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For release in PM's, Thursday, May 1st:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 1st: --Austrian Chancellor Julius Raab will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree and deliver a major address at a special University of Notre Dame convocation May 22nd (Thursday), it was announced here today by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., university president. The entire Notre Dame faculty will participate in the exercises in Washington Hall at 3:30 p.m.

Chancellor Raab, whose post is equivalent to that of prime minister, is scheduled to arrive on the Notre Dame campus at noon. He will be honored at a reception and luncheon at The Morris Inn beginning at 12:30 p.m. Following the luncheon and prior to the academic convocation he and Father Hesburgh will tour the campus by car.

During the Austrian leader's official visit to the United States he will confer with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles. He will be the president's guest at a White House luncheon May 19th. Father Hesburgh became acquainted with Chancellor Raab's work during the general conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna last fall. Father Hesburgh is permanent Vatican City representative to the atoms-for-peace organization.

Raab has headed the Austrian government as Federal Chancellor since April, 1953. The 66-year-old statesman is one of the founders of the Austrian People's Party and a veteran member of Parliament. He held several government posts before and after the Nazi occupation of Austria, 1938-45. During the occupation he was forbidden to operate his own building contracting firm, but he provided refuge for many persons persecuted for racial and political reasons.

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For release in AM's, Tuesday, May 13th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 12: --- Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame, will be the commencement speaker and receive honorary degrees at three colleges and universities during the coming month.

The institutions honoring Father Hesburgh include Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire; Villanova University, Villanova, Pennsylvania; and Saint Benedict's College, Atchison, Kansas.

Father Hesburgh will deliver the principal address and receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from St. Benedict's College May 23th. Villanova University will confer an honorary Doctor of Science degree on the Notre Dame president at its commencement exercises June 2nd. He will be awarded another honorary Doctor of Laws degree and give a major address June 8th at Dartmouth College's commencement.

Recently reappointed president of Notre Dame, Father Hesburgh is a member of the Civil Rights Commission and the National Science Board. He is also permanent Mexican City representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency. He also holds a number of other influential posts in educational, scientific, and philanthropic organizations.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, May 11th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 10 -- War with Russia "is as certain as tomorrow's sunrise" unless law and reason replace weapons as the ultimate "decider" of disputes between nations, the president of The American Bar Association declared here tonight (Saturday).

Charles S. Rhyne told a Notre Dame Law School Honors Banquet that a formula or mechanism must be developed "to maintain peace other than through arms." The rule of law, he said, offers such a mechanism "with persuasion and reason replacing weapons in the all-important international dispute arena. We cannot be saved from the holocaust of war by science or weapons alone," he warned.

Speaking at The Morris Inn on the campus, Rhyne conceded that substituting the use of law for weapons "must go through many growing or formative stages before the idea can function as it should and must. But when the alternative is the destruction of the free world, the costs of success become immaterial," he declared.

Rhyne spelled out a 6-point program to establish the rule of law as a decider of international disputes "before atomic annihilation overtakes us."

1. The State Department, he said, "should create an entirely new section staffed with experts whose sole and exclusive function would be to concentrate on law as a program capable of creating a 'break-through' to achieve and maintain peace."

2. Lawyers should be urged to emphasize individually the importance of international law and of the development of a rule of law in international affairs.

3. Every institution of legal education in America, Rhyne insisted, should make international law a required course.

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4. All government agencies should further the use of law to the greatest possible extent in all international contacts. Law should be substituted for weapons, Rhyne contended, "in any and every field of international interest" including such specific areas as the guaranteeing of world investments and the protection of national boundaries.

5. The United Nations and all other international agencies, Rhyne asserted, should be urged to bring law, legal procedures and legal methods to the forefront in all deliberations, and particularly by making more use of the International Court of Justice and its advisory jurisdiction.

6. The lawyers of America should unite in urging removal by the United States of the present reservation which makes inapplicable to our country the compulsory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice, to the end that we as a nation will accept the jurisdiction of that court in all international disputes in the future.

Rhyne told students and faculty of the Notre Dame Law School that the urgent desire to prevent war "offers a unique and unparalleled opportunity to develop the legal machinery that is essential for peace with the overwhelming support of worldwide public opinion." He pointed out that law exists now in some form in all nations. "We need not so much then to acquaint the people of the world with law," he said, "but to strengthen and use it in an area where it is little used today. I firmly believe," Rhyne emphasized, "that law offers the best growing point toward order in a disordered world and the best path to disarmament and peace."

