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SPRING ON THE CAMPUS looks about the same as it always did, except that there are new buildings, new faces in the classrooms and on the lawns. In the background is Loyola Hall, housing most of the college classrooms, the library and educational offices.

First Edition of the Round-Up To Reach 1800 Alums

To make up a mailing list for this edition of the Regis Roundup took nearly a hundred hours of work. Seem strange? Well, it did. We started with a basis of over 3,000 names. These names were taken from the roster of the Registrar's Office, and represented the names and addresses of students when they attended school here. It required nearly 100 hours to check these addresses against phone books and city directories all over the country to insure that the addresses were current and accurate. From the original list of 3,000, we were able to cull 1,800 names and accurate addresses. We know that a lot were missed, and we are continuing to check those.

You may be interested in the fact that the names we did uncover represent former Regis students who attended school here from the years 1907 to 1954. They came from 31 different states, Cuba, Mexico and Canada.

This first issue will go to 1,065 Denver residents and 261 in other parts of the state of Colorado.

Thirty-three ex-Regis men in Missouri will get copies, as will 53 in Illinois. Thirteen in Washington, D. C., and 38 in Wisconsin will see this first edition. So will 62 in Nebraska, 10 in Texas, 1 in Cuba, 1 in Canada and 2 from Mexico. So you see, when we called the paper the Roundup it was a literal choice.

New Booklet to Tell The Regis Story

The college is preparing a new illustrated booklet titled "From the President's Desk," which will be published early in June. The booklet will describe in general terms the functions, activities and advantages of Regis, and will be distributed to businessmen and others in the area to give them a better idea of the school and its aims. Present plans are that it will be off the presses on June 1.

Each of the alumni will be sent copies of the pamphlet. We think you'll enjoy it.

General 'Rosie' O'Donnell to Be Regis Commencement Speaker

The Very Rev. Richard F. Ryan, S.J., president of Regis College, announced today that Lt. Gen. Emmett (Rosie) O'Donnell, air force deputy chief of staff for personnel, will be the commencement speaker at the Regis College graduation exercises Sunday, May 29, at Phipps Auditorium.

Fr. Ryan said, "We are most pleased that Gen. O'Donnell was able to accept our invitation. Regis College has had a long and pleasant association with the air force. More than 700 air force students attended Regis during the war years. We have worked closely with the education office at Lowry Air Base in furnishing our professors to teach classes at Lowry. But Regis, an institution that has been a part of the educational picture of the Rocky Mountain area for so many years, is most pleased to welcome Gen. O'Donnell at a time when the Air Force Academy will become the newest addition to the educational facilities located in Colorado. I am sure that Gen. O'Donnell's talk will be most interesting and valuable to our graduates and friends."

Gen. O'Donnell has had a long association with the field of education. He is the son of a former speech and drama teacher in the Brooklyn public school system. He was one of the youngest graduates of the United States Military Academy. Later he returned to

West Point to serve as assistant football coach. The general now has three sons who attend Catholic schools.

At 49, Gen. O'Donnell is one of the youngest men in the service to hold the rank of lieutenant general. His posts have been many and varied.

He first became well known to the general public as a hero in the battle of the Philippines. Then he was the commander of the B-29 squadron which flew the first land-based attack on Tokyo. Later he was made director of information of the air force. He is familiar to Denver and Colorado residents as the former commanding general of the 15th Air Force, whose headquarters were located at Colorado Springs.

Gen. O'Donnell will fly to Denver from his office at the Pentagon in Washington especially for the graduation ceremonies.

Forty-eight seniors will be graduated by Regis College this spring at day-long ceremonies that will be attended by many church and civil dignitaries.



The First Edition

In a tradition almost as hallowed as never getting "scooped," it is customary for a paper to put forth a series of purposes, promises and beliefs as its first editorial. We have no intention of violating that tradition, even though the Regis Roundup has been published at various times. Here is what we have in mind:

The **Regis Roundup** will be published six times per year under the present plan. Later we hope to publish the paper more frequently. It is the goal of the paper to keep the alumni in closer touch with the school, and the school in closer touch with the alumni.

