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

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 10 --- Carlton J. H. Hayes, the noted historian and diplomat, today (Monday) begins a series of six lectures at the University of Notre Dame on the role of the historian and the importance of history in modern culture.

Hayes is a professor emeritus at Columbia University where he taught for forty-three years and the author of several historical works. From 1942 to 1945 he served as United States ambassador to Spain. An honorary alumnus of Notre Dame, he received the University's Laetare Medal in 1946.

The subjects and dates of the Hayes' lectures are "The Making of a Historian," Oct. 10; "The Profession of Historian," Oct. 12; "Some Uses and Abuses of History," Oct. 14; "History and Humanities," Oct. 17; "History, Science and Religion," Oct. 19; and "Is Clio a Lost Lady?", Oct. 21. All the lectures, which are sponsored by Notre Dame's history department, are scheduled to be given in O'Shaughnessy Hall (Room 104) at 2:30 p.m.

A native of Afton, N.Y., Professor Hayes holds three degrees including a doctorate from Columbia University. When he received the Laetare Medal, Hayes was cited "for his preeminence in the field of history as teacher and author" and for "his brilliant discharge of a wartime diplomatic mission that called for extraordinary tact and forthrightness." Among his better known works are A Generation of Materialism, United States and Spain, Essays on Nationalism, and Contemporary Europe Since 1870.

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For Release in PM's, Wednesday, October 12th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 12 --- Supreme Court Justice Tom C. Clark will be one of three federal judges presiding at the 6th annual Moot Court Competition of the Notre Dame Law School October 25th, according to an announcement today by Dean Joseph O'Meara.

Also hearing the final arguments of a hypothetical case will be Judge Potter Stewart of the U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit, Cincinnati, and Judge W. Lynn Parkinson of the U.S. District Court for Northern Indiana, South Bend.

The four Notre Dame Law students who are finalists in the campus competition are Ronald P. Mealey, Ridgewood, New Jersey; Edward J. Griffin, Knoxville Tennessee; William P. Fagan, Newark, New Jersey; and Edward E. Broderick, Morristown, New Jersey.

The two students rating first and second in the competition will receive the Manion Award, established in 1950 by Clarence E. Manion, former dean of the law school. They will also represent the Notre Dame Law School in the regional round of the National Moot Court Competition to be held in Chicago November 17-19.

The Moot Court finals at Notre Dame will be held in the Engineering Auditorium at 7:45 p.m. The public is invited.

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

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 11 --- Eleven priests and Brothers tonight (Tuesday) pronounced their foreign mission vows prior to leaving for Pakistan where they will serve in parishes, schools and other institutions operated by the Congregation of Holy Cross.

The Most Rev. Lawrence L. Graner, C.S.C., Archbishop of Dacca, in whose archdiocese the missionaries will serve, preached at the departure ceremony in Sacred Heart Church on the campus. Rev. Theodore J. Mehling, C.S.C., provincial of the Holy Cross Fathers, received the missionaries' vows in behalf of the Very Rev. Christopher J. O'Toole, C.S.C., superior general of the Congregation.

Those volunteering for foreign mission service include Rev. William Evans, C.S.C., South Bend, Ind.; Rev. William Hickens, Detroit, Mich.; Rev. Charles Houser, C.S.C., Youngstown, Ohio; Rev. Eugene Homrich, Muskegon, Mich.; Rev. Oral Secor, C.S.C., Houston, Tex.; and Rev. Michael D'Rozario, C.S.C., Dacca, East Bengal, Pakistan. Father D'Rozario, recently professed in the Congregation of Holy Cross, is returning to his homeland after seven years' study in the United States.

Holy Cross Brothers leaving for the Pakistan missions include Bro. Hobart Pieper, C.S.C., Springfield, New Jersey; Brother Martinian Wilson, C.S.C., Natchez, Mississippi; Bro. John Harris, C.S.C., Detroit, Mich.; and Bro. Richard Popma, C.S.C., Grand Rapids, Mich.

The group will sail from New York City October 16th and will visit Rome on their journey to Pakistan. All the departing missionaries are graduates of the University of Notre Dame.

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

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 13 --- More than three hundred Hoosier scientists are expected to attend the seventy-first annual meeting of the Indiana Academy of Science at the University of Notre Dame tomorrow (Friday).

