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DAYTON, Ohio, September 14, 1966 — Pastor Max Lackmann, a fervent opponent of the Nazi movement in Germany during the 1930s, will be the first guest lecturer for the 1966-67 University of Dayton Religion in Life series. The German Lutheran minister, who spent part of World War II in the infamous Dachau Prison Camp, will talk on Friday, September 30, in the Little Theater of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Union at 8 P.M.

Pastor Lackman's topic will be "After the Council--What Now?" The Pastor attended the four sessions of the Second Vatican Council as an observer for the League of Evangelical-Catholic Reunion.

Born on February 28, 1910, in Erfurt, Germany, Pastor Lackmann received his secondary education in Dortmund, Westphalia and studied theology, philosophy and psychology at the Ecclesiastical College of Bethel-bei-Bielefeld. He attended the universities of Bonn, Basel and Munster and passed the First Theological Examination in 1936 in Westphalia. He became vicar of the Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of St. Mary-Herford.

Shortly after this he published his first anti-Nazi writings and, through his preaching, was imprisoned for a year in 1936-37. Because of his anti-Nazi feelings he was not permitted to take his Second Theological Examination and became a soldier in 1939.

Discharged in 1941 he took the examination and became an assistant pastor near Herford, Westphalia. He was placed under arrest again in 1942 by the Nazis for preaching against euthanasia and sent to Dachau. Freed in 1945 by the American Army he returned to his pastoral work and served as a pastor in Lutheran Congregations of the Evangelical State Church of Westphalia from 1946 through 1959. Since 1960 he has served the League for Evangelical-Catholic Reunion.

His religious writings have been published throughout the world.