

## DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC INFORMATION

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For release in PM's, Thursday, March 4th:

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 4 -- The causes of racial disorders as well as teen-age and campus riots and the best methods for dealing with them will be explored at a Notre Dame Law School symposium on "Violence in the Streets, U.S.A., 1964" here March 27th (Saturday).

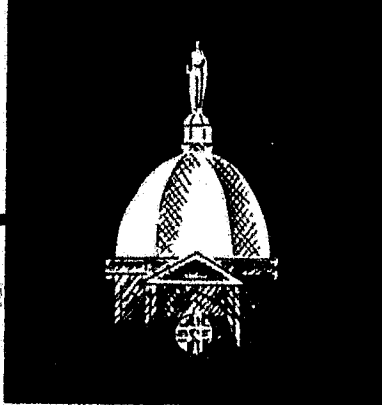
Dean Joseph O'Meara said participants "will discuss the social and economic causes of violence; the effect upon it of police brutality and revolutions in morals, science, theology and other fields of learning; and the best methods for dealing with lawlessness."

Speakers at the symposium, to be held in the Notre Dame Memorial Library Auditorium beginning at 9:30 a.m. (EST) will be Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Allen D. Grimshaw, professor of sociology at Indiana University and an authority on the history of riots; and William Stringfellow, New York City attorney.

Also Police Commissioner Howard R. Leary of Philadelphia, Pa.; Dean Joseph Lohman of the University of California School of Criminology; Dr. Gurston D. Goldin, of the department of psychiatry, Columbia University School of Physicians and Surgeons; and Charles Silberman, author of Crisis In Black and White, and a member of the editorial staff of FORTUNE.

Professor Thomas Broden of the Notre Dame Law School is coordinating symposium arrangements.

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For release in AM's, March 7th:

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 6 -- Biographies of prelates who are shaping contemporary Church history are featured in Men Who Make The Council, a series of twelve booklets published here by the University of Notre Dame Press (75¢ each).

Vatican II leaders whose critical portraits are included in the series are Agostino Cardinal Bea, the German Jesuit; Leon Josef Cardinal Suenens of Belgium; Bologna's Giacomo Cardinal Lercaro; Joseph Cardinal Ritter of Saint Louis; Canadian Paul-Emile Cardinal Leger; Alfredo Cardinal Ottaviani, Secretary of the Congregation of the Holy Office; Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, Dean of the Sacred College; Patriarch Maximos IV Saygh; Czechoslovakia's Joseph Cardinal Beran; Joseph Cardinal Frings of Cologne; Chicago's Albert Gregory Cardinal Meyer; and Francis Cardinal Koenig of Vienna.

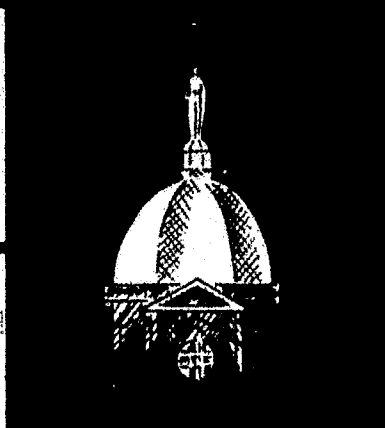
Cardinal Meyer's biography is the work of Dr. George N. Shuster, the noted educator, author and assistant to the president of Notre Dame.

Michael Novak, author of The New Generation and The Open Church, is the editor of the series of biographical portraits. In an editor's note Novak asks:

"Who are these men who begin to prepare the Church for the twenty-first century? What forces have shaped their past? What are their reflections on the past and their thoughts for the future? What special conviction has each of them to bring to the collective wisdom of the Church?"

Portraits of twelve additional internationally prominent churchmen, to be published later this year, will complete the series.

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WON FELLOWSHIPS UNTIL THURSDAY, MARCH 11 at 4 PM.

For release in AM's, Friday, March 12th:

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Notre Dame, Ind., March 11 -- Ten University of Notre Dame seniors have been awarded fellowships for their first year of graduate study by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, Princeton, N. J. Three other Notre Dame students and an alumnus received "honorable mention" in the annual nationwide competition.

Sir Hugh Taylor, Foundation president, today named 1,395 seniors representing 361 colleges and universities who will receive grants providing tuition and fees at the graduate school of their choice plus \$1,800 for living expenses.