They will be welcomed to the campus by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, who will address the opening session in Washington Hall at 9 a.m. Also scheduled to speak at the general session is Dr. Charles Brambel, head of Notre Dame's biology department, who will discuss "What Is a Biologist?".

Dr. A. H. Meyer of Valparaiso University, president of the Academy, will speak on "Societal Responsibilities of Academies of Science at Mid-Century" at a dinner-meeting of the Academy tomorrow (Friday) evening at South Bend's LaSalle Hotel. New officers of the Academy also will be elected at the dinner session.

The Indiana scientists will spend the bulk of their time attending seminars and technical sessions in the fields of anthropology, bacteriology, botany, chemistry, entomology, geology, physics, psychology, zoology and plant taxonomy.

The Academy's executive committee was scheduled to meet at Notre Dame today and several hundred members of the Junior Academy of Science will meet on the campus Saturday.

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For immediate release:

New Orleans, La., Oct. 9 --- The Crusade for Souls being simultaneously launched by the three dioceses of Louisiana offers our laity "an unparalleled opportunity for missionary work and constitutes the most significant and promising development in the convert movement in America," Rev. John A. O'Brien of the University of Notre Dame declared here tonight (Sunday).

Father O'Brien preached the sermon, "The Challenge of Today" at a Solemn Pontifical Mass celebrated by the Most Rev. Joseph F. Rummel, Archbishop of New Orleans, this evening in Pelican Stadium. Thousands of Catholics representing every parish in the city were in attendance.

The Mass was the climax of a month of prayer and spiritual preparation for the launching of a Catholic census and information program throughout the archdiocese. Similar crusades are being inaugurated by Bishop Charles Greco of Alexandria and Bishop Jules Jeanmard of Lafayette.

Father O'Brien noted that never before has a Crusade for Souls been launched simultaneously by all the dioceses of a populous state. It constitutes a challenge, he said, to all Catholic men and women to show what they can do in winning souls.

In door-to-door contacts throughout the state Catholic laymen can obtain an accurate census, locating not only lapsed Catholics, but churchless people who might be willing to attend inquiry forums.

"This is an all-out effort to bring the saving truths of Christ to hundreds of thousands of people at the center of whose life there is a spiritual void and emptiness," Father O'Brien declared. "The eyes of the Catholics of America," he said, "will be on the bishops, priests, religious and laity of Louisiana as they unite in this intensive effort to extend Christ's kingdom on earth."

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PLEASE GUARD AGAINST PREMATURE RELEASE

For release in AM's, Tuesday, October 11th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 10 --- Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame, tonight (Monday) announced the appointment of Dean James E. McCarthy as dean emeritus of the University's College of Commerce. In his new post McCarthy will be in charge of College of Commerce development, Father Hesburgh said. He indicated that McCarthy's successor as head of the college would be named tomorrow.

During the thirty-two years of Dean McCarthy's tenure, the enrollment of Notre Dame's commerce school has grown from less than 400 to more than 1,500 students making it the largest college at the University. At the same time the college's curriculum and faculty were greatly expanded.

"Notre Dame men everywhere are indebted to Dean McCarthy for his generous and devoted service for so many years," Father Hesburgh declared in naming him to the new post. "We wish him continued success as dean emeritus in promoting the College of Commerce development, which will make possible the full fruition of his life's work: the presence everywhere in industrial affairs of highly competent Notre Dame men whose knowledge is matched by integrity of purpose and dedication to a better America."

The establishment of a College of Commerce development program was recommended by Dean McCarthy and his faculty in a recent report, Father Hesburgh said. The report stressed the need for developing new and increased sources of financial support so that the college may reach its full internal development, he explained. He cited improved facilities, a library and faculty development as essential to the continued academic improvement of the college.

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"No one at the University is better prepared than Dean Emeritus McCarthy to develop new lines of contact that will highlight the mutuality of interest that exists between industry and its source of well-prepared manpower," Father Hesburgh declared. "He is well known and highly respected in America's industrial world, both from his work in the field of business education and from the many positions of trust he has held and now holds in manifold business and governmental groups."

