INNOVATIONS, RECORD NUMBER OF DEGREES MARK UNIVERSITY'S COMMENCEMENT

The duality of Notre Dame as an academic institution with a religious character will be evident during the 126th annual commencement exercises to be held in the Athletic and Convocation Center May 22-23. Two innovations will be associated with the Baccalaureate Mass, the first of the two major commencement events. Departing from custom, it will be an evening Mass on Saturday at 5 p.m., and, for the first time, the President of the University, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Following the Mass, he will bless the American flag, presented by the senior class, which will fly over the campus during the ensuing year. Dr. Kenneth Keniston, professor of psychiatry and director of the Behavioral Sciences Study Center at Yale University, will address the commencement convocation Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Eleven honorary degrees and approximately 1,900 graduate and undergraduate degrees will be conferred during the exercises.
Also speaking at Sunday's exercises will be senior class president James D'Aurora, Canton, Ohio.

Honorary degree recipients, in addition to Keniston, include astronaut Neil Armstrong, Federal Reserve governor Andrew Brimmer, Dr. Robert F. Chandler, Jr., of the International Rice Research Institute, Notre Dame trustee Donald M. Graham, Federal Judge Roger J. Kiley, theologian Bernard Longergan, S.J., Notre Dame's Professor Frank O'Malley, Ambrosian Library director Dr. Angelo Paredi, Professor Emeritus Ernest W. Thiele of the chemical engineering department, and Msgr. Louis-A. Vachon, rector of Laval University.

NOTRE DAME, ST. MARY'S UNIFICATION SET

An agreement providing for the unification of Notre Dame and St. Mary's College was approved by their Boards of Trustees on May 14th and signed by the chairmen and presidents of the two institutions. Its ultimate goal is "a single institution with one student body of men and women, one faculty, one president and administration, and one Board of Trustees."

Provisions of the unification agreement include the following:

Appointment of Sister Alma Peter, C.S.C., St. Mary's president, as Vice President for Special Projects at the University;

Addition of six St. Mary's trustees to the Notre Dame board, including two Holy Cross Sisters and one layman who will also be Fellows of the University;

Matriculation of all women undergraduates at Notre Dame through St. Mary's College;

Unification of the academic departments of the two institutions by September, 1971, with the rank and tenure of present St. Mary's faculty members to be honored;

Integration of administrations with reasonable effort to retain St. Mary's personnel in comparable positions in the unified structure;

Revision of the University's statutes to accord Holy Cross Sisters at Notre Dame the same status enjoyed by the priests of Holy Cross with comparable arrangements for remuneration of their services to the religious community;

Creation of interinstitutional teams to devise unification procedures in academic, student and business affairs, in public relations and development and in the legal area;

Study of the financial ramifications of unification, to be conducted principally by Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice president of Notre Dame, and Sister M. Gerald Hartney, C.S.C., Secretary of the St. Mary's Board of Trustees.

GORDON NAMED VICE PRESIDENT, SPARKS LIBRARIAN

Dr. Robert E. Gordon has been appointed to the newly-created post of Vice President for Advanced Studies at Notre Dame, and David E. Sparks will become Director of University Libraries. Both appointments are effective September 1st.

As Vice President, Gordon will be responsible for all post-baccalaureate instruction and research as well as sponsored programs, areas currently overseen by Rev. Paul Beichner, C.S.C., dean of the Graduate School, and Dr. Frederick D. Rossini, Vice President for Research and Sponsored Programs, who are retiring. Gordon joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1958, became chairman of the biology department in 1965, and was named associate dean of the College of Science in 1967.

Rev. William A. Botzum, C.S.C., associate graduate dean, has been appointed assistant vice president for graduate instruction, and Dr. Francis M. Kobayashi, continues as assistant vice president for research and sponsored programs.

Sparks will come to Notre Dame from the Yale University Library where he has been Associate Librarian for Public Services. Succeeding Rev. James W. Simonson, C.S.C., he has also been associated with the Library of Congress, the University of Vermont, the General Electric Company and the Itek Corporation. He is a specialist in Romance languages and linguistics as well as library science with degrees from Swarthmore and the Catholic University of America.
The Notre Dame's Alumni Association's highest honor, the Edward Frederick Sorin Award, was presented to Dr. Thomas P. Carney at an April 30th dinner attended by the Alumni Board and Senate. As president of the Association in 1966, Carney conceived the Alumni Senate to broaden the influence of Notre Dame graduates in the University's affairs. A member of the Board of Trustees and chairman of its student affairs committee, Carney is senior vice president for research and development of G. D. Searle and Company, Chicago pharmaceutical firm.

LIST NEWLY PUBLISHED BOOKS

Four Notre Dame faculty members are associated with books just off the press. Rev. Edward D. O'Connor, C.S.C., associate professor of theology, is the author of The Pentecostal Movement in the Catholic Church. Two additional volumes in the "History of Western Philosophy Series" have been completed by Dr. A. Robert Caponigri, professor of philosophy. Dr. Julian Samore, professor of sociology, is the author of Los Mojados: The Wetback Story. The head of the Institute for International Studies, Prof. Stephen Kertesz, is the editor of The Task of Universities in a Changing World.

HONOR RETIRING, PROMOTED FACULTY MEMBERS

The designation of eleven veteran faculty members as emeriti and the promotion of eight others to the rank of professor were announced at the President's Dinner May 8th.

