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EDITORS: PLEASE GUARD AGAINST PREMATURE RELEASE

For release in AM's, Sunday, September 11th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Sept. 10 --- The University of Notre Dame today announced plans for a thirteen story library to be erected beginning next year at an estimated cost of \$8,000,000.

The new Notre Dame Memorial Library will house 2,000,000 volumes and will provide study facilities for up to one-half of the University's 6,000 students at one time. It will be situated immediately north of Cartier Field, east of the present campus, where it will head a new quadrangle of buildings to be developed there as part of a ten-year \$66,600,000 "Program for the Future."

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, today described the projected library as "the University's most urgent and critical need." He pointed out that the present library, filled to capacity with nearly 400,000 books, was erected in 1917 when Notre Dame had an enrollment one-fifth its present size. The Notre Dame Memorial Library, Father Hesburgh said, "will be the center of a whole new development to the east of the present campus, the academic heart of a University destined to become a real center of excellence in higher learning in the very heart-land of America."

Designed by Ellerbe and Co., St. Paul, Minnesota, the new library will be the largest structure on the campus and one of the larger buildings in the state of Indiana. It will rise 180 feet, nearly as high as the famed Golden Dome atop the Administration Building. The first two floors, which will house the undergraduate library, will occupy an area of nearly two acres. The central cruciform tower, measuring 140 feet square, will consist of ten floors devoted principally to specialized University research units.

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The most prominent architectural feature of the Notre Dame Memorial Library will be a soaring, multi-colored granite mural on the central axis of the tower. The mammoth work of art, rising nine stories above the library's entrance, will emphasize the grandeur, complexity and timelessness of man's search for truth. It will depict a multiplicity of saints and scholars, stretching back into time, who have dedicated themselves to the preservation of truth and the education of new generations.

According to the architects, the new library will conform in style with the traditional functional buildings existing on the campus today. It is being designed, however, to serve the University for decades to come. The first floor will be built of ledge rock limestone and glass while the second floor will consist principally of Notre Dame brick in diagonal bond. The tower will be constructed of Mankato stone.

In addition to the undergraduate library, the new air-conditioned structure will include an auditorium, the University Archives, the Mediaeval Institute, the Jacques Maritain Center, offices of the Committee on International Relations, special University collections, the audio-visual department, other research facilities and offices, and the headquarters of the Notre Dame Library Association.

Father Hesburgh said that all Notre Dame's alumni and friends will be asked to help finance the new library through gifts and pledges in a nationwide program to be conducted this fall and next spring. It is hoped, he said, that alumni will contribute at least four million dollars over the next three years while other friends, corporations and foundations will be invited to underwrite the rest of the cost.

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For release in PM's, Monday, September 19th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Sept. 19 -- Ten business and professional leaders have been appointed to advisory councils at the University of Notre Dame, according to an announcement today by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., University president.

Newly appointed members of the Advisory Council for the College of Commerce are Thomas A. Bruder, president, M. A. Bruder and Sons, Philadelphia, Pa.; John F. Connelly, president, Crown Cork and Seal Co., Inc.; Philadelphia, Pa.; George Coury, Miami, Fla., broker; Gerald S. Kennedy, chairman of the board, General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn.; and Dr. Arthur J. O'Connor, Scarborough, N. Y., physician.

A physician and two industrialists have accepted membership on the Advisory Council for Science and Engineering. They are Dr. Martin O. Miller, New Orleans, La.; E. M. Haughton, president, Utah Power and Light Co., Salt Lake City; and Armando J. Porta, executive vice president, The Studebaker-Packard Corp., South Bend, Indiana.

John W. Dorgan, Chicago, Ill., attorney, is a new member of the Advisory Council for the Notre Dame Law School.

John B. Caron, Caron Spinning Co., Rochelle, Ill., has been named to Notre Dame's Advisory Council for the Liberal and Fine Arts.

Coury, Porta, Dorgan and Caron are Notre Dame Alumni.

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For release in AM's, Tuesday, September 20th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Sept. 19 -- The appointment of Miss Emily Schossberger as director of the University of Notre Dame Press was announced here today by Rev. Paul E. Beichner, C.S.C., chairman of the University's board of publications.

She succeeds John Defant who resigned last spring to become advertising and promotion director of the George A. Pflaum Co., Dayton, Ohio, publishing firm.

