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A record 900 degrees is expected to be conferred June 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Field House at The University of Toledo's spring quarter commencement.

The candidates include 2 for the doctor of philosophy, 73 for the doctor of jurisprudence, a record for the College of Law, 3 for education specialist, and 98 for masters degrees in various fields of study.

The previous record 834 degrees was conferred at the June, 1968, commencement. Twenty ROTC cadets are candidates for commissions as second lieutenants in the Army.

Three honorary degrees also will be presented to:

--Gen. Lauris Norstad, chairman and chief executive officer of the Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp.

--Isabelle K. Walters, director of the Florence Crittenton Home.

--Mrs. Arthur L. Zepf, who served on the Board of Directors of the then municipal University of Toledo for 13 years.

Emeriti awards will be presented to six retiring faculty members and administrators. They are Mrs. Mary M. Gillham, librarian and professor of library science, 48 years service; Dr. Harold G. Oddy, professor of chemistry, 41 years service; Dr. G. Harrison Orians, professor of American literature, 39 years service; Mrs. Alina F. Markowski, registrar, 35 years service; Mrs. M. Kathryn (Kirschner) Lapp, associate dean of students for women's affairs, 23 years service, and John T. Smith, associate professor of physical education, 23 years service.

Outstanding Teacher awards will be presented to Edwin L. Saxer, professor of civil

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engineering and chairman of the civil engineering department; Dr. Robert T. Deck, assistant professor of physics; Anthony M. DeJute, associate professor of business administration, and Julius A. Gylys, assistant professor of economics. The four will receive \$1,000 cash prizes and certificates.

Dr. William S. Carlson, president of The University of Toledo, will deliver the charge to the graduating class.

The invocation will be delivered by the Rev. Fr. Donald S. Hunter, director of hospitals of the Toledo Diocese and chaplain to Catholic students at The University of Toledo.



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Acknowledging that this has not been a pleasant year in the academic world faced as it has been with the tendency to protest and the most prevalent methods of protest, Dr. William S. Carlson, president of The University of Toledo, stressed to some 900 graduates of the University that these actions nevertheless constitute a reflection on campus of the ailments afflicting the whole of our country.

Speaking at the University's spring quarter commencement ceremonies held June 13, Dr. Carlson said that it is important to look beyond the symptoms of dissent to the question of what youth is dissenting from -- "conformity, rules and regulations, the 'system,' the 'establishment,' the 'administration.'"

"At your University," Dr. Carlson commented, "we do not believe that one can be authoritarian in the sense of disregarding rights of young men and women." But he emphasized that there are some things that the University is required to do by state law, by contract and by direction of the Ohio Board of Regents and that there also are times when students even need protection from their fellows.

"We at The University of Toledo are much more interested in providing the proper atmosphere for educational opportunity than we are in trying to maintain the establishment, which is just a newer term for status quo. Over the years, the University has changed and, while advancing its educational purposes, has adapted itself successfully to changing conditions. And change can be accomplished most satisfactorily by reasoning rather than by force, by joined efforts and mutual respect among the contending interests. To be able to participate in controversy with good humor is the principal mark of an educated society."

Dr. Carlson said that he has found young people to be honest and forthright and ready to see change as part of the American dream. "If one looks at youth without allowing himself to become distracted by what happens on the fringe," Dr. Carlson concluded, "he will find heartening evidence of stability, of morality and of seriousness of purpose among the great majority. I believe this is true -- and it had better be -- for the fate of our nation and the world hangs on this premise."