Advanced to emeritus after many years of service to the University are Charles E. Brambel, chemistry; Milton Burton, Radiation Laboratory; LeClair H. Bells, finance; Christopher J. Fagan and Rev. Mark J. Fitzgerald, C.S.C., economics; Rev. Joseph N. Garvin, C.S.C., Medieval Institute; James A. McCarthy, civil engineering, Reginald A. Neuwien, Institute for Studies in Education; Daniel H. Peetke, music; Edward R. Quinn, Freshman Year of Studies; and Victor A. Schaefer, Memorial Library.

Elevated to the rank of professor are Rudolph S. Bottei, chemistry; Donald P. Costello, English; Robert S. Eikenberry, aerospace and mechanical engineering; Emerson G. Funk, Jr., physics; Yusaku Furuhashi, marketing; Rev. Aidan Kavanagh, O.S.B., theology; Stuart T. McComas, aerospace and mechanical engineering; and Kenneth M. Sayre, philosophy.

ST. MARY'S COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS NAMED

Margaret Hickey, public affairs editor of LADIES' HOME JOURNAL, will be the commencement speaker, and Rev. Daniel P. Coughlin, a member of the Chicago Archdiocesan Liturgical Commission, will preach the baccalaureate sermon at the commencement exercises of St. Mary's College May 22. Approximately 285 degrees will be conferred during the exercises in O'Laughlin Auditorium.

At the College's recent Faculty Dinner, the Spes Unica Award was presented to Sister Maria Concepta McDermott, C.S.C. Faculty promotions announced included that of Dr. Richard C. Pilger, Jr., to professor of chemistry.

THE UNIVERSITY-AT-LARGE

Richard Phelps, formerly of Fordham University, has been named head basketball coach at Notre Dame, succeeding Johnny Dee who resigned to resume his law practice in Denver.

During the month of April the University received research grants totaling $228,532, including a $30,500 award supporting the Greene Herbarium Botanical Collection.

The Notre Dame Glee Club will leave New York May 25th on its first European concert tour. Its itinerary includes cities in Holland, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Italy, France and Switzerland. The group will return to the U.S. June 14th.

James W. Frick, vice president for public relations and development, has been named "Notre Dame Man of the Year" by the alumni club of the Saint Joseph Valley.

In recent balloting five members of the University administration were elected to the Student Life Council. They are Philip Faccenda, Robert Waddick, Revs. James Shilts, Robert Austgen and James Flanigan.

Professor emeritus Henry Hare Carter has been
elected a corresponding member of the Brazilian Academy of Philology, Rio Janeiro.

Dr. Frederick W. Dow, Hayes-Healy professor of marketing, joined a Stanford University Research Institute team in a series of management seminars earlier this month in Manila, Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur and Singapore.

The Notre Dame Credit Union reports a membership of 3,200 and assets exceeding $3 million. Prof. James P. Danehy is president of the organization which is observing its 30th anniversary.

Dr. William G. Storey, associate professor of theology, is the recipient of the $1,000 Father Charles E. Sheedy Award for excellence in teaching in the College of Arts and Letters.


James E. Murphy, assistant vice president - public relations and development, has been appointed information services chairman of a School for Educational Administrators to be held in Washington July 18-19 under the auspices of the American College Public Relations Association.

Dr. Paul R. Messbarger has been elected chairman of the St. Mary's College Faculty Assembly for 1971-72. Profs. Donald E. Miller and Robert W. Lappin will be vice chairman and secretary respectively.

Dr. Victor W. Nee will deliver a paper and preside at the aerodynamics session at the ninth International Symposium on Space Technology and Science in Tokyo May 17-22.

Research being conducted by Dr. Thomas Fehlner is among three programs mentioned in the chemistry section of the National Science Foundation's annual report for 1970.

Rev. Michael Murphy, C.S.C., chairman of the geology department, has been elected president of the East-Central Section of the National Association of Geology Teachers for the coming year.

Dr. Morris Pollard and six other scientists associated with the Lodbund Laboratory presented papers at the 71st annual meeting of the American Society for Microbiology in Minneapolis in early May.

"Shake Up the Echoes" the 25-minute film about Notre Dame produced by NBC's "First Tuesday" program, is available to alumni groups & other organizations by contacting James V. Gibbons, Director of Special Projects at Notre Dame, Indiana.

A series of 3 Peter C. Reilly lectures were delivered at Notre Dame in early May by Dr. L. Edward Scriven, professor of chemical engineering at the University of Minnesota.

Richard D. Willemink, director of placement, recently participated in programs for placement directors organized by Proctor and Gamble and the General Electric Company.

The first Paul E. Neville Awards for exceptional contributions to campus publications have been presented to editor-in-chief Glen Corso and sports editor Terrence Eields of THE OBSERVER. The late Mr. Neville had served as executive editor of the BUFFALO EVENING NEWS and as managing editor of the SOUTH BEND TRIBUNE.

Prof. Milton Burton, director of the Radiation Laboratory, chided amateur environmentalists in a recent Society of Sigma Xi lecture entitled "The Immorality of Ignorance."

The Department of Accountancy recently received word that 8 of its recent graduates passed the national Uniform Certified Public Accountants Examination in their respective states. Robert E. Hinchey, '67, received a silver medal for ranking 2nd among 450 examinees in Illinois.

One of the Environmental Protection Agency's first grants has been made to Prof. Teeman Ariman for research on "Collection of Dust in an Electric Field."

Louis A. Patschmann, an instructor in German, has been awarded a National Science Foundation grant to participate in an institute, "Linguistics: Focus for Intellectual Integration," at the State University of New York at Buffalo during July and August.

For the fifth year, the American College Public Relations Association will hold its Summer Academy at the Center for Continuity Education on August 1-6.