Fr. Ryan and the members of the faculty are interested in what **you** are doing now, and what you have been doing since you left school. And we think you are interested in what has been going on on the campus and in what your classmates have been doing.

People move far and fast after leaving school, especially when most of them are subject to military service. They get married, they have families, they get new jobs, they enter politics, they move from city to city, and they die. We hope to be able to report these activities.

In that connection, we need your help. We want to hear from each of you on the mailing list. What are you doing now? The rest of your gang will be interested in hearing about it. And how about the fellows you still have contact with? Will you drop us a line to tell us about them? If you will, we will be more than glad to print it.

Of course, we hope that you will enjoy the latest edition of the Regis Roundup, and will look forward to receiving each issue. If you have any suggestions as to what you'd like to see included in these pages in the future, let us know that, too. In fact, we'd just like to hear from you.

New Emblem for Regis

The Regis Student Government Association voted unanimous approval recently to a motion by the sophomore class that the horse and rider emblem of the school be changed.

The new emblem will be chosen from entries received from students, alumni and professional cartoonists. Walt Disney; Al Capp, creator of L'il Abner, and Walt Kelly, creator of Pogo, have been asked to submit ideas for the new design.

The Student Government Association especially welcomes ideas for the new emblem from members of the alumni around the country. With their closer knowledge of the aims and activities of the college, the alumni are likely to submit ideas more consistent with the traditions of Regis.

Among reasons outlined for the change were the desire for a more original design, one more representative of the aims and achievements of the school.

The S. G. A. plans to have the new emblem engraved on stationery, banners, etc., by the start of the fall '55 term.

Sketched entries or ideas for a new emblem may be submitted to Regis College Student Government Association, Regis College, Denver 11, Colorado.

Do You Have a New Address of a Regis Man?

We know that many former Regis men have moved recently. If you have friends and former classmates who you think may not be on our mailing list to receive the Roundup, will you send us their names?

Regis Roundup,
Regis College,
Denver, Colorado

Please add the following names to the Roundup mailing list:

Name _____

Address _____

City and State _____



NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS of the Regis Club board of directors. Back row: Dud Taylor, M. J. Sunderland, Bob Carroll, Paul Cella. Front row: Jerry Coursey, Tom Waters and Tom Kavanaugh.

Spring Frolic at Wolhurst May 20

The Spring Frolic, to be held at the Wolhurst Saddle Club in Littleton on May 20, will ring down the curtain on the Regis Club's first year of formal operation. This social event, under the chairmanship of Tom Waters, is the last of three activities sponsored by the club, and as with the Homecoming and Regis Bazaar enterprises, proceeds will be directed into the club's treasury. A most favorable financial arrangement has been concluded by Mr. Waters with the management of Wolhurst, and a large turnout is expected. Tickets are priced at \$2.00 per couple and may be obtained by contacting Jack Sherlock, Regis Publicity Director, at the college; Ted Fonk of the Colorado Lace Cleaning Co., 4100 Federal; Bob Griffith, Griffith Motors, North Speer Blvd.; Jerry Galligan or Dick Foley, Majestic Bldg.; Tom Kavanaugh, Central Savings and Trust Co.; Dan Harnett, Kumpf Motors; Tom Waters, Sherman Plaza Garage, or any member of the organization.

During the past year the Regis Club has attained the goals set by its membership with the providing of two scholarships. Regis alumni and friends to the number of some 150 have responded with their annual dues of \$12 or through the Buck-A-Month plan to insure that needy and deserving students shall be given the benefits of a sound Catholic education.

During the past year the Regis Club, an organization of alumni and friends, joined together in a mutual effort to (1) provide scholarships for needy and deserving students who are desirous of obtaining a Catholic education; (2) to assist the president of Regis in every endeavor to expand the facilities and influence of the institution and to insure that he has the outside support so necessary to maintenance of a private school. Meetings for this organization

are held monthly on the second Monday at De Smet Hall on the campus at 8:00 p. m. The next session will be on May 8, at which time the newly elected officers will preside.