The Notre Dame fellowship winners and their fields of interest are Edward L. Burke, Framingham, Mass., history; Thomas O. Cullen, Storm Lake, Ia., English; Richard J. Farrell, Brooklyn, N. Y., English; Lee E. Foster, Mankato, Minn., comparative literature; John J. Gearen, Oak Park, Ill., political science; W. Kelly Morris, Charleston, S. C., drama; John T. Pesta, Allentown, Pa., English literature; Leon J. Roos, Houston, Tex., political science; Gregory J. Theissen, Minneapolis, Minn., English; and Peter J. Wanderer, Spokane, Wash., high energy physics.

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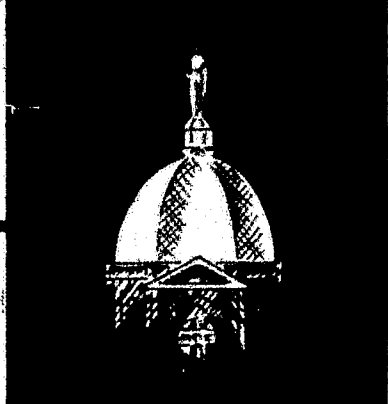
## Woodrow Wilson Fellowships...2

Letters of award from the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation were presented to the recipients today (Thursday) by Rev. Charles Sheedy, C.S.C., Dean of the College of Arts and Letters at Notre Dame. Students and faculty members attended the informal ceremony (4 p.m.) in the auditorium lounge of the new Notre Dame Memorial Library.

Notre Dame men accorded "honorable mention" in the fellowship competition include William E. Carroll, Peekskill, N. Y., history; Michael J. Coy, Louisville, Ky., history; Charles D. Lovejoy, Jr., Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, East Asian studies; and Frater Joel Rieck, O. P., River Forest, Ill., theology.

Through the years, 114 Notre Dame men have been awarded graduate fellowships by the Wilson Foundation. The grants are intended to develop qualified college teachers for tomorrow, but recipients are not committed to a teaching career. Approximately 6,000 former Fellows are in college teaching or are completing their graduate studies in preparation for college teaching. Since 1958, the Wilson fellowship program has been financed by Ford Foundation grants totalling \$52 million.

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For release in AM's, Sunday, March 14th:

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 13 -- The views of theologians, medical experts and welfare personnel at a hitherto off-the-record University of Notre Dame conference on population problems have been published here in The Problem of Population: Practical Catholic Applications (University of Notre Dame Press, \$1.25).

Dr. George N. Shuster, assistant to the president of Notre Dame, is the editor of the volume which includes papers by nationally prominent specialists in marriage and family life. The conference, held Feb. 20-23, 1964, as the second in a series of three meetings, was co-sponsored by The Cana Conference of Chicago and was supported by The Ford Foundation. Another conference is to be held later this year. Invitations to attend these conferences are tendered by Rev. John L. Thomas, S.J., and Rev. Walter Imbierski, acting on behalf of both the University of Notre Dame and the Cana Conference of Chicago.

In an introduction to the volume, Dr. Shuster reported complete conference agreement "that a population problem exists and that it is a gravely challenging one" with both statistical and moral aspects.

Presenting a "distillation of current scholarly Catholic views" on the population problem, Shuster said all demographers, Catholics included, "are agreed that mankind must henceforth limit its power to procreate." Even if there should be vast increase in the world's food supply and economic productivity, he predicts "inevitable disaster if the growth rate from two billion to six billion in eighty years were to be maintained." He also foresees that government intervention "as a matter of public policy will become more and more the rule."

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Shuster cites a two-fold task for the Catholic demographer and moral theologian:

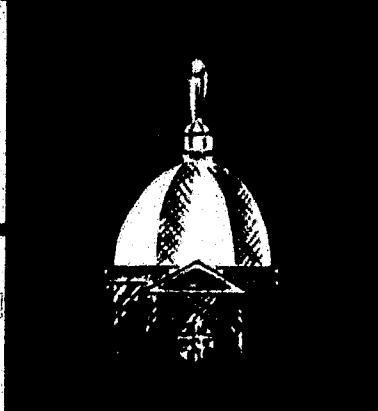
1. "To make it possible for the faithful to confront the inescapable task of regulating births with means which are sanctioned by the Church; and
2. "To oppose as successfully as he can the use of methods like infanticide and induced abortion which give an added dimension to the moral issues involved."