"At this moment in the historical development of Notre Dame's College of Commerce, the University is fortunate in having Dean Emeritus McCarthy dedicate himself to this newest step forward towards the fullest development of the College of Commerce whose growth he has guided from its earliest years."

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PLEASE GUARD AGAINST PREMATURE RELEASE

For release in PM's, Tuesday, October 11th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 11 --- Dr. James W. Culliton has been appointed dean of Notre Dame's College of Commerce, it was announced today (Tuesday) by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., university president. Culliton succeeds Dean James E. McCarthy who yesterday was named dean emeritus in charge of College of Commerce development.

Dr. Culliton joined the Notre Dame faculty in September, 1951, as a visiting professor from the Harvard School of Business Administration. Since 1952 he had served as director of Notre Dame's Program for Administrators which integrates a broad liberal arts education with specialized business training.

From 1937 to 1941 and again from 1944 to 1951 Professor Culliton was an associate professor at Harvard University where he received his master's degree and doctorate. He took his undergraduate work at Canisius College, Buffalo, N.Y. During World War II he was executive director of the Post War Readjustment Committee of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He also taught for one year at Boston College (1941-42).

Dr. Culliton is the author of several publications of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. Among them are Writing Business Cases, The Management of Marketing, The Use and Disposition of Ships and Shipyards at the End of World War II, and Make or Buy.

A native of Buffalo, N.Y., Culliton is married to the former Jane K. Hogan of that city. They have four sons.

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For release Sunday, October 16th or thereafter:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 15 --- A genial Irishman who remembers Knute Rockne more as a chemistry instructor than a football coach is beginning his forty-third year in charge of the chemistry department supply room at the University of Notre Dame.

He is Eddie Mahon who parcels out 3,500 varieties of chemicals and laboratory equipment to more than 1,400 students currently enrolled in chemistry classes at the University.

Mahon has presided over the chemistry stock room during the administration of eight Notre Dame presidents. He has served under five chemistry department heads in five different locations on the campus. He has seen many Notre Dame men, including five present members of the faculty, enroll in freshman chemistry and a few years later receive their Ph. D.

How Eddie Mahon came to Notre Dame nearly a half-century ago is a story in itself. Eddie was working in a Dublin publishing house, he relates, when a priest came in to order some books. The priest took some of the books with him, but asked that the others be shipped to him at the University of Notre Dame. The priest, Rev. John W. Cavanaugh, C.S.C., then president of Notre Dame, <sup>(1905-1919)</sup> asked the young Irishman if he ever thought about coming to America. Within the year Mahon sailed for the United States, came directly to see the only American he had met, and has been at Notre Dame ever since.

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In his early years at Notre Dame Mahon was known around the campus as an accomplished dancer. He appeared in several campus shows and recalls that Rockne himself was no stranger behind the footlights. Eddie often appeared professionally on the stage in Ireland and more than once was on the same program with singer John McCormack who, like Mahon, came from Athlone. One of Eddie's fondest memories is the occasion in 1933 when his fellow townsman, McCormack, came to Notre Dame to receive the Laetare Medal.

When Mahon arrived at Notre Dame in 1911, he worked in the students accounts office and later had charge of the waiters in the old refectory before taking over his present post. Literally thousands of Notre Dame men have passed through the University's chemistry laboratories during Mahon's tenure. Eddie has never taken a chemistry course and claims to know nothing about the subject. But his patience and kindness have helped many a student who was discouraged when a complicated experiment went wrong.

Mahon requires that all laboratory apparatus be returned to the supply room "clean and dry." Generations of Notre Dame chemistry students have tried to return equipment that was otherwise, but few have succeeded. Occasionally, a glass retort loaned to a student will break, and sometimes the student will claim the equipment was defective to begin with. According to a veteran faculty member, Eddie Mahon will listen to the student's story with remarkable sympathy and patience--and then charge him for the broken item!

The Mahons are a Notre Dame family if there ever was one. Eddie married Annie Monahan in the campus church and their four children were baptized and confirmed there. Their son Joe is employed at Notre Dame's Lobund Institute. A daughter, Sister Mary Mellita, R.S.M., teaches at Grand Haven, Michigan. Another daughter, Mrs. John Loritsch, is married to the manager of General Electric's chemical division who received his Ph.D. at Notre Dame.