Miss Schossberger, who entered university publishing work nearly twenty years ago, had served as assistant director of the Fordham University Press since January, 1959. During the previous year she was associated with the University of Chicago Press as a senior editor in charge of foreign editions. She organized the University of Nebraska Press and directed it from 1941 to 1958.

A native of Austria who speaks five languages, Miss Schossberger came to the United States in 1940, serving for a year as assistant to the director of the Fordham Press. During her seventeen year tenure at Nebraska, the Press published ninety-seven titles and became known as "The Publisher on the Plains" because of the strongly regional character of many of its volumes.

Miss Schossberger has combined her scholarly career with a lively interest in sports. Before coming to this country, she was a sports writer for several European newspapers. During her stay in Nebraska she won several tennis championships, including the state women's singles title in 1944.

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For release in AM's, Thursday, September 22nd:

Notre Dame, Ind., Sept. 21 -- His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman will officiate at the consecration of Rev. Alfred F. Mendez, C.S.C., as first bishop of the new Puerto Rican Diocese of Arecibo, it was announced here today. The ceremonies will take place in Sacred Heart Church at the University of Notre Dame October 28th (Friday) at 10:30 a.m.

Serving with the Cardinal-Archbishop of New York as co-consecrators will be the Most Rev. Edwin V. Byrne, Archbishop of Santa Fe, New Mexico, and the Most Rev. Richard H. Ackerman, C.S.Sp., Bishop of Covington, Kentucky. Archbishop Byrne was Ordinary of the Dioceses of Ponce and San Juan in Puerto Rico for eighteen years before assuming his present post in 1943.

The sermon at the consecration rites will be delivered by the Most Rev. James P. Davis, Archbishop of San Juan. The Most Rev. Leo A. Pursley, Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend, will serve as host to members of the hierarchy throughout the United States who are among those being invited to the ceremonies. Other details of the consecration of Bishop-designate Mendez and the date of his installation in Arecibo will be announced later.

Bishop-designate Mendez, who was elevated to the hierarchy by Pope John XXIII on July 30th, will celebrate his first Solemn Pontifical Mass in the Notre Dame campus church on the Feast of Christ the King, October 30th, at 11 a.m. He will offer another Solemn Pontifical Mass at nearby Saint Mary's College on November 1st, the Feast of All Saints.

At the time of his episcopal appointment, the new bishop was director of province development for the Holy Cross Fathers here. In earlier years he was a member of the Notre Dame administration and faculty and served in the Holy Cross missions in Texas and Louisiana.

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For release in PM's, Wednesday, September 21st:

Notre Dame, Ind., Sept. 21 -- The University of Notre Dame begins its 119th academic year tomorrow (Thursday) when the first classes of the fall semester will be held in the Graduate School and the four undergraduate colleges. The Notre Dame Law School began its fall term last Friday (Sept. 16th).

Upperclassmen among Notre Dame's 6,000 students completed registration today, and approximately 1,500 freshmen rounded out a five-day orientation program which included registration, a series of tests and lectures, a spiritual retreat or mission and several social events. This year's freshman class, which represents approximately 740 high schools throughout the country, has recorded higher college entrance examination scores, as a group, than any previous freshman contingent here.

A Solemn High Mass in Sacred Heart Church Sunday (Sept. 25th) at 11 a.m. will mark the formal opening of the school year. Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., acting president of the University, will be the celebrant. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Chester A. Soleta, C.S.C., vice president for academic affairs. The entire faculty of approximately 380 laymen and 90 priests will march in a colorful academic procession from the Administration Building to the campus church for the rites.

Sixty new faculty members have been appointed for the 1960-61 school year. Those with the rank of full professor include Rev. Guillaume de Bertier, history; Sarvadaman Chowla, mathematics; Rev. Thomas Gilby, O.P., philosophy; Czeslaw Lejewski, philosophy; Louis J. Mordell and D. E. Rutherford, mathematics; Ernest W. Thiele, chemical engineering; and Eric Voegelin, political science.

Also holding full professor's rank are the three new commanding officers of Notre Dame's ROTC units. They are Lt. Col. Everett E. Blakely, U.S.A.F.; Capt. James E. Hackett, U.S.N.; and Col. William J. Mullen, U.S.A.

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EDITORS: The following story is being released by Notre Dame in conjunction with a Ford Foundation story emanating from New York City. Please guard against premature release.

