

# COLLEGE MISERICORDIA

DALLAS, PENNSYLVANIA

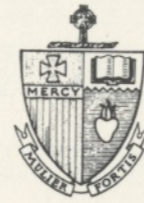
## COMMENCEMENT CONVOCATION



College Campus

Saturday afternoon, May seventeenth

*nineteen hundred and seventy-five  
at two o'clock*



COLLEGE MISERICORDIA  
Dallas, Pennsylvania

COMMENCEMENT  
CONVOCATION

1975

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COMMENCEMENT MAY 17, 1975

Bachelor of Arts

* Dolores J. Andraski	Art Education	Wilkes-Barre
Marion Townsend Barnard	English	Dallas
Cynthia Ann Baron	Social Work	Laurel, Florida
Brian J. Benedetti	Art Education	Wilkes-Barre
Kathi Turturro Bovine	Art Education	Tunkhannock
Marilyn F. Boylan	Art Education	Ashley
** Kathleen H. Brennan	English	Dallas
James Joseph Butterwick	Art Education	Wilkes-Barre
Nancy Castner	English	Phillipsburg, N.J.
Jeanne Beverly Chiampi	Art Education	West Pittston
Lynn Marie Coury	History	Dallas
** Kristin Marie Coveleski	History	Rehoboth Beach, Del.
Colleen Patricia Coyle	Theatre Arts	Phillipsburg, N.J.
Joan Eileen Dillon	Art Education	Trucksville
** Anne Marie Dranchak	English/History	Moorestown, N.J.
* Marie Therese Fearick	Psychology	Pittston
Conrad J. Gonzalez	History	Dallas
Rev. Lawrence Jerge, C.S.C.	Music	Wilkes-Barre
Arlene Kozich	Social Work	Dallas
* Kathleen Marie Lavelle	English	Dallas
Jessica Burns Lewis	Art Education	Forty Fort
Rita-Jo Little	Theatre Arts	Sayre
Nancy J. Lombard	History	Stamford, Conn.
Angelina Luciano	Art	Wilkes-Barre
John J. Mack	Sociology	Kingston
Mary Eileen McKoy	Psychology	Pittsburgh
George Daniel Messersmith	Theatre Arts	Trucksville
Nancy Louise Novak	Art Education	Hudson
* Genevieve Palencar	Art	Wilkes-Barre
Helen Frances-Mary Rudolph	Theatre Arts	Lebanon
Geraldine A. Saikowski	Social Work	Dickson City
* Mary Frances Santasania	English/History	Essex, Md.
James Carl Sciandra	Art Education	Pittston
Margaret S. Shafer	Art Education	Wilkes-Barre
Margaret Anne Smith	Mathematics	Narrowsburg, N.Y.
Neil Edward Smith	Art	Wilkes-Barre
*** Mary Ann Terek	French	Belvidere, N.J.
Patricia Vivian	Art Education	Kingston
Carol Ann Weaver	English	Kingston
Cheryl Patrice Wiczorek	Art Education	Pittston
Joan Marie Zaledonis	Art Education	Wilkes-Barre
Lois L. Zurla	Social Work	Exeter

