

# Many Honors Among 87 In 1st Xavier Class Tonight

CONCORD — Xavier High School, founded by Cardinal Cushing in 1962, will graduate its first class in exercises tonight at 8 p.m.

The college preparatory high



**TOP SCHOLAR** at Xavier, Michael McFarland.

have been offered scholarships totalling \$68,300. The class included five National Merit Scholarship finalists and 15 students who received letters of commendation from the Merit Scholar program.

The school is particularly strong in languages. Last Summer 15 students studied in France at the University of

Poitiers. This year 15 students are going to Summer programs in England, 11 to France and 13 to Germany.

One of the top graduates is Michael C. MacFarland of Hill st., Lexington. A Merit Scholarship finalist, he has been accepted in a new six-year doctoral program at Cornell University, where he will study

anthropology and Russia while majoring in astronomy

He won top honors in Latin, Math, German, Science and History while at Xavier.

During his last quarter at Xavier he was the only student in an independent study program and constructed a spectograph as a special physics project.

school is off to an impressive start, with 84 of its 87 graduates already accepted to college.

Eleven members of the class