

# 3 to Get Honorary Degrees

## Nobel Prize Winner to Be Honored

A Nobel Prize winner and two clergymen will receive honorary degrees at the 105th commencement exercises of Augustana June 7.

Dr. Charles H. Townes, provost of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who last year was awarded the Nobel Prize in physics, will be conferred the degree of doctor of humane letters.

The two ministers will receive doctor of divinity degrees. They are the Rev. George H. J. Aigner, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Evanston, Ill., and the Rev. George P. Bernard, pastor of

Grace Lutheran Church, LaGrange, Ill.

Townes, a resident of Cambridge, Mass., was given the Nobel Prize for his role in the invention of the maser and laser. He also is internationally known for his research in the field of microwave physics.

(Maser and laser are words coined by Dr. Townes and his students. They stand for microwave amplification by stimulated emission of radiation, and light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation.)

At MIT, Townes shares with President Julius A. Stratton the responsibility for general supervision of the educational and research programs of the institute.

The Nobel Prize winner is chairman of the science and technology advisory committee for manned space flight of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. He also serves on several other

committees advising government agencies and the military services.

Townes has received numerous honors and awards, including the Exceptional Service Award from the U. S. Air Force, and the Thomas Young Medal and Prize from the Institute of Physics and the Physical Society (England).

His writings have been published widely in scientific journals and in book form. He has been issued 12 patents for such items as an electronic oscillator, computing bombsight and electron camera tube.

The Rev. Aigner, a native of Chicago, graduated from Wittenburg University, Springfield, Ohio, in 1934 and from the Hama Divinity School at Wittenburg in 1937. He also did graduate work at the University of Chicago Divinity School.

Rev. Aigner's synodical committee work has included parish education, higher education and social

missions. At present he is a member of the executive committee of the Illinois Synod, Lutheran Church in America. He has been a member of many community and church committees related to welfare, care of retarded children and exceptional children.

The Evanston pastor has headed committees to develop a youth campsite for the Illinois Synod of the former United Lutheran Church, and has been a chairman of a campaign to secure funds and build St. Matthew's Lutheran Home for the Aging at Park Ridge, Ill.

Rev. Bernard is a native of Minnesota and was graduated magna cum laude from Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn., in 1930. Four years later he received a bachelor of divinity degree from the Augustana Theological Seminary, now the Rock Island, Ill., campus of the Lutheran School of Theology.

During his pastorate at Wenona, his congregation gained national fame because of a radio program, "God's Acre," over station WLS, Chicago, and also through a network program with Kate Smith, and an article in *Reader's Digest*.

At Omaha, the membership of his church doubled in size to become the largest in the Nebraska Conference. His congregation at LaGrange currently is preparing for a \$450,000 building program.

Since 1962 he has been on the executive board of the Illinois Synod, and also dean of the West Chicagoland District.

He has been president of ministerial associations in Omaha, Willmar and LaGrange, and served on many boards and committees of the church at large. He is a former member of the Gustavus Adolphus College board of directors.

# The Augustana Observer

## After Flood Effort Rock Island Mayor Thanks Augie Students

After a week devoted to building dikes and fighting record-breaking floods on the Mississippi River, Augustana students and faculty Friday returned to classes and to chapel exercises, where they heard official words of thanks from Mayor Morris Muhleman of Rock Island.

Addressing the student body, Muhleman said: "It was a most impressive sight to see young people from the college working side by side with townspeople in a common effort to save our city."

(Except for a few minor breaks, the dikes erected by volunteer laborers held fast in the Quad-City area and prevented untold millions in property damage.)

Muhleman paid special tribute to Augustana girls. "The coeds," he said, "passed just as many sandbags as the boys, and what a morale builder they were to the boys!"

"We are forever grateful to you for what you did for our city," the mayor declared.

President C. W. Sorensen also thanked the students and faculty for their "dramatic demonstration of community cooperation."

"The word community," he said, "suggests some common responsibility, and we are reminded that citizens of the community have come to the rescue of Augustana on various occasions."

Sorensen said one outstanding example of community cooperation occurred 90 years ago when Augustana moved to Rock Island from Paxton, Ill. "The college buildings

in Rock Island were not quite ready when school was to open in the fall, so townspeople from miles around pitched in to help finish construction work," the president explained.

He also pointed out that the Quad-City community was primarily responsible for donating the funds which built Centennial Hall.

Sorensen brought laughter from the audience when he warned the students that "they must now turn their attention to different kinds of dikes, such as classes, term papers and forthcoming examinations, in order to prevent a different kind of disaster!"

## Aglaia Gets Mortarboard Membership

Mortar Board, national honor society for senior college women, presented a charter to Augustana College at an initiation ceremony Sunday, April 25, in Westerlin Hall.

Mrs. Edward Q. Moulton, Worthington, Ohio, national treasurer of Mortar Board, presented the charter to Judy D. Anderson, president of the Augustana chapter.

The Augustana unit is called the Aglaia Chapter, in honor of the Aglaia honor society for senior women which has been in existence on the Augustana campus since 1940.

Besides the nine active and eight alumnae members previously initiated into Mortar Board, ten juniors were tapped by members Monday.

Juniors selected were Gladys Vig, Diane Gustafson, Barb Lundblad, Lois Johnson, Lynn Schultz, Sharon Wright, Ruth Ann Gustafson, Carol Delay, Louise Lindquist and Ingrid Gustafson.

