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DAYTON, Ohio, May 27, 1968 — Three of the country's top Catholic educators from the National Catholic Education Association in Washington, D.C., and the Very Rev. Paul Hoffer, S.M., Superior General of the Society of Mary in Rome, will highlight a nationwide workshop on the future of Catholic education to be conducted at the University of Dayton June 21 through July 3.

The workshop, under the direction of Bro. Louis J. Faerber, S.M., Head of the Office for Evaluation and Research, School of Education at UD, is entitled "The Emerging Objectives of Catholic Education." It is sponsored by the School of Education at the University.

According to Brother Faerber, the workshop is "an assessment of the purposes and objectives of Catholic Education in the light of Vatican II. It involves a reexamination of Catholic elementary and secondary schools in order to clarify their role in the modern world." Brother Faerber also said that one of the purposes is to bring together the thinking from national meetings on Catholic education for use as a spring board for further thought and action. He specifically pointed to the recent NCEA convention in Los Angeles and the National Symposium in Washington, D.C.

"We will deal," he said, "with the philosophy of educational ideas in the area of purposes and objectives."

The Rev. C. Albert Koob, O. Praem., D.Ed., Executive Secretary of the NCEA, is one of the main speakers and, in addition to delivering the title address on "The Emerging Objectives of Catholic Education," he will speak on "The New Directions in Catholic Education Emerging from the National Symposium" on Monday, June 24. The other members of the NCEA, Sister Mary Heffernan, C.N.D., Ph.D., Associate Secretary, Elementary Department, and Brother Anthony E. Wallace, F.S.C., Ph.D., Associate Secretary, Secondary School Department, will serve as coordinators of and speakers at the workshop. Both will speak on Saturday, June 22. Sister Mary will discuss "Toward Renewal: The Future of Catholic Elementary Education," and Brother Wallace will speak on "Toward Renewal: The Future of Catholic Secondary Education."

Father Hoffer, who served as Consultant to the Commission on Christian Education at Vatican II, will begin his portions of the program on Thursday afternoon, June 27, and continue on Friday, Monday and Tuesday, June 28, and July 1 and 2. His topics will
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The program opens June 21 at 9:30 a.m. with a mass of the Holy Spirit celebrated by Very Rev. James M. Darby, S.M., Provincial Superior of the Cincinnati Province. Very Rev. Raymond A. Roesch, S.M., UD President, will give an address of welcome and Brother Faerber will explain the purpose of the workshop and introduce the staff. Dr. Joseph J. Panzer, S.M., Dean, School of Education at UD, will discuss "The Purpose of Catholic Education and the Thrust Forward We Need," at 2 p.m.

Other speakers are Brother John J. Jansen, S.M., Director of Education, Cincinnati Province, on "The NCEA National Convention (California, 1968)" and "Implications for the Objectives of Catholic Education;" Dr. John Britt of the School of Education on "Objectives of Catholic Education for Social Leadership," and Dr. John O'Donnell of the School of Education on "The Challenge of the Inner City for Catholic Elementary Education."

Brother Norbert Brockman, S.M., Chairman, Department of Political Science at UD, will speak on "The Challenge of the Inner City for Catholic Secondary Education." Brother Anthony Ipsaro, S.M., formerly Superintendent of Schools, Archdiocese of Baltimore, now of the Catholic University of America, will point to "Dynamics of Change in the Concepts of Catholic School Administration."

The workshop will close on July 3 with group reports and summarizations.