

Boston College Graduates 2440

Yale's Brewster Urges Massive U.S. Loans to Students

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The ability of higher education to reach more than the rich

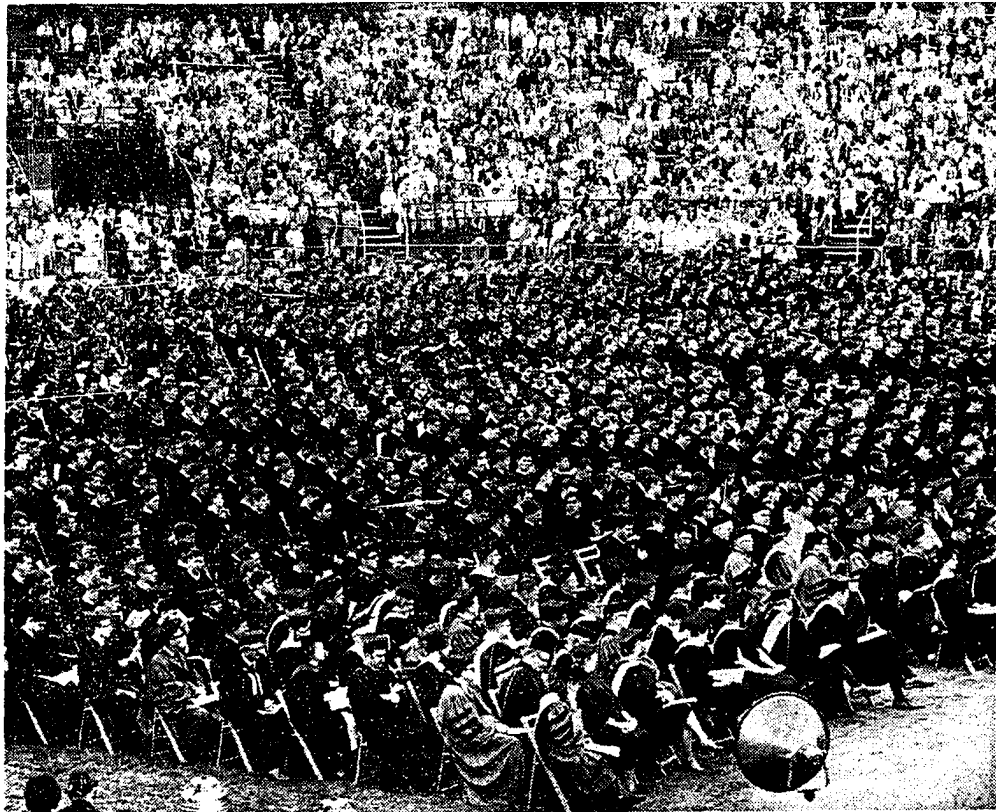
in the next generation will depend on "massive government support" to private and church-related colleges, Yale Pres. Kingman Brewster Jr. told 2440 graduates Monday at Boston College's Commencement.

In addition, he said, such support must be channeled through a revolutionary system of loans to students if government con-

trol of such institutions is to be avoided.

"The common hope of private non-secretarian schools like mine, and church-related schools like yours, is that somehow the nation as a whole will mobilize its resources to allow us to be non-exclusive." Brewster told more than 12,000 in Alumni Stadium.

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GRADUATING CLASS AT ALUMNI STADIUM, BOSTON COLLEGE

2440 Receive B.C. Degrees



KINGMAN BREWSTER
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"Unless there is massive government support in the next generation, poverty will still keep many from the education they deserve. Our common fear is that if government does become the principal investor in higher education, some of us will be forced to compromise our autonomy, our self-determination."

The Yale president, a persistent battler for wider public support of private colleges, was one of eight leaders in government, education, business and the church to receive an honorary degree from retiring Pres. Michael P. Walsh, S.J.

Fr. Walsh also conferred degrees on 2440 candidates from 10 schools and colleges, the largest class in B.C.'s 105-year history.

In his address, Brewster outlined how the student of the future might be allowed a choice between public and private institutions.

"Once the government becomes our banker, it is al-



DEGREE WINNER CONGRATULATED — Sister Mary Kieran McCormack, C.S.J., awarded a doctorate of philosophy, is given best wishes by Cardinal Cushing at Boston College commencement. With them are Rev. Michael P. Walsh, president. (Bill Ryerson Photo)

most irresistible for some Congressmen to tell us what we must or must not do. "I myself have long favored a scheme which would allow a student to draw an advance to help pay the cost of his education, with his obligation (to repay) dependent upon the ups and downs of his financial situation over his lifetime."

Such a system, Brewster argued, would avoid waste and inequity, allowing repayment during the borrower's later, more productive years.

Honored by Boston College, along with Brewster,

were French theologian Henri de Lubac, S.J.; Solicitor General of the U.S. Erwin N. Griswold; Rita P Kelleher, dean of B.C. School of Nursing for 21 years; Most Rev. John J. McEleney,

S.J., Archbishop of Jamaica; Pres. Cornelius Owens of New York Telephone Co.; James J. Shea, chairman of Springfield's Milton Bradley Co.; and Calif. Chief Justice Roger J. Traynor.