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Tragedy came to the Mahon family in 1951 when another son, Maury, a 1950 Notre Dame graduate and an FBI agent, died in a plane crash. But even in recalling such a sad occasion, Eddie Mahon can still smile. It was then that he received letters of sympathy from scores of Notre Dame men in every part of the country who came to know and admire the little Irishman in the chemistry stock room.

Faculty members, students and alumni alike agree that Notre Dame's chemistry department wouldn't be the same without Eddie Mahon. It is men of his character, spirit and devotion who in their own lifetime have helped transform Notre Dame from a small obscure school in northern Indiana to a university famous the world over.

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

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 20--- The University of Notre Dame today announced it has received grants totalling \$49,556 from the National Institutes of Health for research at its Lobund Institute and its departments of biology and chemistry.

The Lobund Institute was awarded a grant of \$29,814 for research directed by Professor James A. Reyniers on "The Rearing and Study of Germfree Animals." Reyniers is the founder and director of the Institute which has developed the germfree animal as a unique tool in biological and medical research.

Professor Charles E. Brambel, head of Notre Dame's biology department, received a grant of \$12,193 in support of his research on "Blood Coagulation Inhibitors." A grant of \$4,358 was awarded to Dr. Donald T. Chalkley, assistant professor of biology, for research on "The Differentiation in Vitro of Regeneration Blastema."

Rev. Thomas J. Lane, C.S.C., and Dr. James V. Quagliano, both of the chemistry department faculty, will share a \$3,191 grant for "Studies of Aminoacid and Protein Metal Complexes."

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For release in AM's, Thursday, October 20th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 19 --- The University of Notre Dame will award an honorary Doctor of Laws degree tomorrow (Thursday) to His Beatitude Maximos IV, Patriarch of Antioch and All the East.

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, will confer the degree at ceremonies in Sacred Heart Church on the campus at 5:15 p.m. The exercises will conclude with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Under the Holy Father, Maximos IV is the spiritual shepherd of approximately 150,000 Melkites of the Byzantine Rite of the Catholic Church. The Melkites use the Arabic language in their liturgical functions. The jurisdiction of Maximos IV extends to all the faithful of his church living in the lands of the old Turkish empire (as of 1894) and Egypt. Approximately 20,000 Melkites have emigrated to the United States. They are served by priests subject to the local American bishop.

The Melkites derive their name from the Syrian word for "king" because they proclaimed the orthodoxy of their emperor after the Council of Chalcedon in 451. The name is often used without qualification to designate the Catholic Byzantines of Syria and Egypt. While the patriarchate of Antioch has relatively few spiritual subjects, it is important historically and ecclesiastically because of the large number of its patriarchs and bishops who remained in communion with Rome after the Byzantine schism of 1054.

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

Notre Dame, Ind., Oct. 21 --- America's colleges and universities must train scientists of the next generation to work as a team without stifling "individual effort, originality and independent thinking," according to Professor Herman Mark, a noted specialist in polymer chemistry.

Professor Mark today completed the annual P. C. Reilly Lectures in chemistry at the University of Notre Dame. He is the author of several books and a faculty member at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute.

Within the past thirty years, Professor Mark noted, the natural sciences have developed many new and complex methods. Whereas one or at most two persons formerly would carry out a scientific investigation from beginning to end, as many as six or eight men are often needed to complete a project today, he said.

Research that used to take one man five years is now completed by five men in one year, Professor Mark observed. Such cooperative effort is "inevitable", he said, if scientific progress is to be accelerated. Today's educators, he continued, must accept this fact and instill in our future scientists the conviction that cooperation "can be just as satisfying as single individual effort." Impersonalization, he said, does not detract from "the importance, necessity or mental satisfaction" of scientific research.

The Vienna-born scientist cited his own field of polymer chemistry to support his thesis. Describing a polymer as a very large and complex molecule--rubber, cellulose, proteins and nylon would be examples--Professor Mark said that a scientist engaged in polymer research must be equally at home in many branches of chemistry or have the assistance of experts in those fields.

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He explained that one scientist might prepare the raw material for an experiment. Another would carry out the polymerization. Still others would appraise the chemical and mechanical properties of the material.

