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and conscience we should be providing in our universities courses in philosophy and ethics, and in our medical schools courses in medical morals. The dialogue among physicians of varying doctrinal backgrounds on such matters as care of the dying would provide an excellent intercourse of philosophies and a stimulation of our own moral sense. A course in medical morals, to be effective, would have to transcend narrow interpretations and hopelessly meaningless generalities. It should pattern itself on a course in philosophy with honesty of thought and veracity of speech having as its prime purpose the stimulation of self-education in a true sense of moral values and the application of these values to medical practice.

If we successfully continue our own moral education and impart or strengthen it in others by continuing our concern for the rights of our patients we may again assume a position of leadership and respect as practitioners of the healing art.

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CATHOLIC PHYSICIAN of the YEAR

At a time when every new development in medicine tends to make it more impersonal and when searching questions continue to be asked about the trends in medical attitude and practice, it is a refreshing experience to recognize physicians whose attitudes and practices in medicine richly fulfill the biblical revelation that nothing is more beautiful than helping others.

Today the National Federation of Catholic Physicians' Guilds has chosen to honor such a physician and to bestow on him the award Catholic Physician-of-the-Year. I am privileged to announce that the recipient of this Award, nominated by the Physicians' Guild of Los Angeles is Dr. Edward William Hayes, Sr., Monrovia, California.

A native of Minnesota, Dr. Hayes' early life served to perpetuate his respect for hard work and the value of idealistic standards. As a student at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota, while working to pay his own way, he was chosen a class-president, baseball manager, football captain, manager-editor of the college paper, and intercollegiate debater.

In 1913 he graduated in medicine from the University of Minnesota, but his medical practice after several years was put aside when he developed tuberculosis. Treatment, however, lacking in means employed today, was carried out in the beautiful resort surroundings of the Adirondacks, Saranac Lake, New York. One cannot speculate on what goes on in the mind of man put to the self-discipline necessary in successful sanatorium care. Nevertheless, Dr. Hayes, perhaps like other physicians recovering from the effects of infection with tubercle bacilli, then specialized in tuberculosis infections and diseases of the chest.

In 1919 he and the late Mrs. Hayes crossed down the continent and practiced two years in Tucson, Arizona, and in 1922 settled in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains in Monrovia, California. There, rearing four children—one now is Mother Superior of the Good Shepherd Provincial Convent in Manila, Philippine Islands, and one is a physician—he demonstrated in the field of public health and private practice his capacity for exemplary leadership and charity. In both Orange County and the Imperial Valley—he must know the Imperial Valley to know the arduous difficulties that confront any one wanting to improve health standards—he organized the antituberculosis programs and established and helped supervise the sanitarium for patient care. The result was to share in the later excitement of a special era in public health and medicine: the appearance of aggressive epidemiologic effort against tuberculosis and the development of effective antibiotic therapy. Meanwhile he published two textbooks and innumerable pamphlets on tuberculosis and chest diseases, and chaired a council of the American College of Chest Physicians given the task to improve and increase the teaching of chest diseases in medical schools of the United States and Canada.

Dr. Hayes is past-president of the California Tuberculosis and Health Association and of the American College of Chest Physicians, past-medical di-
THE MEDICAL APOSTOLATE IN A CHANGING WORLD

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THE APOSTOLATE of the Catholic Church is a continuing mission and will not terminate until the end of the world or at that time when there are no more souls to be won for Christ. This apostolate began with the Apostles and has continued through all the chapters of the Christian era. It has gone through many phases since the time of the Apostles. It has flourished under the influence of great dynamic Saints. It has been stimulated by the blessing of royal influence; it has been spread by European clergy carrying the faith to newly discovered lands. It has always been succored by the unceasing financial and material help of the lay people in the Church and by the influx of young men and women into religious life and by the many vocations to the priesthood. In general, however, the leadership has come from a limited group within the ranks of clergy and religious, who by education and training were prepared to act in leadership roles. All of us here today owe our faith to one of these great influences. We pause to acknowledge our debt of gratitude to those who have made possible for us the great gift of membership for the Catholic Church.

A new phase of apostolic work

It is well understood that the lay apostolate beckons to Catholic lay people in all walks of life. It is also most significant that lay people are accepting this role. We find Catholic men and women working with priests and religious in Catholic colleges, universities, high schools and elementary schools. They share the work in Catholic hospitals and in Catholic welfare work. They serve as catechists and exponents of the faith in