Bachelor of Science

*** Christine Konnick Bartkovitz	Clothing and Merchandising	Lewisburg
Marianne Carol Berish	Elementary Education	Plymouth
** Patricia N. Biglin	Elementary Education	Jessup
Patricia Elaine Bradbury	Foods and Nutrition	Laureldale
Monica Jean Brin	Elementary Education	Dallas
Linda Rose Mary Byle Brittain	Elementary Education	Wilkes-Barre
Jay S. Brown	Business Education	Wilkes-Barre
Lee Calabro	Elementary Education	Pittston
Joan Elizabeth Campbell	Elementary Education	Hazleton
* Rosemarie Agnes Carey	Elementary Education	Plymouth
Mary Margaret Casey	Elementary Education	Old Bridge, N.J.
Debra Ann Charnoski	Foods and Nutrition	Allentown
Mary Kate Clarke	Business Education	Camp Hill
Mary Alice Cochran	Home Economics Education	Wayne, N.J.
Joseph John Conahan	Elementary Education	Ashley
Aileen Conmy	Foods and Nutrition	Wilkes-Barre
Joan Marie Cooney	Home Economics Education	Madison, N.J.
*** Kendra Susan Cosgrove	Elementary Education	Dallas
Paulette Dennis	Elementary Education	Wilkes-Barre
** Mary Ann Dymond	Elementary Education	Tunkhannock
* Catherine Evans Edwards	Elementary Education	Dallas
** Constance Ruth Edwards	Clothing and Merchandising	Dallas
Bridget L. Farley	Elementary Education	Whitehall
Susan Mary Fewins	Elementary Education	Hazleton
** Marguerita Marie Fino	Elementary Education	Exeter
Barbara Elizabeth Fried	Elementary Education	Dallas
Sandra Gail Gordon	Mathematics	Dallas
Margaret Ann Grant	Elementary Education	Larksville
Colleen M. Green	Elementary Education	S. Williamsport
Jane Louise Gribble	Elementary Education	Wilkes-Barre
Catherine Susan Grieshaber	Business Administration	Dallas
Debra Hollander	Foods and Nutrition	Elkins Park
Bridget Anne Hulihan	Biology	Gaithersburg, Md.
Diane Marie Jensen	Elementary Education	West Babylon, N.Y.
Susan Marie Junevitz	Elementary Education	Plymouth
Carol Ann Kaleta	Biology	Wyoming
Maura Therese Keenan	Foods and Nutrition	Plainview, N.Y.
Jeanne P. Kelly	Elementary Education	Lafin
Marilyn E. Kirkpatrick	Biology	Dallas
* Nancy Jane E. Klimchak	Elementary Education	Plymouth
Joseph Francis Kopko	Elementary Education	Wyoming
Maureen Anne Kosteck	Clothing and Merchandising	Green Brook, N.J.
** Lynn Ann Krzyzewski	Elementary Education	Wilkes-Barre
Alice T. Kuchemba	Foods and Nutrition	Swoyersville
Sr. Mary Victorian Kulikowski, C.S.B.	Elementary Education	Reading
** Mary Kurdziel	Foods and Nutrition	Gouldsboro
* Sharon Rita Kusiak	Elementary Education	Dallas
Barbara Kwasnik	Elementary Education	Dallas
* Kathleen Susan Lawkins	Elementary Education	Farmingdale, N.Y.
* Rosemary Lilly	Elementary Education	Phillipsburg, N.J.
John David Lohmann	Business Administration	Shavertown

# PROGRAM

## *ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL*

- Invocation . . . . . Reverend Michael Rafferty, M.S.
- National Anthem . . . . . Audience
- Address to the Candidates. . . . . Sister Regina Kelly, R.S.M., Ph.D.

## PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

Leo R. Downey, Ph.D., Academic Dean

## CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Sister Miriam Teresa O'Donnell, R.S.M., M.A., D.H.L., President

## CANDIDATES FOR HONORS AND AWARDS . . . . . Leo R. Downey, Ph.D.

Alma Mater . . . . . Class of 1975

Benediction . . . . . Reverend Michael Rafferty, M.S.

## *Recessional*

## *MARSHALS*

Marion Fearick '40  
Linda Jensen '73  
Mary Elizabeth Noll '47  
Sister Bernadette Rienzo, R.S.M. '59  
Judy Wierbowski '65

*(The audience will please remain seated until the graduates have filed out.)*

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NOTICE

Because Sister Margaret Anne Molitor,  
President of Edgecliff College is currently  
hospitalized, she will not be able to partici-  
pate in the Commencement Convocation.

Sister Regina Kelly, R.S.M., has gracious-  
ly agreed to give the address on May 17.

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Monsignor Andrew J. McGowan will be the  
homilist at the Baccalaureate Mass.

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SISTER MIRIAM TERESA O'DONNELL WAS AWARDED  
AN HONORARY DEGREE- DOCTOR OF LAWS