Polymers have great practical importance, Professor Mark explained, since virtually all our food and our very bodies are made up largely of polymers. He cited great advances in the preservation, canning and freezing of food which were made possible in recent years by polymer research. A change of one hydroxyl group can transform an appetizing, wholesome food into a poisonous substance, he said. Conceding that man's food could theoretically be synthesized through polymer research, Professor Mark dismissed this as impractical "because natural food is so cheap."

"There is no life without polymers," Professor Mark observed. Because polymers are present in all life activities, medicine is relying more and more on the help of polymer chemistry for both diagnosis and therapy, he said. He gave insulin, cortisone and blood plasma extenders as important contributions of polymer chemistry to medicine.

Polymers are important to industry, Professor Mark continued, because so many natural fibers and materials have proved inadequate for modern needs. Without polymers, he said, there would be no radar, television, or jet planes, to mention only a few twentieth-century marvels.

Polymer research is particularly satisfying because it affects so many areas of life, Professor Mark said. Polymer chemistry, he said, is an especially fertile field for the exchange of ideas among representatives of industry, agriculture, government, medicine and the academic world.

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

Washington, D.C., Oct. 18 --- The University of Notre Dame tonight (Tuesday) presented its Laetare Medal for 1955 to George Meany, president of The American Federation of Labor, for his "conspicuous leadership in the ranks of labor" and his "practical Christian life."

The Most Rev. Patrick A. O'Boyle, Archbishop of Washington, conferred the medal upon the veteran labor official in the presence of Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, and two hundred of the University's guests at a dinner in the Mayflower Hotel here. Thomas E. Murray, a member of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission and the Laetare Medalist of 1952, served as toastmaster.

Meany is the first labor leader to receive the Laetare Medal which was established in 1883. It is generally regarded as the most significant annual award made to Catholic laymen in the United States. Diplomat Jefferson Caffery was the 1954 recipient.

(EDITORS: MR. MEANY'S ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS NOT AVAILABLE WHEN THIS RELEASE WAS PREPARED. WASHINGTON EDITORS WILL FIND IT IN OFFICIAL PRESS KIT. OTHERS SHOULD RECEIVE HIS REMARKS VIA THE WIRE SERVICES.)

In a major address on "The Church and Labor", Archbishop O'Boyle hailed Meany as "the most important and most influential labor leader in the world." It is indeed fortunate, the Washington prelate declared, "that the number one labor leader in the free world is a religious-minded man, a man who firmly believes in God and in God's moral law and is proud to be identified as a loyal communicant of his own Church."

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Archbishop O'Boyle noted that Catholic workingmen "have always been extremely well represented in the ranks of organized labor and have probably produced more than their proportionate share of outstanding labor leaders." He attributed this, in part, to "the friendly attitude of the Church in America to the cause of trade unionism."

The Catholic Church in the United States, Archbishop O'Boyle asserted, "has always had implicit confidence in the essential aims and aspirations of the American labor movement and has consistently urged her own members, so many of whom are working people, to take an active interest in union affairs as one very important means of practicing the virtues of social justice and social charity."

The Archbishop of Washington emphasized that the Church "has no ulterior motives in the field of organized labor. If the Church has encouraged her members to take an active interest in union affairs, she has not done so for the purpose of 'capturing' the labor movement or bringing it under clerical or ecclesiastical control. On the contrary, her only motive has been to promote the cause of justice and charity by encouraging her members to practice these virtues at every possible opportunity in cooperation with all other men of good will."

The Catholic Church "cannot and will not support any labor movement, including our own, uncritically and without reservations," Archbishop O'Boyle warned. "The Church is admittedly in favor of the organization of workers into unions for their own economic and moral betterment. But she is not pro-labor in the sense of rationalizing or condoning or winking at labor's defects, nor is she pro-labor in the sense of being anti-management or anti-anything else."

The Church believes unions are desirable and necessary, Archbishop O'Boyle said, "not only for the protection and advancement of the worker's interests, but, even, more important, for the development of a sound social order."

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For release in PM's, Wednesday, November 2nd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 2 --- The appointment of Professor Thomas T. Murphy as director of Notre Dame's Program for Administrators was announced today (Wednesday) by Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs at the University. Murphy succeeds Dr. James W. Culliton who recently was named dean of the College of Commerce.

