Three to Receive Honorary Degrees from the University of Dayton at Library Dedication
DAYTON, Ohio, September 16, 1971 — The Honorable John J. Gilligan, Governor of Ohio; His Excellency, Most Rev. Paul F. Leibold, Archbishop of Cincinnati, and Mr. Rutherford Rogers, Director of Libraries at Yale University, will receive honorary degrees from the University of Dayton, Saturday, September 25, at the dedication ceremonies of the University's new $4.8 million library.

The program, scheduled for the plaza on the campus side of the library, will be at 1:30 p.m.

The library program will highlight the daytime activities of the University's 47th annual Homecoming celebration which starts on Tuesday, September 21, and is climaxed with the traditional football game, UD vs. Miami of Ohio in Baujan Field at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 25.

The dedication program will include the blessing of the building by Archbishop Leibold at 11 a.m. and the luncheon for invited guests in the Kennedy Union at 11:45 a.m. Governor Gilligan will be the principle luncheon speaker.

The ceremonies will move to the library with the academic procession from the Kennedy Union to the library. Doctor of Humanities degrees will be awarded to Archbishop Leibold and Governor Gilligan while Mr. Rogers, who at one time was Deputy Librarian of Congress, will receive a Doctor of Library Administration. These are the 109th, 110th and 111th honorary degrees given by UD since 1901.

Miss Marion E. Proesel, Program Officer, Higher Education Region V, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will make the formal presentation of the building to Reverend Raymond A. Roesch, S.M., University President.

Mr. Rogers, who was Director of Libraries at Stanford University before taking the Yale position, will give the dedication address to close out the program.

The U.D. Choir will render musical selections at the beginning and close of the ceremonies. Rev. Charles Lees, University Provost, will serve as master of ceremonies at the luncheon and dedication program.

Archbishop Leibold, who graduated from the University in 1936, is being honored for his long interest in his alma mater and for service to the people -more-
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of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and Diocese of Evansville. He served as Chancellor and Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati and Bishop of Evansville before being appointed by Pope Paul VI to the Cincinnati See. He is being recognized in particular for his leadership in the convening of the Pastoral Council, establishment of the Priests' Senate and the convoking of the Archdiocesan Synod.

Governor Gilligan is being recognized for his distinguished record in public service and with civic organizations, and for his long standing interest in and work for the advancement of higher education in his native state. In particular, he is noted for his service on the Cincinnati City Council, in Congress and with the Catholic Interracial Council, Better Housing League of Cincinnati Inc., the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick and Cincinnati's Playhouse-in-the-Park, one of southwest Ohio's cultural high points.

A graduate of St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati, University of Notre Dame and University of Cincinnati, Governor Gilligan also distinguished himself in the United States during World War II by saving fellow crew members during action at Okinawa. He was awarded the Silver Star for this gallantry.

Mr. Rogers has devoted the last 39 years of his life to higher education. A graduate of Northern Iowa and Columbia University he has been associated with library work in California and throughout the eastern United States since 1937. He has been with library systems in Rochester, Buffalo, New York City, Columbia College, Stanford and Yale. He has served as a consultant for the New York State Commissioner for Education, the New York Public Library and UNESCO Seminar on the Development of National Libraries in Asia and the Pacific.

He has published more than 100 articles and written books on the subjects. His latest, University Library Administration, has been read by librarians throughout the world. Many of his procedures and innovations are being used in libraries around the world.

The UD library construction was begun in March, 1969, and the building was ready for occupancy last January. The eight-story structure can house 800,000 volumes with seating capacity for 2,500 in its 180,000 square feet of floor space. It has 200 enclosed study carrels, 15 seminar rooms, a photo lab, special space for small lecture groups and a rare books and archives facility. It also houses the Marian Library, largest such facility on Mariology, the study of Mary, the Mother of God. The latter facility is known throughout the world and Marian scholars come from many parts of the globe for research purposes.

The architects and engineers were Pretzinger and Pretzinger of Dayton, general contractor was Charles H. Shook, Inc., of Dayton and the consultant was Mr. James V. Jones and Associates of Cleveland.

The building construction was financed by loans and grants from the Federal Government and special gifts from friends throughout the country.