Regis Graduation Schedule Given

The program for the Regis College graduation has been announced with two new innovations this year. When the ceremonies take place for the class of '55 they will begin in the afternoon instead of in the morning, as in the past. Ceremonies are scheduled for Sunday, May 29, 1955. They will start with the Baccalaureate Mass, celebrated by the Very Rev. Richard F. Ryan, president of the college, at 4 p. m. in the student chapel. This is the first time the ceremonies have utilized the privilege of an afternoon Mass.

Following the academic procession and Mass, a buffet supper will be held out of doors for the graduates and their families and friends. It will be the first time such a supper has been held. The purpose of the buffet is to give relatives of the graduates a chance to meet the members of the faculty.

Following the activities on the campus, the scene will shift to Phipps Auditorium, where the diplomas will be presented by Archbishop Vehr, and the commencement address delivered by Gen. Emmett O'Donnell.

The time schedule for the exercises is as follows:

Baccalaureate Mass, 4 p. m.

Buffet supper, 4:45 to 6 p. m.

Graduation ceremonies, 8:15 p. m.

Regis alumni and their friends are invited to the graduation ceremonies at Phipps Auditorium.

"The Coach's Corner"

By Harvey Moore

The 1954-55 basketball season was a tough one, since the Regis five, a young and inexperienced team, was pitted against outstanding experienced teams from all over the country. Regis did not



HARVEY MOORE

really get started until about mid-season, then it won its last nine games, before losing to Western Illinois, the top seeded team, at the NAIA Tournament in Kansas City.

With every player returning next year, the team, after a year's work together, should be much improved. This year the team consisted of two juniors, three sophomores and five freshmen.

I was very fortunate in having one of the best centers in college basketball, Mickey Shannon, on the squad this year. Shannon broke practically every record in the history of Regis basketball in the course of the season. He scored 570 points to break the season record.

He broke the record in free throws for both his season, and his career. Then he broke the points per game record with a season average of 20.3. Shannon was also honored by being selected for the Jesuit All-American team for 1955.

Our Rangers won the NAIA District 7 championship and represented the district in the tournament at Kansas City in March. There we played Western Illinois, the No. 1 team, and were eliminated in a close contest.

This was the first year a Regis College team has traveled by air. We flew approximately 12,000 miles, over 13 different states.

Next year's schedule is not completed as yet, but by present indications should be even better than this year's.

The future of basketball at Regis is bright indeed, with new material coming in, and experience tying the present group together even more tightly. We can expect some top flight games next year. With the wholehearted backing of the alumni at the games in Denver and especially on the road, the Rangers should really go places in '56.

Nine Regis Grads Enter City Election

Nine outstanding Regis alumni have entered the city elections to be held in Denver May 17. They include one candidate for mayor, one each for city auditor and city commissioner, and six for the various city council districts.

Ernest P. Marranzino, class of '38, has announced his candidacy for mayor. "Ernie," now 39 and the father of four children, has served for eight years as city councilman, succeeding his father to that position. He is the brother of Pasqual "Pocky" Marranzino, class of '40, who is now a columnist for the Rocky Mountain News in Denver. Ernie's principal opposition will be Denver District Attorney Bert Keating and State Senator Will Nicholson, in a race being closely watched in Colorado political circles.

Frank Gartland, who attended Regis in 1908-09, has entered the race for city auditor. Frank now holds a position in the Denver city auditor's office.

Thomas R. Ryan, a Regis man in 1925-26, has filed for the office of City Election Commissioner. Tom, now 56 and a well-known attorney in the Denver area, has been active in civic affairs for many years.

Louis Paul Weadick, who attended Regis from '48 to '50 and took his Degree in Law from Westminster, is a candidate for city councilman from District 3. Paul is 36, the father of four children.

James D. Urso, who attended Regis in '41 and '42, has filed for City Councilman from District 3, also.

Paul R. Horan, class of '27, has announced for City Councilman from District 5. Paul is now a funeral director, is 50 years old, and the father of a boy now attending Regis High School. Paul has been District Deputy of the Denver K. of C., and is an active member of the Denver Catholic Charities.