Father Moore also announced the appointments of Rev. Roland (†) Simonitsch, C.S.C., as head of the religion department and Rev. Thomas F. Cady as head of the department of classics. Both had been serving as acting department heads.

Murphy, a specialist in business finance, has been a faculty member in the College of Commerce since 1946. He has been on the teaching staff of the Program for Administrators since its inception in 1952. A native of Boston, he holds degrees from Boston University and is a candidate for a doctorate at Notre Dame. He is also a graduate of the U. S. Naval War College and is a lieutenant commander in the U. S. Navy Reserve. Prior to joining the Notre Dame faculty, he taught at Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass., and at Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Michigan. He is a member of the American Economic Association, the American Finance Association and a former vice president of the Indiana Academy of Social Sciences.

Father Simonitsch, a Notre Dame faculty member since 1941, was awarded a Ph. D. in religious education by the Catholic University of America in 1951. From 1946-48 he headed the religion department. He has also served as assistant prefect of religion, chaplain of Notre Dame's Vetville, and chaplain to the Navy and Marine trainees on the campus during World War II. A native of Moorhead, Minnesota, Father Simonitsch was ordained to the priesthood on June 24, 1940. He is a member of the American Catholic Theology Society.

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Father Cady has been teaching Latin and Greek at Notre Dame since 1951. Born in Brighton, Massachusetts, he was graduated from Notre Dame in 1941 and received a master's degree in classics in 1950 from The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. Father Cady was ordained on June 10, 1945. In addition to his teaching he also serves as rector of Pangborn Hall on the Notre Dame campus.

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For release in PM's, Friday, November 4th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 4 --- Dr. Thomas G. Ward, an outstanding virologist and an authority on the common cold, has been appointed to the Notre Dame faculty and to the research staff of the University's Lobund Institute, it was announced today by Rev. Philip S. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs. Dr. Ward, who will have the academic rank of professor, will assume his new duties January 1, 1956. Since 1941, with the exception of the war years, he has been a faculty member at The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

Dr. Ward is co-discoverer of the APC group of viruses which are responsible for a large proportion of the acute febrile respiratory diseases of a non-bacterial origin. He is especially well-known for his work with the influenza virus, mumps/<sup>virus</sup> and the viruses of the common cold. He was a member of a research team which developed and recently tested on human volunteers a virus vaccine which holds promise of preventing certain upper respiratory infections.

At Notre Dame Dr. Ward will join a group of research scientists, led by Professor James A. Reyniers, founder and director of the Lobund Institute, who have developed the germfree animal as a unique tool in biological and medical research. Dr. Ward will experiment with germfree animals as he continues his investigations in the field of virus diseases. He will also participate in the Institute's basic research program as well as in a projected graduate training program.

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A native of Athens, Louisiana, Dr. Ward received his medical degree from Baylor University in 1935 and the degree of Doctor of Public Health from The Johns Hopkins University in 1941. During World War II, in addition to many other important assignments, he was chief of the Preventive Medicine Section, Office of the Surgeon, U. S. Army Forces in the Middle East. He later held the corresponding post in the Pacific Ocean Area. Dr. Ward also served as director of the division of epidemiology, Preventive Medicine Service, Office of the Surgeon General. While on active duty he held the rank of lieutenant colonel. He is now a colonel in the U. S. Army Medical Reserve Corps.

For his wartime service Dr. Ward received the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star. He holds memberships in several professional societies including the American Medical Association, the American Public Health Association, the Society of American Bacteriologists, the New York Academy of Sciences and the American Statistical Association. He is also a consultant to Naval Medical Research Unit No. 4 at Great Lakes, Illinois, and an associate member of the Commission on Respiratory Diseases, Armed Forces Epidemiological Board. Dr. and Mrs. Ward have three children.

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For release in AM's, Thursday, November 3rd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 2 --- Most college students having difficulty with their courses can make the grade if they have the "desire" and if they are reached in time by competent counselors, according to Dr. William M. Burke, academic student advisor and assistant to the vice president for academic affairs at the University of Notre Dame.

