

THE NOTRE DAME 10: DOW-CIA

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**“BEING A CHRISTIAN IN A CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY IN TIMES OF WAR:
HAS 40 YEARS CHANGED THE CONVERSATION?”**

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NAPALM is the most effective “anti-personnel” weapon. Some of its finer selling points were explained to me by a pilot in 1966: “We sure are pleased with those backroom boys at Dow. The original product wasn’t so hot—if the gooks were quick they could scrape it off. So the boys started adding polystyrene—now it sticks like shit to a blanket. But then if the gooks jumped under water it stopped burning, so they started adding Willie Peter (WP—

white phosphorous) so’s to make it burn better. It’ll even burn under water now. And just one drop is enough, it’ll keep on burning right down to the bone so they die anyway from phosphorous poisoning.”



NINE-YEAR-OLD VIETNAMESE CHILD
SEVERELY BURNED BY NAPALM

It’s no great way to die. The generals love napalm. It has a big psychological effect.

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COLONEL JAMES ALLES,

COMMANDER OF MARINE AIR GROUP 11, WHO
ADMITTED US FORCES USED NAPALM AGAINST IRAQIS.

“DON’T BE A BYSTANDER.”