## Bachelor of Science — (cont'd)

Joann Natalie Long . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Old Forge
Cynthia Mary Maciborski . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Old Forge
Sally Jean Mangan . . . . .	<i>Biology</i> . . . . .	Dunmore
* Christine Marie Matis . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Allentown
Rose Marie M. Maurizi . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Pittston
Susan Carole McCabe . . . . .	<i>Home Economics Education</i> . . . . .	Coral Springs, Fla.
Eileen Theresa McGowan . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	York
Ann Marie P. McGuinness . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Edwardsville
Karen Ann Miller . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Englishtown, N.J.
Kathleen A. Miller . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Shickshinny
** Nancy Jo Mirabelle . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Exeter
Genoveffa (Jeanne) Moschella . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Wharton, N.J.
Mary Ann Mullen . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Pittston
Deborah Ann Murphy . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Pittston
Alma Regina Noll . . . . .	<i>Biology</i> . . . . .	Denville, N.J.
Debra Ann O'Kane . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Debra Ann Palonis . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Pittston
Susan Irene Park . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Dallas
Richard Allen Peard . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
** Teresa Ann Perillo . . . . .	<i>Business Administration</i> . . . . .	Perth Amboy, N.J.
* JoAnn M. Racik . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Edwardsville
Ann Marie Reardon . . . . .	<i>Home Economics Education</i> . . . . .	Pittston
Barbara Jeanne Reese . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Audrey Ann Reposh . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Jessup
Robert Harry Rinehamer . . . . .	<i>Biology</i> . . . . .	Wanamie
Susan Rother . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Dallas
* Judy Ann Sass . . . . .	<i>Mathematics</i> . . . . .	Stewartsville, N.J.
* Michael John Schmidt . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Mountaintop
*** Barbara Semkow . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Somerset, N.J.
Lois Elizabeth Shoff . . . . .	<i>Home Economics</i> . . . . .	Philipsburg
Bette-Jo Shonk . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Luzerne
*** Deborah Ann Smith . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Swoyersville
Cathleen Bernadette Sniecienski . . . . .	<i>Business Education</i> . . . . .	Bayside, N.Y.
Rita L. Sordoni . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Kingston
** Marianne Therese Spohrer . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Pittston
Louise Ann Stanton . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Pittston
Carle J. Strawser . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Dallas
* Michele Denise Sweeney . . . . .	<i>Business Administration</i> . . . . .	Willow Grove
Sr. Elizabeth Jane Tepley, O.S.M. . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Uniontown
Valerie E. Tirpak . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Dallas
Quynh Anh Thi Tran . . . . .	<i>Business Administration</i> . . . . .	Danang, So. Vietnam
Florence Moore Updike . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Bear Creek
* Madonna Jean Vecellio . . . . .	<i>Foods and Nutrition</i> . . . . .	Forestville, Md.
Barbara Ann Vilushis . . . . .	<i>Biology</i> . . . . .	Hazleton
Jean D. Vogt . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Middlesex, N.J.
M. Sharon Vonsavage . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Kingston
* Carmella Ann Vullo . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	West Pittston
* Jane Marie Wallace . . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
* Kathleen Jane Wolfe . . . . .	<i>Business Education</i> . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Sr. Ursula Yerus, C.J.C. . . . .	<i>Elementary Education</i> . . . . .	Frackville

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Cheryl Mary Alexis . . . . .	Peckville
Ellen Jane Aumiller . . . . .	Akron, Ohio
Andrea Sobieski Barch . . . . .	Bethlehem
* Norma Jean Barchik . . . . .	Benton
Donna E. Bartlett . . . . .	Trenton, N.J.
* Carol Belka . . . . .	Bricktown, N.J.
Patricia Boyle . . . . .	Jersey City, N.J.
Linda A. Ciampi . . . . .	Berwick
* Ann Colangelo . . . . .	St. Petersburg, Fla.
Margaret A. Coyle, R.N. . . . .	Binghamton, N.Y.
Bruna Frances Cruciani, R.N. . . . .	Scranton
Pamela Ruth Eckert . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Debra Findora . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Patricia A. Gaffney . . . . .	Easton
Margaret A. Gaunt . . . . .	Westwood, N.J.
Joanne M. Gaydos . . . . .	Freeland
Annette Jane Germick . . . . .	Harveys Lake
Joanne Marie Giannone . . . . .	Syosset, N.Y.
Mary Patricia Gibbons . . . . .	Freehold, N.J.
Kathleen Gail Gladfelter . . . . .	Allentown
* Cheryl Marjorie Hontz . . . . .	Shavertown
Sharon Kay Kehrli . . . . .	Factoryville
Jacquelyn Alice Kerrin . . . . .	Philadelphia
Joan Marie Kraynak . . . . .	Trucksville
Marque Ann Kuzemchock . . . . .	Frackville
Claire Alice LaBrecque . . . . .	Waterbury, Conn.
Madeline M. Lattanzi . . . . .	Tamaqua
Deborah A. Little . . . . .	Benton
Christina Maria Longo . . . . .	Binghamton
Trase Marie McGonigle . . . . .	Bristol
Carol Rachel Malinowski, R.N. . . . .	Eynon
** Joan Marie Man . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Suzanne Agnes Marcinko . . . . .	Dunmore
Jeanne Louise Mariani, R.N. . . . .	Scranton
Dianna Marshall . . . . .	Fair Lawn, N.J.
* Carol Ann C. Matikiewicz . . . . .	Glen Lyon
Maryann Morris . . . . .	Parlin, N.J.
Maryrose Catherine Mudrock . . . . .	Camp Hill
Patricia Anne Mullins . . . . .	Whitehall
Elizabeth Mary O'Boyle . . . . .	West Pittston
Lawrence Walter Olenginski . . . . .	Glen Lyon
Patricia Ann O'Neill . . . . .	New City, N.Y.
Diane Y. Pastuszak . . . . .	Kingston
Judith Ann Pennella . . . . .	Nanticoke
Denise Patricia Perdisatt . . . . .	Sparta, N.J.
* Maria J. Petrillo . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Jocelyn Anne Petlock . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
** Patricia Ann Puchalski . . . . .	Swoyer ville
* Maureen Ann Reese . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre
Margaret Ann Reinhard . . . . .	Wilkes-Barre