According to Dr. Shuster, three great issues confront the Catholic scholar:

1. "There is a problem of population increase which cannot be solved by pretending that it does not exist, or by taking refuge in pious hopes. The present rate of growth cannot be maintained.
2. "Although rapid urbanization may lower birth rates, it may also increase recourse to sexual indulgence, by reason of such factors as greater anonymity and opportunity;
3. "The prevailing climate renders it more difficult to maintain high standards of Christian conduct within the family and outside it, so that attitudes now considered 'old fashioned' or 'irrational' may prove to be sources of disaffection or even ridicule."

Contributors to the volume include Rev. Thomas J. Reese, director of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Wilmington, Del., "Catholic Charities and Family Welfare"; Rev. John L. Thomas, S.J., associate professor of sociology at St. Louis University, "Problems of the Future: Sterilization, Abortion and Other Issues"; Rev. George C. Hagmaier, C.S.P., professor of religious education, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., "Family Education and Counseling"; Rev. Thomas B. McDonough, Catholic chaplain at the University of Chicago, "Distribution of Contraceptives by the Welfare Department: A Catholic Response"; Rev. Dino Lorenzetti, director of the Family Life Department, Diocese of Buffalo, "Family Life Clinic"; and Joseph J. Ricotta, M.D., medical director of the Buffalo Family Life Clinic, "Rhythm Information Programs: Possibilities and Limitations."





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For release in AM's, Sunday, March 21st:

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 20 -- Mississippi has "turned the corner at long last, rejected the dead hand of the past and has begun to plan for greater human dignity for all its citizens," according to Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame.

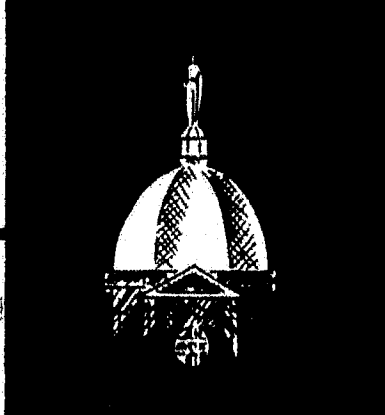
Father Hesburgh, since 1957 a member of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, said its mid-February hearings dealing with voting rights in Mississippi were in many ways "an unpleasant interlude." Much of the testimony at the Jackson hearings was "depressing," he said, but "responsible local officials went on record, often for the first time, in favor of correcting long-standing injustices."

He recalled how the Governor of Mississippi, the Attorney General, the Mayor of Jackson, the President of the State Bar Association, the President of the Chamber of Commerce, the Bishops and religious leaders of all faiths "all spoke out forcefully and plainly against discrimination in voting, against racial violence of all kinds, for better law enforcement, for better education and job opportunity."

Writing in the spring issue of NOTRE DAME, the University's quarterly feature magazine, Father Hesburgh said that more than 80 per cent of the many recommendations which the Civil Rights Commission has made to the President and the Congress over the past seven years have now been enacted into law.

Encouraging individuals, organizations and institutions to aid the Negro in his struggle for civil rights, Father Hesburgh declared: "If one doesn't do some work for those who do not yet enjoy the many blessings of America, he doesn't deserve or appreciate those blessings himself."

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

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 22 -- The University of Notre Dame will inaugurate an undergraduate major in theology next fall, it was announced today by Rev. Albert Schlitzer, C.S.C., head of the theology department.

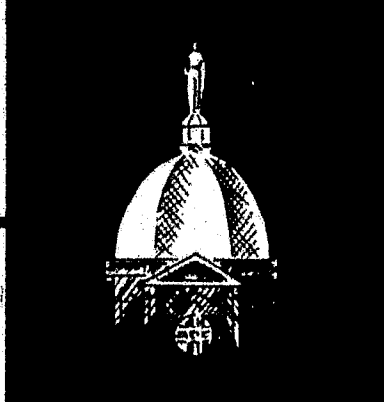
While the department has always offered "service courses" in theology to students in the University's four undergraduate colleges, it will now be possible for the first time for a lay student to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree in theology at Notre Dame, Father Schlitzer explained. He said the new sequence of studies will prepare young men for graduate work in theology, for teaching theology in colleges and universities and for "a challenging and rewarding career in the intellectual and social activities of the Church."