Paul P. Vinnola, who was at Regis in '47 and '49, has become a candidate for councilman from the ninth district, as has **Ernie Capillupo**, who attended from '30 to '34. Paul is 32 years old, and the father of five children. Ernie is owner of Ernie's Supper Club.

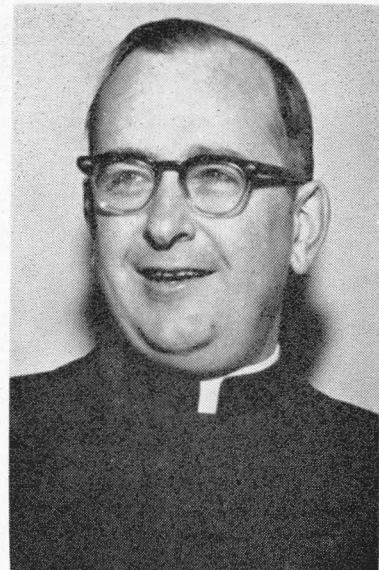
Roland L. "Sonny" Mapelli, a '39 graduate of the high school, has announced for city councilman from District 1. "Sonny" is owner of the Capri restaurant and part owner of a construction company.

Regis '55 Enrollment Highest in History

Regis enrollment for '54-'55 is the highest in history. It increased by 5 per cent from the Fall to the Spring semester, with the total now standing at 560 day students and 180 night students, for a combined total of 740.

Applications for next year show the enrollment will be even larger in '55-'56. The out-of-state quota has been topped already, but applications are still being accepted from Denver residents.

Of the 560 day students, 220 now live in Carroll Hall, 50 from outside Denver reside in private homes, and 290 Denver natives live with their families throughout the city.



RICHARD F. RYAN, S.J.

Dear Regis Alumni:

In this, the first issue of the new Alumni Publication, I take pleasure in expressing to you individually and on behalf of Regis my pride in your worthy accomplishments while you were undergraduates and now that you are engaged in business activities. I want you to know that we who remain behind at Regis are vitally interested in you and your accomplishments.

The reputation of a college, as you all know, is built upon the quality of its students and alumni. We at Regis are happy that our reputation has a firm foundation of its former students and those presently in attendance. It is our intention to see that this reputation is further enhanced. We hope that this publication will serve to keep you informed of the activities of Regis College and of her alumni and friends. We will be most happy to hear from any or all of you at any time. We know that you will want to keep posted on the progress and development of the college through the years. With the hope that all your activities may be blessed, and that you have been happy and successful in the years since leaving Regis, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

RICHARD F. RYAN, S.J.,
President

Latest Faculty Addition Noted Lecturer and Traveler

The latest addition to the Regis College faculty, Miss Anne Laughlin, has had a distinguished career on the lecture platform and in foreign service. She was the chief of mission of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Fund in Bulgaria for a period of two years. There she supervised the distribution of food to the children behind the iron curtain. She was the only American in the country after the United States broke diplomatic relations with the red-dominated country.

Prior to her assignment in Bulgaria, Miss Laughlin was stationed in Ethiopia, in Belgium and in Holland. She began her career in government service as the regional director of the National Youth Administration.

Since she came to the staff of Regis College in early March of this year, most of her work has been lecturing to various civic, cultural and religious groups in the region. To date she has given a total of 25 talks to separate

groups in Denver, Boulder, Ft. Collins, Brighton and Sterling. She estimates that she has spoken to nearly 5,000 people in these talks. In addition, Miss Laughlin is in demand as a guest on radio and television programs in the area. Her knowledge of the workings of the Communists and of conditions under Communist domination has a wide appeal to everyone.

Miss Laughlin will begin a regular teaching schedule in the Regis College department of sociology with the summer semester beginning in June. However, her teaching will not prevent her from continuing her lecture work. She has already accepted speaking dates as far in advance as next December.

Capt. John McCafferty, Regis '50, now a captain in the air force, was a campus visitor en route from Tinker Air Force Base to a new assignment in Japan, as a radar specialist.