Dean Joseph O'Meara presented awards to outstanding law students during the program. Tom McNeill, Winnetka, Ill., son of Don McNeill, the noted entertainer, was toastmaster of the Law Honors Banquet. William A. Loy, Robinson, Ill., was banquet chairman. McNeill and Loy are among thirty-four Notre Dame students who will receive law degrees at the University's 113th annual commencement June 1st.

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For release in PM's, Wednesday, May 14th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 14: -- Two additional members of the University of Notre Dame's senior class have been awarded Fulbright grants for graduate study abroad during the 1958-59 school year, the International Educational Exchange Service of the State Department has announced.

They are William B. Griffith, Smithfield, Texas, and Michael F. Kennedy, Boston, Massachusetts. Both have been enrolled in Notre Dame's General Program of Liberal Education.

Griffith plans to take advanced studies in philosophy at the University of Louvain in Belgium while Kennedy will study acting at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art.

Previously announced Notre Dame winners of Fulbright awards include Theodore J. Collins, Waitsburg, Washington; Victor R. Kopidlansky, Cato, Wisconsin; and Ralph C. Nelson, Park Ridge, Illinois.

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For release in PM's, Friday, May 16th:

Notre Dame, Ind., May 16 --- Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell and Archbishop William O. Brady of St. Paul will be the principal speakers at the University of Notre Dame's 113th annual commencement exercises here June 1st (Sunday), it was announced today by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., university president.

Mitchell will deliver the commencement address at exercises in the Notre Dame stadium at 2 p.m. (CDT). Father Hesburgh will confer eight honorary degrees and approximately 1,337 graduate and undergraduate degrees during the ceremonies which will be televised by WNDU-TV. Archbishop Brady will preach the baccalaureate sermon during a Solemn Pontifical Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Leo A. Fursley of Fort Wayne in the stadium at 9 a.m.

Honorary degree recipients, in addition to the Cabinet member and the Minnesota prelate, include Deputy Undersecretary of State Robert D. Murphy, Washington, D. C.; Raymond H. Reiss, president of the Reiss Manufacturing Corp., New York City, and president of Notre Dame's Associate Board of Lay Trustees; Paul Horgan, Pulitzer Prize winning author, Roswell, New Mexico; Robert H. Gore, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., publisher and hotel operator and a member of Notre Dame's College of Commerce Advisory Council; Alfred P. Sloan, honorary board chairman of the General Motors Corp. and president of the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, New York City; and Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner, president of Associated Universities, Inc., New York City, and a member of the executive committee of the U. S. national committee for the International Geophysical Year.

Following the Baccalaureate Mass in the morning Father Hesburgh will bless an American flag which the senior class presented to the University on Washington's Birthday. Traditionally, the seniors' flag is blessed and flown for the first time on their graduation day and then throughout the following year.

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On the eve of their graduation from Notre Dame, 189 members of the senior class will receive commissions in the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines during Class Day exercises in the University Drill Hall May 31st (Saturday) at 10 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to outstanding students at the ceremonies. Student speakers will include class president Don McNeill, Winnetka, Ill., son of the veteran radio entertainer; valedictorian John A. Kennedy, Tacoma, Washington; and class orator John C. Hirschfeld, Champaign, Ill. Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., Notre Dame's executive vice president, will preside at the Class Day exercises.

The senior class will make its traditional "Last Visit" to Sacred Heart Church on the campus an hour earlier at 9 a.m. (Saturday). The ceremony, which is restricted to members of the graduating class, will be conducted by Rev. Charles Carey, C.S.C., prefect of religion.

Secretary Mitchell was appointed to President Eisenhower's Cabinet on October 9, 1953. Previously he served as Assistant Secretary of the Army in charge of manpower and reserve forces affairs. During World War II he was director of the Industrial Personnel Division of the War Department where he was responsible for labor and manpower problems affecting Army contractors and the administration of nearly one million civilian employees of the Army Service Forces. Mitchell has served as personnel relations advisor, industrial relations director and operating vice president of several industrial concerns. He is a native of Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Archbishop Brady was elevated to the hierarchy by Pope Pius XII on June 10, 1939 and named Bishop of Sioux Falls. He served as head of the South Dakota see until June 16, 1956 when he was named coadjutor Archbishop of St. Paul with the right of succession. He became Ordinary of the Archdiocese on October 11, 1956. A son of the Fall River, Mass., diocese, Archbishop Brady has spent most of his priestly life in the St. Paul See. Awarded a doctorate in sacred theology from the Angelicum in Rome, he served for six years as rector of the St. Paul Seminary.

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