The core of the major sequence will consist of twenty-four credit hours in theology during the junior and senior year. Included will be special courses in Biblical and systematic theology as well as other courses structured with a view of showing Christian theology in the making, major trends in contemporary theology and the history of religions.

The undergraduate theology major, Father Schlitzer said, will give the student an appreciation of the continuity of Christian tradition and values in the history of Western culture and develop an understanding of Christian faith in the light of modern biblical research and contemporary theological thought. Creation of the new major will strengthen Notre Dame's general program in the humanities and the theology department itself, he said. "Theology must achieve its proper place among the humanities at a university if it expects to be taken seriously," he concluded.

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For release in AM's, Wednesday, March 24th:

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 23 -- The president of Chile and a leading Latin American prelate are among twelve contributors to Religion, Revolution and Reform: New Forces for Change in Latin America, a new book edited by Dr. William V. D'Antonio and Dr. Frederick B. Pike of the Notre Dame faculty.

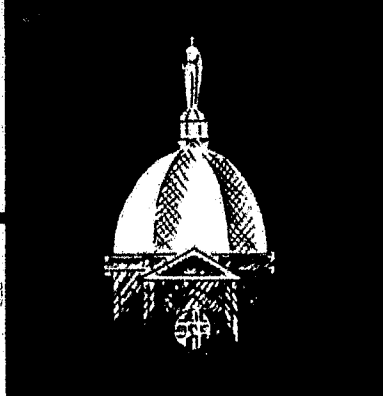
The volume emanates from a conference on "Religion and Social Change in Latin America" held at Notre Dame in April, 1963, with the support of The Rockefeller Foundation. Its collection of essays constitute a full-scale study of the relationship of religion to social change south-of-the-border.

Chilean president Eduardo Frei Montalva discusses "Paternalism, Pluralism, and Christian Democratic Reform Movements in Latin America." The Most Rev. Mark G. McGrath, C.S.C., Bishop of Santiago de Veraguas in Panama, examines "The Teaching Authority of the Church: The Situation in Latin America."

Other contributors include Profs. Robert E. Quirk, Indiana University; Arthur P. Whitaker, University of Pennsylvania; Emilio Willems, Vanderbilt University; Robert J. Alexander, Rutgers University; William P. Glade, University of Wisconsin; Rev. Roger E. Vekemans, S.J., Catholic University of Chile; Emilio Maspero, executive secretary, Latin American Congress of Christian Labor Unions; and Simon G. Hanson, Washington, D.C., economic consultant and Latin American affairs writer.

From their various points of view, the contributors study the decision facing the Church in Latin America: whether to maintain the status quo, including its traditional alliance with the upper classes, or to offer the masses more energetic and vigorous leadership than has been possible under the old paternalism.

In the book's introduction, Prof. Pike warns, "Unless Catholic social reformers are willing to come to grips with economic facts, religion will probably have little to contribute to reform in Latin America." end



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For release in AM's, Sunday, March 28th:

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 27 -- Dr. Frederick D. Rossini, dean of the College of Science at the University of Notre Dame, tonight (Saturday) was named to receive the University's highest honor, the Laetare Medal, which has been conferred annually since 1883 on an outstanding American Catholic layman. He is the second scientist to receive the coveted award and the first person to be so honored while serving on the Notre Dame faculty.

Rossini became head of Notre Dame's College of Science in 1960 after earlier associations with the Carnegie Institute of Technology and the National Bureau of Standards. He is a member of the prestigious National Academy of Sciences and recently completed a two-year term as president of Sigma Xi, the national professional society for the encouragement of scientific research. Currently he is president of The Albertus Magnus Guild, a national organization of Catholic scientists.

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, in naming Rossini as the 1965 Laetare Medalist, paid tribute to him as a scientist, educator and administrator.

"In Dean Rossini," he said, "are combined the gifted mind of a scientist, the teacher's interest in young people, and the executive ability required to coordinate educational programs and research in science at a complex university.

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"Both his public and private life exemplify the high professional competence and deep moral responsibility essential for Catholic leadership in the American community.

"Notre Dame, as it celebrates during 1965 the Centennial of Science on its campus, is particularly pleased and proud to honor Dean Rossini whose nearly forty years of dedicated service to science, higher education and government is in the finest tradition of the Laetare Medal."

