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THURSDAY AUGUST 1.1963

AFTER 2:00 p.m.

SALVE REGINA COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT
HELD THIS AFTERNOON IN NEWPORT

Thirty-one Sisters of Mercy, Salve Regina

College's largest summer session graduating class, this afternoon heard the Reverend

Edward R. Callahan, S.J., Commencement speaker, urge them to remember that they were

residents of two cities, the City of Man and the City of God.

The Commencement exercises were held on the Terrace of Ochre Court, the college's main campus in Newport. All graduates received the Bachelor of Arts degree, and 23 of them received the statement of eligibility for teaching from Dr. William P. Robinson, Jr., Commissioner of Education in Rhode Island.

Father Callahan, Professor of Sacramental Theology, Weston College, Weston, Massachusetts, spoke on the topic, "The Two Cities and The Veil." He pointed out that in the history of education the teacher has often found herself at the center of a certain tension between concerns which are academic and those which are civic. "While the story of town and gown has never been dull," Father Callahan said, "it certainly has never been more interesting than it is today." He emphasized that today's graduates are called upon to experience that tension and to aid those who must adjust themselves to it.

In congratulating the Sister graduates, the speaker declared, "The veiled women whom we congratulate today are highly honored residents of the City of Man. And they are also deeply respected dwellers of the City of God. They are Churchwomen and they are educators."

Father Callahan indicated that the two cities are in deep need. "Both turn with great longing, profound need, and confident expectation to those who today begin their labors for the well-being of the two cities," he concluded.

The Right Reverend Monsignor James V.

Greene, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Newport, and Dean of the Newport Area, presided at the Commencement. The candidates for degrees were presented by Sister Mary Rosalia, R.S.M., Ph.D., dean of Salve Regina College, and the degrees were awarded by Sister Mary Hilda, R.S.M., Ph.D., LL.D., president of the college.

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