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Duluth --- "Viet Nam---Southeast Asia" will be discussed at UMD Commencement exercises at 8:00 p.m. Thursday (June 10) by John T. McNaughton, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

UMD Provost Raymond W. Darland will confer 513 undergraduate degrees during the ceremonies in University Gymnasium. Academic Dean Thomas W. Chamberlin will award 12 Master of Arts degrees.

Twelve Air Force ROTC cadets will receive Certificates of Completion from Lt. Col. Thomas R. Owens, professor of aerospace studies. Also to be recognized will be John J. Caskey, Duluth, a graduating senior who will be commissioned Thursday afternoon as a 2nd lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. Caskey, who trained in the summer with the Marine Reserve, will be commissioned by Major Ralph B. Spencer, Minneapolis.

Attending the ceremonies will be University Regent William K. Montague and former Regent Richard L. Griggs. The invocation and benediction will be given by the Rev. Joseph S. Dahlquist, pastor of Elim Lutheran Church, Duluth.

The University Orchestra, directed by James E. Smith, associate professor of music, will present a concert "Overture and Allegro" by Couperin-Milhaud.

McNaughton was appointed Assistant Secretary of Defense by President Johnson in March 1964. He was confirmed by the Senate on June 26, 1964.

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Before assuming his present position, he served a year as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Arms Control and then was appointed General Counsel of the Department of Defense on July 1, 1962.

Born in Bicknell, Indiana, McNaughton received his A.B. degree from DePauw University, his LL.B. from Harvard Law School and was granted a B. Litt from Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.

Admitted to the Illinois bar in 1948 and the Massachusetts Bar in 1956, he was appointed assistant professor of law at Harvard in 1953 and became a full professor in 1956.

From 1951-53, he was first a columnist and then editor of the Pekin (Illinois) Daily Times. He was legal counsel for the newspaper during the same period.

McNaughton is a member of the American Bar Association, the American Society of International Law, the Council on Foreign Relations, the Institute of Strategic Studies, and Phi Beta Kappa.

A naval lieutenant during World War II, he is married and the father of two sons.

Dr. John Dettman, commencement committee chairman, said admission will be by ticket only until 7:50 p.m.