The tragedy is that so many students "learn too late that they are in academic trouble" in Dr. Burke's judgement. "Our colleges are losing too many young people," he says, "who might have received their degrees if only they got off to the right start in their freshman year."

The Notre Dame student advisor attributes the greatest number of class failures by far to students' "inability to budget their time and to study effectively." He points out, for example, that college professors generally give tests less frequently than high school instructors. Consequently, many students who know they won't be confronted with a test for two or three weeks are inclined to study that course little, if at all.

A second major factor accounting for the failure of college students, Dr. Burke believes, is the considerable difference both in the content and technique of high school and college instruction. Relatively few students have the knack of taking good notes at a college lecture, he points out. Others are handicapped, he says, because they never were assigned much homework or outside reading in high school. Notre Dame's history courses generally prove difficult for freshmen, Dr. Burke explained, simply because the textbook constitutes only a portion of the reading required.

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Still another reason that college students fail their courses, according to Dr. Burke, is that "they spread themselves too thin" by joining in too many extra-curricular activities. Conceding that participation in athletics, musical organizations and other campus groups is a facet of college life whose importance "should not be underestimated," Dr. Burke advises students to select one or two campus activities for which they are well-equipped and which will not intrude on their study time.

Dr. Burke knows whereof he speaks. As an undergraduate at Duke University in the early '30s he was an honors student as well as president of his class for three years and president of the Student Government Association in his senior year. He joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1949 after receiving his Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania. Since Notre Dame's academic counseling program was organized in 1954, he has interviewed hundreds of students. Though virtually all his time is devoted to counseling, he keeps a professor's perspective by teaching a three-hour course in "Modern European Drama."

"Our only reason for being in this office is to help the boys," Dr. Burke says. "Most of them are quite frank in discussing their academic difficulties," he says, "and all are grateful for whatever help we can give." Sometimes it's just a question of sitting down with a boy and working out a "time budget sheet" with him. Every hour of the week, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., is blocked off. Mealtimes, classroom hours and recreation periods are filled in and a consistent study schedule is charted. A student who has been doing poorly in class with haphazard study habits "almost automatically" improves when put on a study schedule.

In rare instances, a student in danger of dismissal for poor academic work will do better by dropping one of his courses and concentrating on the others, Dr. Burke says. Others will benefit from private tutoring with the approval of the professor and the boy's parents. Only students with a 90% or better average in a class are listed on the roster of tutors. Still others improve if transferred from an advanced class to a lower class.

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While students can see Dr. Burke or his associates on their own initiative, often without an appointment, Notre Dame has established procedures designed to spot and help the deficient student before it's too late. Early in the semester the counseling office receives a list of all freshmen who are not, at that time, passing their courses. Those doing poorly in two or more courses are automatically interviewed. The rectors and prefects in each of Notre Dame's fifteen residence halls also receive the list of deficient students, talk to each individually, and see to it that they devote more time to study.

Often the services of Dr. Burke and the counseling office are less formal. Parents of incoming freshmen are invited to write a letter telling of their son's "personality, work habits, temperament, interests or hobbies and health." Confidential information received from parents often can make easier the college adjustment of a son who may be handicapped in some way. For example, when Dr. Burke learns of an incoming freshman with poor hearing, the student's instructors are notified and asked to seat the boy near the front of the classroom.

While teaching provides great satisfaction, it is even more satisfying to be able to help a student who is doing poorly and in danger of abandoning his college education. Students and parents alike, more often than not, will write Dr. Burke to express their appreciation for his help. Typical of these letters is one from a Boston newspaperman which reads in part:

"Ever since our son was accepted for entrance, my wife and I have been pleasantly impressed by Notre Dame's attitude of personal interest in students. I've never seen its equal in any college."

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For immediate release:

Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. --- The Dean of the Sacred College of Cardinals has praised the work of Notre Dame's Mediaeval Institute and the scholarship of its director, Rev. A.L. Gabriel, O. Praem.

His Eminence Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, in a recent letter to Rev. Theodore M. Leclercq, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, commended the work, research and various publications of the Institute. He singled out the recent lectures of Father Gabriel before the French Academy and other learned European societies as particularly valuable.

The Vatican prelate expressed "the sincere hope that this Institute, founded by Father Philip E. Moore, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs at the University, will flourish to the glory of the Church, will produce more publications that are so welcomed in the Christian world, and will continue to strengthen the bonds that join together the various institutions of the learned world."