The late President John F. Kennedy received the Laetare Medal at a White House ceremony in 1961. Psychiatrist Francis J. Braceland was the 1962 recipient, and Admiral George W. Anderson, then Chief of Naval Operations, was the 1963 Laetare Medalist. Poet Phyllis McGinley received the award last year. Through the years sixty-six men and seventeen women have received the Laetare Medal which, in the words of the citation of 1896, "has been worn only by men and women whose genius has ennobled the arts and sciences, illustrated the ideals of the Church and enriched the heritage of humanity."

The Laetare Medal is so named because the recipient is announced each year on Laetare Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent and an occasion of joy in the liturgy of the Church. The actual presentation takes place at a later time. The medal consists of a solid gold disc suspended from a gold bar bearing the inscription, "Laetare Medal." Inscribed in Latin in a border around the disc are the words, "Truth is mighty and will prevail." The center design of the medal and the inscription on the reverse side are fashioned differently each year according to the profession of the recipient.

Dean Rossini was born July 18, 1899, in Monongahela, Pennsylvania. He was graduated from the Carnegie Institute of Technology with a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering in 1925 and received a master of science degree there the following year. He then became a teaching fellow in chemistry at the University of California, receiving his doctorate at Berkeley in 1928.

For twenty-two years, from 1928 to 1950, Dr. Rossini was a scientist at the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., advancing from Assistant Research Chemist to Chief of the Section on Thermochemistry and Hydrocarbons. From 1950 to 1960 he served as Silliman Professor, head of the department of chemistry, and director of the Chemical and Petroleum Research Laboratory at Carnegie Tech. During this same period he was faculty advisor to the Newman Club there. Today at Notre Dame, Rossini is dean of the College of Science, associate dean of the Graduate School (for science and engineering) and chairman of the University Research Council.

The new Laetare Medalist is author or co-author of eight books and more than two hundred scientific papers, principally in the fields of thermochemistry and thermodynamics. He has lectured regularly at colleges and universities and before professional groups in this country and abroad. He has received the Hillebrand Award of the Chemical Society of Washington, the Pittsburgh Award of the American Chemical Society, the Gold Medal Exceptional Service Award of the U. S. Department of Commerce and honorary degrees from Carnegie Tech, Notre Dame, Duquesne University, Loyola University of Chicago, and Saint Francis College, Loretto, Pa.

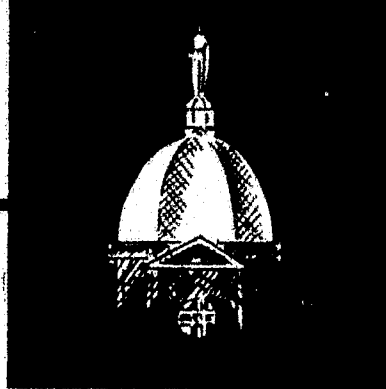
Dean Rossini was chairman of the National Research Council's Division of Chemistry and Chemical Technology from 1955 to 1958. He has regularly attended the conferences of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry and was appointed by the Department of State as head of the American delegation to the conference at Zurich in 1955. Currently Dean Rossini is serving on the Policy Advisory Board for the Argonne National Laboratory of the University of Chicago. He has also served on several advisory panels and committees of the National Science Foundation.

Rossini is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Institute of Chemists and the American Physical Society. His other professional affiliations include the American Chemical Society, the Geochemical Society, the American Society for Engineering Education, the Washington Academy of Sciences, Sigma Xi, the Philosophical Society of Washington, the Albertus Magnus Guild, the Catholic Commission on Intellectual and Cultural Affairs, the Catholic Association for International Peace, the Faraday Society and several fraternities.

Dean Rossini is married to the former Anne Kathryn Landgraff. They live at 411 N. Ironwood Drive in South Bend. Their son, Frederick Anthony, is taking graduate studies in physics at the University of California at Berkeley.