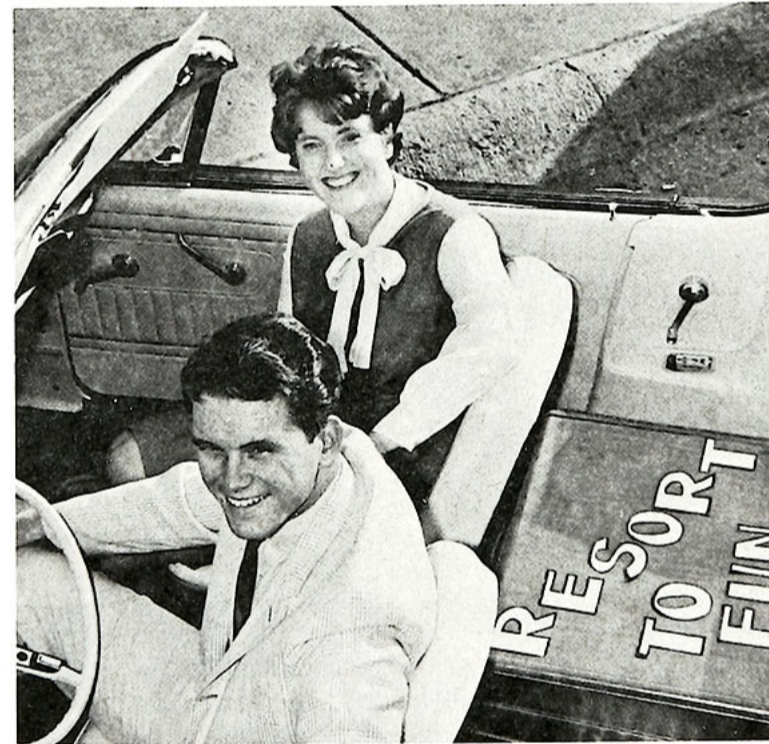
### NEWS BRIEFS

The KT May Tea is being held in the Union today from 3-5.

Dave Strang will speak at Vespers tonight at 9:30 in Ascension Chapel.

The library is sponsoring a book sale tomorrow from 8:30-3:00 in Potter Hall.

## Fair Scheduled for Saturday After Interruption from Flood



**FAIR CO-CHAIRMEN**—Char Nelson and Drew Karkow lounge in a convertible before taking off on this year's Friendship Fair vacation from studies. The "Resort to Fun" fair will be Saturday, despite interruption from last week's flood. (Obs photo by Ed Ingold.)

"Resort to Fun," the 17th annual Friendship Fair, to be held Saturday will open at 1 p.m. in the gymnasium and continue until 9:30 p.m., after which the auction will be held in Centennial Hall.

Co-chairmen Drew Karkow of DesPlaines and Charlotte Nelson of Grand Rapids, Mich., have announced that the goal for this year's fair is to raise \$4,500 for the international student exchange program.

As in past years, the fair is expected to attract several thousand persons, including hundreds of parents and visiting Luther Leaguers. A special luncheon for leaguers will be held at 11 a.m. in the Andreen dining hall, and a luncheon for parents is scheduled at 11:30 in the College Union.

All students and visitors are invited to the Friendship Fair supper, to be served at 4:30, 5:10 and 6 p.m. in the Andreen dining hall.

Although the fair closes Saturday night, the booths will be open again on Sunday afternoon for inspection by open house visitors on campus.

The co-chairmen for Friendship Fair are being assisted by the following student committees: auction—Sallie Knanishu and Tom Maranville; campus decorations—Nancy Lussow and John Schmidt; business—Julie Lucken and Wayne Johnson; Luther League luncheon—Marsha Rauch and Lawrence Lindmark; supper—Jane Evans and Paul Dawson; publicity—Barbara Thorsen and Robert Ahrens; parents' luncheon—Carolyn Ash and Gary LaCroix; booths—Valerie Bofinger and Douglas Benander; welcome—Janet M. Carlson and Stephen Samuelson; gym decorations—Kathleen Cashatt and Eric Nelson; election of "Mr. and Miss Friendship"—Diane Gustafson and Dennis Popp.

### MAGDA GLATTER PRESENTS ART SHOW IN R. I.

Magda Glatter, instructor of art and art history at Augustana for the past 15 years is presenting a one-man show at the Rock Island Public Library through the month of May beginning Sunday.

Mrs. Glatter received her art education at the Academy of Applied Arts, Budapest, Hungary. She was a student of the world-renowned Professor Almos Jaszchik. She attended graduate courses at the Art Institute of Chicago.

## Plan Speech, Hearing Clinics for Summer

A series of diagnostic clinics will be held this month at the Augustana Speech and Hearing Center, according to Dr. Donald C. Davis, director.

The clinics are in preparation for the center's summer therapy session which begins June 14. Parents concerned about their child's speech may arrange for a diagnostic interview by calling 788-9511, extension 273 or by writing to Dr. Davis.

Diagnostic interviews will take place in the speech and hearing center in the Fine Arts Building. There is a \$5 fee for the initial diagnostic evaluation.

Again this summer there will be four basic programs at the center. First, a residence program is provided for young people from beyond the immediate area who do not have therapy facilities in their home community. From 35 to 45 children are enrolled in this six-week program. They arrive on campus June 13.

Secondly, local children who have organic problems such as hearing loss, aphasia, voice problems, cleft palate and cerebral palsy or who stutter are enrolled for six weeks beginning June 14. They attend five half-days a week.

The third group will be local children with non-organic speech problems such as articulation difficulties and delayed speech development. They are enrolled in a five-week program starting June 21 and spend two hours daily at the center.

The fourth program runs from June 21 through July 23 and is for children with reading problems. Children accepted for enrollment in this program are not retarded children or merely slow learners, but they are children with specific reading problems.

Inquiries concerning the remedial reading program should be directed to Miss Mayme Bolin, principal, Eugene Field School, Rock Island.