DAVE HOENE
Assistant to the President

Duties of Assistant to President Are Outlined

For those alumni who may be wondering what goes on in the office of the Assistant to the President, here is a brief resume of some of the activities:

1. Assist with the preparation of an over-all campus development plan.
2. Assist with publicity and promotion.
3. Handle and arrange for such things as the Fund for the Republic Survey on Academic Freedom.
4. Meet with various groups and organizations in order to disseminate information about the growth of Regis College and lend any and all assistance possible to the President, Father Ryan.

One project of vital interest is a survey of the enrollment potential of Regis College divided into local, state-wide and out-of-state phases.

Many of you may be unaware that there is a trend toward increased college enrollment which is nation-wide. This trend is based upon two situations: first, there is a tremendous increase in population which has resulted in more high school graduates each year, and this rate is increasing until in 1975 there will be at least 75 percent more high school graduates than in 1955. Coupled with this huge growth is the fact that over the past 50 years there has been a 30 percent increase in the number of high school graduates who go on to college. This percentage continues to grow year by year, and it is safe to assume that the figure may reach 40 percent by 1975.

Conclusions to be drawn from this survey are many. The primary one, which is of immediate concern to all friends and associates of Regis, is that with the present facilities of the college taxed to the utmost, plans must be completed post-haste for the expansion of the college. It is hoped that the alumni and friends of Regis will take a vital interest in this program and will lend advice and assistance readily.

About Regis Alumni . . .

Each issue of the Roundup will print items of interest to the alums about the alums. We'd like to hear from you . . . drop us a note and tell us what you're doing. The address: The Regis Roundup, Regis College, Denver, Colorado.

Paul Huber ('50) (B.S. in Chem.), employed in the Denver Research Laboratories of Shell Development Co. at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal site, has recently received word of promotion to the company's New York offices.

John Sottong, '54, writes from the Mediterranean that he is now in navy blues aboard the U. S. carrier *Carol Sea*. A recent visit to his home in Tulsa, Okla., brought him in contact with **William Henry** ('54), **Vincent "Mickey" Kelly** ('52) and **Joe Patrick** ('54).

Dr. Francis A. Jacobs ('39), Professor of Biochemistry at North Dakota Medical School, Grand Forks, N. Dak., and his wife, Dorothy, were visitors on the campus Saturday, April 16. Francis received his Ph.D. in Biochemistry at St. Louis University in 1949.

Ralph G. Verdieck, Ph.D. (Chem. '38), head of the Division of Chemistry of the Foote Mineral Company of Philadelphia, was a campus visitor immediately before Easter. With the emphasis on lithium production for government needs, Ralph's company has seen rapid development.

Fred Geier ('33) has recently transferred from the laboratories of the Federal Bureau of Reclamation to take a position in the Denver laboratories of the Exploration Division of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Chinia Abegg, Regis '47, the Regis Roundup printer, is a pop again. This one is number 9. It's a boy, born April 18, 1955.

Father Ryan, Regis president, recently met **Joseph T. Geuting, Jr.**, Regis grad, awarded the Knight of Malta award and honored as a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre. Joe is now a member of the Board of Trustees of Georgetown University.

Ensign Eugene Hartnagle, Regis '51, has been transferred from the Naval Training Station at Pensacola to the Pacific, where he is attached to an aircraft carrier.

John Nazy, Regis '54, has recently received word from the National Science Foundation that he will receive a renewal of the scholarship won in national competition while at Regis.

Tom Budinger, Regis '54, is now attending the University of Washington. He has recently exchanged his teaching assistantship in Biochemistry for one in Geochemical Oceanography.

While in Washington, D. C., Regis President **Fr. Richard Ryan** met **Dr. Daniel J. Pflaum**, who is now Director of the Division of

Information and Material for the AEC. Other Regis men in attendance were the **Rev. Louis G. Mattione**, Dean; **Dr. Gilbert Castellan**, class of '45; **Kenneth V. Zahn**, class of '34, and **Adrian Maguire**, class of '29.

