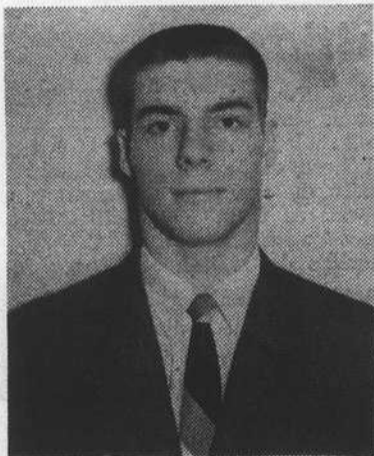




PROMINENT PARTICIPATION in the 87th Annual Commencement Exercises at Belmont Abbey College on Tuesday, June 1, are pictured above: left to right upper: Gen. Mark W. Clark will deliver the address to the graduates; the Most Rev. Ernest Unterkoefler, D.D., Bishop of Charleston, will deliver the baccalaureate address; lower: Gilbert Shaw of Charlotte, Charles Gray of Gastonia and the Rt. Rev. Edward Gilbert of Goldsboro, will receive honorary degrees.



Gerald Downey, Jr.

Youth Going To Annapolis

CHARLOTTE—Gerald J. Downey Jr. son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald J. Downey Sr. will attend the Naval Academy at Annapolis next year.

Jerry received his appointment through North Carolina Congressman Charles Raper Jonas.

Jerry was active in athletics at Catholic High School, football and golf, but he has no definite plans for the future. He was also the president of the Math and Science Club, Vice President of his home-room, and secretary of the Civics club. He chose the Naval Academy over the Citadel and Virginia Military Institute.

Jerry will report to the Academy on June 30, at 10 A.M. and after graduation he will serve five years as an ensign in the Navy.

Belmont Abbey to Hold Commencement on June 1

BELMONT — Among the 96 candidates for degrees at the 87th annual commencement exercises at Belmont Abbey College on Tuesday evening, June 1, are 50 from North Carolina, and of the number 18 are Catholic men and women.

One of the highlights of the graduation convocation will be the conferring of the honorary degree Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) on the Rt. Rev. Edward T. Gilbert, diocesan superintendent of schools and pastor of St. Bernadette's Church in Goldsboro.

Gen. Mark W. Clark, retiring president of The Citadel and renowned Army commander-in-chief and American commissioner in Germany, and later the hero of the Korean War, will deliver the commencement address at the academic convocation.

THE CALENDAR of exercises begins with the senior class party at the Gastonia Country Club on Sunday evening, May 30. The graduation ceremonies have been simplified for convenience of parents and streamlined for concentration and timing, and will take place on June 1.

On Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. the academic procession of graduates and faculty and guests in colorful academic robes will form and proceed to the Abbey Cathedral for Mass of thanksgiving. The Most Rev. Ernest L. Unterkoefler, Bishop of Charleston, S. C., will deliver the baccalaureate sermon.

The religious exercises will be followed by a buffet supper for the graduates, their parents, and the faculty at 5:30 p.m. At 7:15 the academic procession will again form and the graduates will be granted their academic hoods on the front lawn, and, after the flag lowering ceremony, the procession will go to the Haid Gymnasium for the convocation.

BESIDES GENERAL Clark and Monsignor Gilbert, two other prominent North Carolinians will receive honorary degrees, Charles D. Gray, Sr. of Gastonia, and Gilbert S. Shaw of Charlotte.

The following Catholic young men and women from North Carolina will receive their bachelor degrees:

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Sacred Heart Plans Graduation Exercises

BELMONT — On May 29 at 11 a.m. His Excellency Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, Bishop of Raleigh, will say Mass for the graduates of Sacred Heart College and Sacred Heart Academy in the Cardinal Gibbons Memorial Chapel at Sacred Heart.

At this time the Bishop will address the graduates. Luncheon will follow for graduates and families.

On May 29 from 4 to 6 the alumnae, with Mrs. Martha Ann Nolen in charge, will preside at a tea for the graduates and their families and friends in the McAulley Hall lounge.

On May 29 at 8 p.m. there will be an honors convocation in the Alumnae Gymnasium. Jack Smith of Charlotte will address the graduates. Sister M. Christine will give honor cards; Sister M. Celestine will present activity awards for the year. Sister M. Stephen will present the award of most outstanding student of the year.

Miss Carol Berry of Richmond, Va., will deliver the valedictory and Mrs. Gwendolyn Rankin of Lowell will give the salutatory.

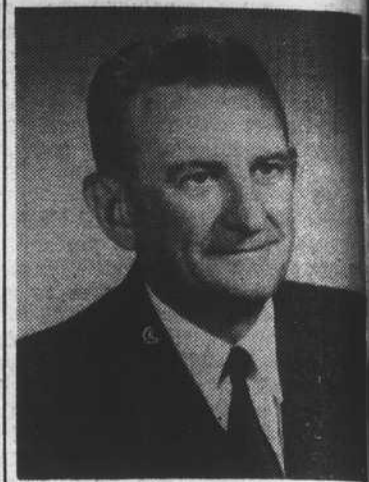
Right Rev. Walter Coggins, O.S.B., Abbot of Belmont Abbey College, will preside at the 72nd commencement exercise which will be held at Sacred Heart College and Sacred Heart Academy in Belmont on May 30 at 3 p.m. in the Alumnae Gymnasium. Sister M. Stephen, president of Sacred Heart College, will confer degrees upon 50 Graduates.

Theodore Bremekamp, Sister Ann Joseph Carey, R.S.M., Sister M. Paulette Foley, M.S.B.T., Sister Maria Goretti Weldon R.S.M., Arthur Prosses, and Douglas Wetmore of Belmont.

George T. Balog, William R. Bernish Jr., Charles W. Darr, III, Frank M. Dowgwillia, Joe Fitzsimmons, and John J. Schramm Jr., of Charlotte;

Miss Eunice Faries of Cramerton; Mrs. Carolyn Loftis of Gastonia; S. Kermit Heim of Matthews; Thomas P. Schlunz of Erevard; and Jerome R. Vincent of Swannanoa.

R. Dave Hall of Belmont, a national figure in the textile industry, will deliver the graduation address.



R. Dave Hall

Charlotte High Sets Exercise

CHARLOTTE — Graduation of Charlotte Catholic High School Seniors will take place June 2.

Commencement exercises will begin at 8 p.m. with a Pontifical Mass. The Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, D.D., will be officiating. Father D. Edward Sullivan and Father Francis J. Tait will be chaplains to His Excellency. Holy Communion will be distributed during this Mass.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Begley will deliver the commencement sermon after the Mass. Choirmaster will be Father J. P. Bryon with Mrs. Craig Gaffney as the accompanist. Mrs. Francis Treacy of Scaleybark Road is in charge of the reception after the exercises.

Valedictorian is Walter C. West, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. West of Willow Oak Road. Salutatorian is William Means, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Means of Dilworth Road.

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