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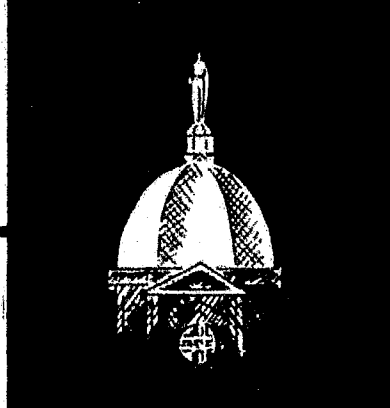
Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 28 -- Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame, will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws Degree at the annual Charter Day ceremonies of the University of California at Los Angeles April 2nd (Friday), it was announced today by Chancellor Franklin D. Murphy.

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey will be the principal speaker at the exercises which will mark the 97th anniversary of the founding of the University of California in 1868 when Governor Henry Haight signed legislation to charter the institution.

Chancellor Murphy will preside at the convocation and President Clark Kerr will deliver his annual report on the state of the University. Kerr also will introduce Vice President Humphrey and confer the honorary degrees. The ceremonies will be held at 10:15 a.m. in the outdoor Art Parterre which has a seating capacity of 17,000.

Following the exercises, a luncheon honoring Humphrey and the honorary degree recipients will be held in the grand ballroom of the Student Union under the sponsorship of the UCLA Alumni Association.

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For release in PM's, Tuesday, March 30th:

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Notre Dame, Ind., Mar. 30 -- The number of University of Notre Dame freshmen qualifying for the Dean's List after one semester has virtually doubled since the 1962-63 school year, according to Dr. William Miller Burke, dean of the Freshman Year of Studies.

Whereas 105 freshmen achieved the Dean's List during the 1962-63 academic year, there are 208 first-year students on the honor list today, Burke said. Twenty of these, he disclosed, are "straight A" students, an increase of twelve over last year. On the other hand, the number of freshmen on academic probation has dropped about 25% since 1962-63.

Dean Burke reported there are an additional two hundred freshmen who have a respectable "B" or 3.0 or better average, but who do not quite meet the Dean's List requirement of 3.25. In all, he said, 408 or 28% of Notre Dame's 1,550 freshmen have a "B" average or better.

In Dean Burke's opinion, the freshmen's academic success can be attributed to three principal factors: an active counseling program which identifies a student's areas of strength and weakness at the outset of his college career; the new, 13-story Notre Dame Memorial Library; and the use of more experienced teachers for freshman classes.

The counseling program, directed by Rev. Roman Ladewski, C.S.C., involves eight veteran faculty members for a minimum of 175 hours per week, Burke said. He explained that almost as soon as a freshman arrives at Notre Dame, he and his associates make a "grade prediction" based on the young man's high school average, College Entrance Board Examination scores, rank in high school class, principal's recommendation and orientation tests taken on the campus.

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The new Notre Dame students, he explained, are grouped into three categories: the top third of the class, a middle group who are capable of becoming much better scholastically, and those who at least potentially are in danger of failing. "We are right 70% of the time," Dean Burke said. But he stressed that Notre Dame freshman counseling is not confined to students in academic difficulty. Rather, he said, "we are in close touch with every freshman on a regular, systematic basis."

"We try to spur the superior students on to even greater achievement by enabling them to take challenging honors courses," Burke said. "We try to upgrade the average student so that he may achieve a potential he doesn't even realize he has. And in those students for whom the danger of failure in college is very real, we try to develop sound study habits, provide tutoring and, when necessary or advisable, steer to a sequence of course for which they are better suited."

The new Notre Dame library has transformed the students' study habits, Dean Burke said. With comfortable seating for some 2,900 persons and a quiet, well-lighted, air conditioned atmosphere, students flock to the new facility. There books are on open shelves, immediately accessible to the student without the intervention of a librarian. Since the library doors opened in September, 1963, library attendance has increased 400%, and book circulation is up 200%, he said.

Educators everywhere, the Notre Dame freshman dean observed, have come to recognize that some of the school's best faculty members should devote at least part of their time to the teaching of freshmen. Unfortunately, he said, it was not unusual on many campuses for a freshman to have more graduate students as instructors than full-time faculty members. At Notre Dame today, Burke reported many associate and full professors are teaching freshmen.

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He cited the Thomas Madden Award for excellence in freshman teaching as an indication of the importance which the University attaches to first-year instruction. Named for a deceased faculty member recognized for unusual effectiveness in teaching freshmen, the \$750 Madden Award has been presented at commencement-time to Dr. Emil Hofman, associate professor of chemistry, in 1963, and to Dr. Robert Christin, associate professor of English in 1964.

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