

try. BS Zoology tops all other Liberal Arts departments with an enrollment of 88 students.

● Scholar Back from Advance Studies

Engr. Victorino Gonzales, the first product of the USC College of Engineering who captured fifth place in the 1949 board examinations, recently returned from the United States where he took up and completed his Master's course in Hydraulics at Stanford University.

Graduate School

● Three Complete Graduate Studies

Three students were graduated from the Graduate School last March, according to a report released by Rev. R. Rahmann, Dean of the Graduate School.

The report disclosed that Miss Trinidad P. Dosdos was awarded her Master's degree in English. Her thesis was "The Characteristic Features of the Short story with Special Reference to the Post-War Prize Stories of the Philippines' Free Press, 1949-1951."

Awarded their master's degree in Education were Miss Concepcion F. Rodil whose thesis was "The Influence of the Spanish language upon the Cebuano-Visayan Language and the Effect of This Influence upon the Learning of the Spanish language by the Cebuano-Speaking Students," and Miss Tecla Revilla who wrote on "A Study of the Difficulties of Student Teachers in the Cebu Normal School and of Beginning Teachers in the Province of Cebu as a Basis for the Improvement of Elementary Teacher Education."

A total of six finalists vied for honors in the competition with NP Presidential candidate Ramon Mag-saysay as main speaker and guest.

Bugarin's winning piece which appears in this issue, is entitled "Let's Be Honest About It." Other winners were Noli Cortel, also a



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Law

● Review Classes in Full Swing

The review course offered by USC for bar candidates went into full swing with the start of the summer quarter, it was reliably learned from the Office of the Dean, College of Law. It was likewise revealed that the professors who handled the review course last year are conducting this year's review.

"If chances do not miscarry," it is being bruted about that the new crop of law graduates will make a better showing than the candidates last year.

● Bugarin Wins Gold Medal in Annual Oratorical Tilt

Dito Bugarin, a be-spectacled freshman from the College of Law, won first place in the annual oratorical contest which was sponsored by the Lex Circle last March.

freshman who copped second place and Vic Dellin, Lex Circle prexy who took the third place.

College of Liberal Arts

● Increase in Summer Enrollment Noted

An increase in the enrollment for the 1953 summer quarter has been noted in the College of Liberal Arts, it was gathered from the Office of Rev. Enrique Schoenig, Dean of the Department.

This was considered significant in view of the reported slump in enrollment for the current summer term which has been felt in various schools all over the country.

A total of 171 students in comparison with 155 as of last year are presently attending summer classes in Pre-Medicine, Pre-Law, General Course, BS Zoology and BS Chemis-

try. Engr. Victorino Gonzales was sent to the United States by virtue of his Fulbright and Smith-Mundt scholarships. He was away for one year.

In USC, where he is a member of the faculty of the College of Engineering, he will handle hydraulics this June.

Engineering

● Open Night Classes in Eng'g. Dept.

In a move designed to accommodate working students who desire to enroll in the College of Engineering, the University of San Carlos will offer night classes in Architecture, Mechanical, Civil and Electrical Engineering from the first to the senior year.

The night course outlined by Dean Jose A. Rodriguez which is in consonance with administrative poli-

cies. will be conducted daily from 5:30—9:30 p.m. inclusive. Dean Rodriguez underscored the ample opportunity given to working students by this new policy.

"Students taking the ROTC course will have little trouble except those taking surveying which is undertaken every Saturday morning," Rodriguez averred.

Hopes were expressed in administration quarters that the plan will result in increased enrolment in the College of Engineering.

Pharmacy

● *Partial Shipment of New Equipment Arriving*

Fr. Oster, SVD, who is expected to arrive shortly this week from Germany will bring one-half of the P1,000-equipment which the university ordered last year. The shipment consists of pharmaceutical manufacturing instruments which will be utilized to make assorted varieties of drugs, tablets and ointments from local materials.

The rest of the imported laboratory materials is expected to arrive to this university with the return of Rev. Fr. Albert van Gansewinkel from Europe.

● *Conduct First Review Course in Pharmacy*

In a recent announcement issued by the Regent of the College of Pharmacy, it was learned that review classes are being conducted daily from two o'clock to four o'clock in the afternoon in preparation for the Board Examinations which will be given early next year.

The same announcement indicated that the university has, as yet, no standing policy with reference to graduating students who desire to review in other schools. At the same time it was disclosed by Rev. Fr. Hoepfener, SVD, that none of the new graduates took their review course in Manila. It was also announced that 23 of the 27 new graduates in the College of Pharmacy are presently taking their review in this university.

● *Fear Pharmacy Best Bets' Disqualification from Board Exams*

Grave concern over the impending disqualification of two top-notch graduates to take the board tests



in view of their Chinese citizenship was expressed by members of the faculty and the Regent of the College of Pharmacy.

It was stated that Edna Lim and Jovita Dy, two of the four new graduates with Chinese citizenship and who are rated as this year's best bets for the coming examinations may be refused admission in line with established policies and rulings laid down by highly-placed authorities. The disqualification of USC's top-ranked candidates will mean a slim chance for the university to place in the examinations among the first ten, it was stated further.

It may be recalled that the same ruling constrained the Board of Examiners to withhold the examination papers of Basilia Lim, one of USC's highly-rated candidates for the board last year.

● *USC Secretary-General and Pharmacy Regent Back from West Visayas Trip*

In a combined vacation tour and comparative survey, Rev. Francis Carda, SVD, USC Secretary General, and Rev. Robert Hoepfener, Regent of the College of Pharmacy, sailed early last week for Iloilo and Bacolod.

Fr. Hoepfener, in an interview, was particularly impressed by the wide school campus of the University of San Agustin. He also observed that there are more Catholic institutions in Iloilo than in Cebu. While in Bacolod, Father Hoepfener said that he had occasion to visit the Occidental Negros Institute which, although owned by a layman, is employing a full-time Catholic chaplain. The school, he explained, is non-sectarian but caters to the demands of Catholic students.

A new technical school called the Don Basco Institute is operated by Italian Fathers in Victorias, Negros Occidental. Fr. Hoepfener expressed the belief that the DBI will

eventually expand because the Italian Fathers operating it are known in the States and Europe for their efficiency in maintaining technical schools.

Religion

● *Afternoon Masses for Philippines*

In an Encyclical Letter of Pope Pius XII, officially termed as Constitution for the Entire Catholic world, dated January 6, 1953, afternoon masses are allowed in the Philippines beginning this year.

In that Encyclical mentioned above, the Holy Father gives permission to celebrate afternoon masses on the following days!

1. Feast Days of Obligation
2. Formal Feast Days of Obligation
3. First Fridays
4. On any one regular day during the week if necessity requires.

There are a number of conditions under which afternoon masses can be celebrated. In all cases, the Archbishop or the Bishop, as the case may be, must give his consent. (As far as Cebu Archdiocese is concerned, our Archbishop has already given permission to celebrate afternoon masses to the priests of the Archdiocese). Those who receive Holy Communion should abstain from solid food and alcohol three hours before the mass which gives the communion. Abstinence from liquid should be had at least one hour before communion.

● *USC Chapel To Celebrate PM Masses*

On first Fridays of month and on feast days not observed by the Government, afternoon masses will be held at the USC chapel. This is to give an opportunity for working students to receive the monthly sacrament of communion.

According to Rev. Fr. Schoenig, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, masses will probably be said between five and six o'clock in the evening.

The permission to celebrate afternoon masses was formerly granted only as a privilege to particular countries. Now, however, the Holy Father has extended the permission to the entire Catholic world.