William Levings, Regis '13, teaching Math at School of Mines. **Arnold S. Bunte**, Regis '22, teaching Geology Petroleum Engineering at School of Mines.

John P. Hagan, Regis graduate '27-'31, is Vice President of the Valley National Bank in Tucson, Ariz.

Three former Regis men attended the Jesuit Dinner in Washington, D. C.: **Gilbert Castellan**, '42-'45; **Fred Zahn**, '34, and **Adrian Maguire**, '23-'29.

Regis Alumni Deaths

JOHN J. Weber, Regis '23, died in Denver, March 22, 1955. Fr. B. J. Murray, S.J., his one-time teacher and athletic coach, preached his funeral sermon.

John C. Hayden, Regis '24, of Los Alamos, N. Mex., died April 19, 1955. He was buried from St. Philomena's Church, Denver.

Dr. Herbert D. Rothwell, Regis '18, died April 15, 1955, in Honolulu, where he had practiced medicine for many years. He was the brother of Dr. William Rothwell, Regis High School '18, who practices medicine in Denver.

Rev. Clarence F. Whitford, S.J., Regis '18, died at Marquette U. in early February. Fr. Whitford was a professor of Philosophy and Religion.

Recent campus visitor, **Rev. Joseph P. Donnelly**, S.J., former Regis History professor, '40 to '44, is now Librarian at St. Louis University, engaged in Micro-Filming the Vatican Library, as reported by Time Magazine. He stopped off to check the Regis Library for rare books to include in his work and also to visit with his former colleagues.

Joe Gentili, Regis '51, finishes Dentistry this summer.

Two former Regis men, **Dr. Paul Pfarr**, '51, and **Dr. Louis Hall**, '49, are now interning in Denver.

Joseph Torres, '52, former Student Council prexy, has finished a year of John H. Whitney Fellowship at St. Louis University in Social Work. He is now finishing his novitiate in the Jesuit Seminary at Florissant.

Gene Dennis Daly, '52, former Glee Club Director, recently directed the Jesuit Seminary Choir at Florissant for the Holy Week Services.

Paul Lucero, '56, former intramural tennis champ, now in the navy in the Pacific, still gets in an occasional tennis set under Hawaiian sun.

John A. Flanagan, Regis '47, is the proud papa of his first male offspring, said offspring being the brother of two young sisters. No. 3 was born April 4 and was named, of course, John Anthony Flanagan, Jr. John Sr. is now professor of psychology in the college and also finds time to coach the baseball team and teach some phys ed classes.

Father Ryan, while at the naval maneuvers at Pansacola recently, met **Tom Blind**, '50 graduate of the high school, who is now a naval cadet after three years at Notre Dame. Tom's brother, **Robert Blind**, attended the college in '47 and '48.

Vince Dwyer, Regis '43, recently participated in naval maneuvers at Pansacola, Fla., in company with Father Ryan and a large group of Colorado civic leaders. Vince, whose son now attends Regis High, is present managing editor of the Rocky Mountain News in Denver.

New Fraternity To Regis Campus

A new chapter of Theta Kappa Phi, national Catholic fraternity, will appear on the Regis campus in the fall of '55. The frat hopes to gain national affiliation by the spring of '56, thus taking its place with Alpha Delta Gamma, Alpha Kappa Psi and Rho Chi Sigma to make it the fourth nationally affiliated frat at Regis.

In keeping with the national fraternity rules, the new chapter will choose several outstanding alumni as honorary members to guide the members to their goals. These honorary members will be chosen this fall, prior to the pledge period, scheduled to begin during the first semester of the '55-'56 year.

Theta Kappa Phi, composed of 38 chapters made up of about 6,000 members in 13 states, has as its goals the encouragement of attaining high scholastic standards, the bringing of students into a brotherly relationship, and the promotion of the spirit of good fellowship.

The fraternity will engage in activities both individually and with other frats and organizations. Its formation is another outstanding example of the rebirth of student activity at Regis much in need of the support of an enthusiastic and helpful alumni.