For release in AM's, Sunday, September 25th:

Notre Dame, Ind., Sept. 24 -- The University of Notre Dame will receive a grant of \$6,000,000 from The Ford Foundation provided that during the next three years it obtains \$12,000,000 in gifts from its alumni and friends.

Notre Dame is one of five privately supported American universities chosen by The Ford Foundation for participation in its new \$46,000,000 Special Program in Education announced in New York City today. The other institutions and the unrestricted grants earmarked for them are Stanford University, \$25,000,000; The Johns Hopkins University, \$6,000,000; University of Denver, \$5,000,000; and Vanderbilt University, \$4,000,000.

Henry T. Heald, president of the Foundation, said the objective of the new program is "to assist institutions in different regions of the country to reach and sustain a wholly new level of academic excellence, administrative effectiveness and financial support." He said the five schools were selected because they had "already embarked on future-development programs commensurate in scope, imagination and practicability to the vast needs of American society."

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, described The Ford Foundation grant, the largest in the University's history, as "an answer to our deepest hopes." It will, he said, enable Notre Dame "to take a great leap forward in its striving for academic excellence."

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Father Hesburgh, in response to the challenging new Ford Foundation program, designated five "top priority" projects in a three-year, \$18,000,000 fund-raising effort. Heading the list is the recently announced Notre Dame Memorial Library to be built beginning next year at a cost of \$8,000,000. The other segments of the \$18,000,000 goal are \$4,000,000 for two graduate residence halls; \$3,500,000 for increased faculty salaries and endowed professorships; \$2,000,000 for fellowships, scholarships and student loans; and \$500,000 for special administrative purposes including a retirement plan for non-academic employees.

Under terms of the Special Program in Education, all of the universities except Stanford are required to raise two dollars from private sources for each dollar of The Ford Foundation grant over the next three years. Stanford is required to match the grant three-for-one over the next five years. Funds to match the Foundation's grant must come from other private sources and not the government or other Ford Foundation programs or affiliates.

According to The Ford Foundation announcement, Notre Dame will receive \$1,075,000 of its \$6,000,000 grant immediately, subject to the matching provision. This fund has been allocated by the University to certain high priority needs as follows:

Faculty additions and graduate research fellowships in the humanities and social sciences.....	\$260,000
Improved academic and student personnel program...	60,000
Faculty salary increases.....	100,000
Faculty additions in engineering and science.....	100,000
Non-academic employee retirement plan.....	250,000
Doubling size of language laboratory.....	30,000
Initial costs of the new library.....	275,000



The full text of Father Hesburgh's statement follows:

"The participation of The University of Notre Dame in The Ford Foundation's Special Program in Education announced today is, in a sense, an answer to our deepest hopes. This program will make it possible for Notre Dame to take a great leap forward in its striving for academic excellence. The grant is not, however, merely an answer. It is even more a challenge, by making unusual help available if we can first help ourselves. Some years ago, The Ford Foundation awarded Notre Dame more than \$3,000,000 for faculty development. On that occasion, we were able in the three subsequent years to double the fund, thanks to our many loyal alumni and friends who contributed for this same purpose to the great betterment of our faculty, and students, too.

"Now the challenge has been broadened and deepened. The \$6,000,000 earmarked by The Ford Foundation for payment over the next three years to Notre Dame is contingent upon our raising an additional \$12,000,000 from our alumni and friends. The total will provide funds at an early date for Notre Dame's most urgent needs: a magnificent new library, faculty development, graduate and undergraduate scholarships, exciting new academic programs that deepen the impact of the University on the need for wisdom and excellence in our times.

"We are indeed grateful to The Ford Foundation for this far-sighted beneficence: for in helping us and others, in the broadest sense they are demonstrating how much we need to be helped to achieve our dreams for many great universities across this land; to be beacons of intellectual achievement, to raise up competent scholars, scientists, professional men, teachers, leaders in public and industrial life, to set the sure pattern of morally responsible and capable persons emerging from among the greatest resource of America: our young people.

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"This is a costly endeavor. The better it is done, the more it costs. This new Ford Foundation program says to everyone: higher education is crucially important everywhere in America; help these institutions to do their work well, to grow in excellence, and we will match every two dollars you give with another dollar to speed the achievement of the best across this land."

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