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing (cont'd)

Pamela Anne Rothery	Wilkes-Barre
Barbara Jean Ryan	Paramus, N.J.
Carol Salacka	Rhinebeck, N.Y.
Ann Theresa Schofield	Scranton
** Therese Sharon Searfoss	Phillipsburg, N.J.
Aggie Semler	Northampton
Lorraine Senz	Atlantic Highlands, N.J.
Mary Alice Callahan Sexton, R.N.	Dunmore
** Nancy Helen Shiffner	North Brunswick, N.J.
Beverly Ann Solovey	Plainsville
JoAnn Marie Stamas	Lincroft, N.J.
* Jean Stash	Exeter
Susan E. Stafanoski	Wilkes-Barre
Mary Ann Cecilia Suhocki	Kingston
** Deborah Anne Taylor	Falls
Vina Valery	Nyack, N.Y.
* Linda Lee Varchol	Wilkes-Barre
Michele L. Verdi	Netcong, N.J.
Anna Walsh Wildes	Dallas
Susan Prall Wood	Moosic
Patricia Ann Zaher	Brooklyn, N.Y.
Michaelene I. Zajac	Wilkes-Barre

## Bachelor of Music

Margaret Elaine Kirk	West Hempstead, N.Y.
* Elizabeth Joan Manley	New Berlinville

## Associate in Applied Science

Debra A. Andreas	Mocanaqua
Deborah Jean Bushko	Nanticoke
Joan Marie Cooper	Dickson City
Barbara Faye Flohr	Hunlock Creek
Jean Marie Golden	Dunmore
Patricia Ann Kepics	Plains
Diane M. Kowalski	Nanticoke
Elaine Mary Kutza	Dupont
Joanne Marie Mecadon	Pittston
Mari Paulette Phillips	Scranton
Mary Jo Siko	Nanticoke
Jill Elizabeth Snyder	Scranton
Stephen Stanley Yakubisin	Taylor

\*Cum Laude

\*\*Magna Cum Laude

\*\*\*Summa Cum Laude

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Award founded by College Misericordia Alumnae for proficiency in SCHOLARSHIP during four years is awarded to

**Barbara Semkow**

Mother Mary Teresa Walsh Award founded by the Walsh Family for proficiency in THEOLOGY during four years is awarded to

**Jocelyn Petlock**

The Bishop Hafey General Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Award for proficiency in HISTORY is awarded to

**Anne Marie Dranchak**

Award founded by West Side Knights of Columbus Assumpta Council 3987 for proficiency in AMERICAN HISTORY is awarded to

**Mary Santasania**

The John F. Kennedy Award founded by the Greater Wilkes-Barre Democratic Club, Inc. for proficiency in AMERICAN HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT is awarded to

**Kristin Marie Coveleski**

Sister Miriam Gallagher and Dr. Mary Santopolo Memorial Award for outstanding LITERARY ACHIEVEMENT, donated by Alicia M. Dillon is awarded to

**Kathleen Brennan**

The Lina A. Catell Award founded by Anthony Catell for proficiency in ART is awarded to

**Dolores Andraski  
Margaret Shafer**

The NATIONAL BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION Award of Merit in recognition for outstanding achievement as a student in Business Education is awarded to

**Kathleen Wolfe**

The PENNSYLVANIA INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS Award for Excellence in Accounting Studies is awarded to

**Michele Sweeney**

## HONOR SOCIETIES

Students admitted to the Beta Epsilon Chapter of Lambda Iota Tau International Literature Honor Society:

Kathleen H. Brennan  
Anne Marie Dranchak  
Kathleen M. Lavelle  
Mary Frances Santasania

Students admitted to the Kappa Gamma Pi Honor Society:

Dolores Andraski  
Christine Bartkowitz  
Patricia Biglin  
Kathleen Brennan  
Rosemarie A. Carey  
Kendra S. Cosgrove  
Anne Marie Dranchak  
Mary Ann Dymond  
Marguerita M. Fino  
Claire L. Kraszewski  
Lynn A. Krzyzewski  
Mary Louise Kurdziel  
Joan Man  
Nancy J. Mirabelle  
Teresa Perillo  
Patricia Puchalsky  
Barbara Semkow  
Nancy Shiffner  
Deborah A. Smith  
Deborah A. Taylor  
Mary Ann Terek

Students admitted to the Sigma Phi Sigma, National Honor Society of Colleges conducted by the Sisters of Mercy in the United States:

Cynthia Baron  
Christine Konnick Bartkovitz  
Kendra Cosgrove  
Carol Kaleta  
Kathleen Lavelle  
Rita-Jo Little  
Teresa Perillo  
Mary Santasania  
Judy Ann Sass  
Theresa Searfoss  
Margaret Shafer  
Mary Ann Terek

## GRADUATE AWARDS

A United States Office of Education Traineeship at the Pennsylvania State University is awarded to

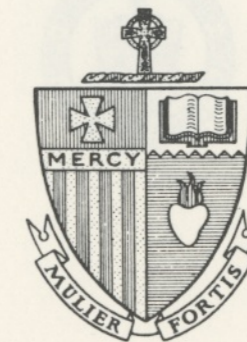
**Marianne Spohrer**

A Scholarship and Internship to Bucknell University is awarded to

**Deborah Smith**

Students admitted to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges:

**Kendra Susan Cosgrove  
Colleen Patricia Coyle  
Mary Ann Dymond  
Bridget Loretta Farley  
Cheryl Marjorie Hontz  
Claire L. Kraszewski  
Mary Louise Kurdziel  
Mary Eileen McKoy  
Alma Regina Noll  
Barbara Semkow  
Marianne T. Spohrer  
Deborah A. Smith  
Jane M. Wallace**





## MISERICORDIA ALMA MATER

Sister Teresa Mary, R.S.M.

Woodland Home on Dallas Heights  
Majestic, grand in view  
Your loyal students far and near,  
Proclaim their love for you.  
Your banner bright of truth and light  
Shall proudly o'er us wave  
Its shining gold and azure blue  
Denote your spirit brave.

### REFRAIN:

Misericordia We're proud of you.  
We love your murm'ring pine trees,  
your groves and grotto too  
You are our Alma Mater,  
and to you we will e'er be true  
Misericordia we hail,  
dear Misericordia.

When from you we must depart  
Our spirit shall remain  
We'll ne'er forget your rolling hills  
Whose beauty all acclaim.  
Your classic halls are our delight  
Your campus is our pride  
Your shield of honor, strength and might  
Shall ever be our guide.



Sr. Miriam Teresa Honored

Sun. Incl. 5/18/75

# 231 Misericordia Grads Receive Their Degrees At 49th Commencement

"Look for alternatives and find hope in the past, present, and certain futures rather than others."

That was the charge given by Sister Regina Kelly, RSM, yesterday afternoon to the 231 graduates in College Misericordia's Class of 1975 as the college celebrated its 49th annual commencement ceremonies.

The former Academic Dean of Misericordia based her entire address to the graduates on time and the ability to select a future, emphasized by the Rev. Malcome Boyd's quote, "Because I see alternatives, I have hope." Sister Regina told the graduates that the future is their destiny and obliges them to come to terms with their past. In that context, they should see their four years at College Misericordia as preparation for certain futures rather than others, she said.

A few years ago, the motto of youth was "Do your own thing," Sister said, but said she sees that sense of self changing to a sense of sharing, an interdependency. "If I recognize that sense of sharing in you and in myself, I have chosen an alternative to the loneliness of being an individual," she promised.

"I have hope for you," Sister Regina told the students, "and consider you persons with a future. And if four years at College Misericordia have done anything for you," she added, "they have given you the power to bring about your own future."

### 'Change Present'

"Begin now by changing the present," Sister Regina said, "as quickly as possible . . . move into your own future."

Immediately following Sis-



James G. Dick, chairman of the board of College Misericordia, presents a Doctor of Laws degree, honoris causa, to Sister Miriam Teresa, RSM, president of the college, during yesterday afternoon's commencement ceremonies. Dr. Leo R. Downey, far left, academic dean, announced the surprise presentation.







*The President and Faculty*  
*of*  
*College Misericordia, Dallas*  
*announce the*  
*Conferring of Degrees*  
*Saturday afternoon, May seventeenth*  
*One thousand nine hundred seventy-five*  
*two o'clock*  
*College Campus*