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For release in AM's, Sunday, November 6th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Nov. 5 --- An exhibition of the sculpture of Ivan Mestrovic will be a highlight of Notre Dame's third annual Festival of the Arts November 13-19, the University announced today.

Included in the week-long series of campus events will be a University Theatre production of The Alchemist by Ben Jonson, a recital by the Fine Arts Quartet and the presentation of three prize-winning films.

Seventy of Mestrovic's works will be on view in the University galleries in O'Shaughnessy Hall daily from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Among them will be his "Mater Dolorosa" in white onyx, a marble reproduction of "St. Jerome", and a "Madonna and Child" executed in wood. Generally regarded as the outstanding living sculptor of religious subjects, Mestrovic joined the Notre Dame faculty this year under the University's Distinguished Professors Program.

The Fine Arts Quartet will appear in the LaFortune Student Center Nov. 15 at 8 p.m. Included in the program will be Mozart's Quartet in D Major, Quartet No. 5 by Bartok, and Beethoven's Quartet in C Minor. The group consists of George Sopkin, cellist; Abram Loft, violin; Irving Ilmer, viola; and Leonard Sorkin, violin.

"The Alchemist" will be presented by the University Theatre Nov. 16-19 at 8:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Preceding the opening night performance will be a panel discussion on "Ben Jonson and the Elizabethan Drama" in O'Shaughnessy Hall (Room 104) at 4:30 p.m. Participants will include Professors John F. Nims and Elias Schwartz of the English department and Fred Syburg of the department of speech who is directing "The Alchemist."

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Outstanding films to be shown during the Festival of the Arts in the Engineering Auditorium are "The Earrings of Madame de...", Nov. 14, 3:30 p.m.; "Bicycle Thief," Nov. 15, 4:30 p.m.; and "The Battleship Potemkin," Nov. 17, 4:30 p.m. Selected short films classics also will be included in these programs.

Opening event of the Festival will be a reception for Professor and Madame Mestrovic in the foyer of O'Shaughnessy Hall Nov. 13 (Sunday) at 3 p.m. The celebrated Croatian sculptor currently is working on "Christ at Jacob's Well," a life-size sculpture to be placed in the O'Shaughnessy Hall courtyard.

A talk on "Christian Sculpture" by Peter Watts, a British artist, November 14 at 3 p.m. in the Student Center completes the Festival program.

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NO.	DATE	T O P I C S
55/134	9/30/55	Lecture series sponsored by Committee on Internat'l Relations.
55/135	9/30/55	4-yr. scholarship to N.D. by J.P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation.
55/136	9/28/55	Gen. David Sarnoff addresses academic convocation 30th.
55/137	9/30/55	A.B.Sparbee will address 8th World Trade Conference.
55/138	9/30/55	George Meany to receive Laetare Medal Oct. 18 in D.C.
55/139	9/30/55	Law School will present demonstration trial Oct. 8.
55/140	9/30/55	Most. Rev. L.L.Graner, C.S.C., Archbishop of Dacca, visits ND.
55/141	10/7/55	Carlton J. H. Hayes begins series of six history lectures.
55/142	10/7/55	Tom C. Clark will preside at 6th annual Moot Court.
55/143	10/7/55	Departure ceremonies for religious going to Pakistan.
55/144	10/7/55	300 Hoosier scientists attend Ind. Academy of Science.
55/145	10/7/55	Crusade for Souls being launched in Louisiana by Fr. O'Brien.
55/146	10/7/55	Dean J.E.McCarthy named Dean Emeritus of College of Commerce.
55/147	10/7/55	Dr. James W. Culliton named Dean of College of Commerce.
55/148	10/14/55	Eddie Mahon beginning 43rd year in chge of <sup>chemistry</sup> stockroom.
55/149	10/14/55	Lobund receives grants totalling \$49,556.
55/150	10/14/55	His Beatitutde, Maximos IV to receive Dr. of Laws degree.
55/151	10/14/55	Prof. Herman Mark gives P.C.Reilly chemistry lectures.
55/152	10/14/55	George Meany to receive Laetare Medal 18th in Washington.