors of the publication announced here today. Imbriaco, whose home is in Elizabeth, New Jersey (223 South Street), will receive the award Saturday (June 5) at the class day exercises of Notre Dame's 109th annual commencement.

The essay contest, which marked COMMONWEAL'S thirtieth anniversary, was open to all undergraduate students at Catholic colleges and universities in the United States and to Catholic undergraduates at secular educational institutions in this country. Judges for the competition were the Most Rev. John J. Wright, Bishop of Worcester, Mass.; Professor Helen C. White of the University of Wisconsin, Madison; and Representative Eugene J. McCarthy of Minnesota.

Imbriaco's prize-winning essay will be published in a future issue of COMMONWEAL. A graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School in Elizabeth, New Jersey, Imbriaco will be graduated with the highest academic average in Notre Dame's class of 1954. While at Notre Dame he has majored in political science and served as associate editor of THE JUGGLER, literary quarterly. He also was a member of two honorary discussion groups, The Wranglers and The Bookmen. Imbriaco has received a scholarship to attend the Harvard Law School in the Fall.

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For release Friday, June 4th:

Worthington, Ohio, June 3 -- Every Catholic graduate is called upon by God and the Church to be a zealous apostle, extending the kingdom of Christ among the souls of men, the Rev. John A. O'Brien of the University of Notre Dame declared here tonight. Father O'Brien addressed graduates and faculty members at the commencement exercises of the Pontifical College Josephinum.

"The number of churchless people in America," said Father O'Brien, "is so vast that they cannot possibly be reached by the limited number of Catholic priests. Hence if they are to be reached at all with the saving truths of Christ, it will be only through the zealous apostolate of our laity, especially our Catholic college men and women."

Father O'Brien noted that the Witnesses of Jehovah, "with probably the lowest percentage of college graduates in their ranks," have achieved the largest proportionate gains in recent years. Such gains, he said, can be attributed "to their unflagging zeal and tireless industry and to their willingness to go from house to house to win adherents."

Our Catholic college graduates, Father O'Brien declared, must meet "the challenge of aggressive error" by manifesting still greater zeal, industry and learning. Upon them, he said, falls the burden of leadership in spreading the growth of Catholicism in the United States.

"The winning of souls for Christ," Father O'Brien said, "is an expression of our love for America. It is the best means of combatting Communism and it is the form of Catholic Action most pleasing to the heart of Christ," he said.



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54/111	5/21/54	"Man of the Future" Television Tribute to Graduates of '54 over Dumont Network
54/112	5/21/54	Conference on Parish Apostolate at Notre Dame Aug. 8-12 - Rev. Louis J. Putz
54/113	5/21/54	Prof. James A. Reyniers, Receives Pasteur Award by Ill. Bacteriologists
54/114	5/28/54	2 Bishops & 6 Theologians to Participate in 2nd Institute of Spirituality
54/115	5/28/54	10 Young Men Ordained as Priests on Wed. June 9th
54/116	5/28/54	Joseph E. Imbriaco, Valedictorian Awarded COMMONWEAL 1000 dollar Prize
54/117	5/28/54	Catholic Graduates Called to be Zealous Apostles, Fr. John A. O'Brien