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Notre Dame, Ind. -- The Academic Council of the University of Notre Dame and the Academic Affairs Council of neighboring Saint Mary's College have issued guidelines for next month's vote by faculty and students on whether or not to recess for two weeks of political activity prior to the November elections.

Last May, the Notre Dame Council set up a vote to recommend whether or not a special October 24-November 4 recess would be declared, with adequate provision for making up class periods before the end of the fall semester. The 58-member Council, the University's chief academic policy-making body, was joined in this fall's decision by the comparable body at Saint Mary's because the institutions share a common academic calender.

In their guidelines, the Councils

- -- Confirmed the holding of separate referenda for faculty and students on each campus Friday, October 2.
- -- Declared that in order for a recess to be granted, an absolute majority of the combined faculties and of the combined student bodies of both schools must have favored the recess. An absolute majority is a majority of those eligible to vote in both constituencies.
- -- Stipulated the days classes would be made up in the event the referenda favored a recess, with most make-up classes coming from a shortening of Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks combined with Saturday classes.
- -- Created a student-faculty election board, chaired by Notre Dame's registrar, to conduct the referenda.

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-- Noted that in the event of a special recess the two institutions would close as for a vacation period, with the suspension of normal activities, such as food service.

In another action, Notre Dame's Academic Council voted to add seven students: to full membership, including voting rights, for a two-year trial period. The Council is currently composed of faculty members and administrators.

The students, who would serve one-year terms, would be selected as follows --

- -- Four students, one from each of the undergraduate colleges.
- -- One student representing the combined student bodies of the Law School and of the master's in business administration program.
 - -- One student representing the Graduate School.
- -- One student ex-officio, the Student Government academic affairs commissioner.

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The Text of the Special Recess Proposal is as Follows:

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November 21, Friday and Saturday, November 27 and 28, and Saturday, December 5, and December 12.

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Notre Dame, Ind. --- What do the Chicago Symphony, the Notre Dame basketball team, the South Bend Policeman's Ball, the Michiana Kennel Club Dog Show, and Johnny Cash have in common?

Answer: The University of Notre Dame's two-year-old Athletic and Convocation Center (ACC), a multi-purpose building which sometime this fall will welcome its millionth guest.

The \$8.6 million structure, build to serve both the needs of the University and those of the surrounding community, has accommodated athletic contests, ice shows, circuses, bridge tournaments, national church conventions, rock music groups, trade shows, commencement speakers and political fundraising banquets under its two spacious domes.

The impact of the facility on the South Bend economy is seen in convention bureau figures which show an increase in delegate dollars from \$2.9 million in 1968 to \$8 million in 1969. The Midwest Mobile Home and Recreational Vehicle Show, one of the largest trade shows in the nation, accounted for an estimated \$5 million in its six-day stay last month. Chief among future bookings is the International Science Fair, scheduled for 1974.

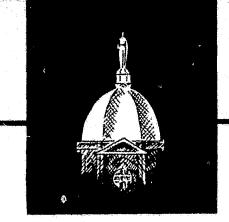
The building, designed by Ellerbe Architects of St. Paul, Minn., has more ground under roof (10 1/2 acres) than Houston's Astrodome, and the versatility of its fieldhouse dome, which contains an ice facility which will be the site of the 1972 NCAA hockey tournament, and its arena dome, which can seat 11,500, is a major factor in attracting events. On one occasion, the ACC simultaneously hosted a hockey game, a basketball game, a wrestling meet,

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and a banquet, recalled General Manager John F. Plouff, who heads a building staff of 33 persons.

Most fans know the building as the home of virtually all Notre Dame's varsity athletics, with the exception of Ara Parseghian's football team (which plays in the stadium across the street but sometimes sneaks inside for rainy day practice sessions). But actually most students who use ACC facilities are involved in either club sports or the University's active intramural athletic program, which involves almost half the 5,100 on-campus students and about one-fourth of the 1.100 residing off-campus. The building is also the home of a popular summer sports camp, which annually attracts some 400 youngsters from across the country.

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A national association that will concern itself with data processing among institutions of higher education will be formed soon, according to Leo M. Corbaci, assistant provost and registrar at the University of Notre Dame.

Corbaci, who recently returned from a Denver, Colo., meeting of 28 colleges and universities called to organize the new association, said that it would deal with systems application, software evaluation, facilities management and the development of information systems for colleges and universities.

"The complexities of information systems has caused a demand for the exchange of information so as to minimize overlap and reduce the time span in the development of systems and various applications in our educational institutions," Corbaci explained. The organizing committee will meet again in January to review details of incorporation, constituion and by-laws, appointment of an executive secretary, membership and dues.

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September 21, 1970

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A physicist and an engineer-lawyer have been appointed to the University of Notre Dame's Advisory Councils for the College of Science and the College of Engineering. The appointments were made by the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame.

Dr. Joseph P. Feldmeier, a physicist who is vice president and director of laboratories at The Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, Pa., will join the Advisory Council of the College of Science. He is on the Board of Trustees of Montgomery County Community College and serves on the Governor's Science Advisory Committee for Pennsylvania and the Penntap Advisory Council of Pennsylvania State University.

Walter E. Shirmer, chairman of the Clark Equipment Company in Buchanan, Mi., and new member of the Advisory Council for the College of Engineering, holds both engineering and law degrees. He is director of Cincinnati Milacron, the National Bank of Jackson, and a member of the Executive Committee of the Machinery and Allied Products Institute. Shirmer is also a trustee of Illinois Institute of Technology.

Both men have earned professional awards and served on academic groups.

Feldmeier received the University of Notre Dame Centennial of Science Award
in 1965 and the Department of the Navy Civilian Scientist Citation in 1948.

Shirmer earned the Professional Achievement Award of the Illinois Institute of
Technology and the Distinguished Alumnus Award of John Marshall Law School.

He is a member of Tau Beta Pi, the Society of Automotive Engineers, the American
Management Association and the American Ordinance Association.

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Members of Notre Dame Advisory Councils meet periodically with deans to discuss policy and programs.

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Notre Dame, Ind. -- A record enrollment of 8,156, including 1,737 in its largest Freshman Class, was reported at the University of Notre Dame this year. Figures released by the registrar's office show 6,407 undergraduates, 1,325 graduate students, and 424 enrolled in the Law School.

Undergraduate enrollment by colleges show 2,285 in Arts and Letters,
932 in Business Administration, 752 in Engineering, and 701 in Science.
Graduate Arts and Letters students total 643; Master of Business Administration
113; Science, 389; and Engineering, 180.

First year students complete the Freshman Year of Studies Program before admission to one of the colleges. A total of 787 have indicated an intention to enroll in the College of Arts and Letters, 350 each in Science and Engineering, and 250 in Business Administration.

There are 1,204 Notre Dame students taking 1,711 courses at Saint Mary's College and 765 SMC students enrolled in 1,442 Notre Dame courses. In addition, 45 Purdue University students are enrolled in a Notre Dame course on the Purdue campus.

Sixty-eight Notre Dame students are attending "Year Abroad" study courses in Rome, including 44 architecture students. Other overseas campuses include Innsbruck, Austria, 34 students; University of Sophia, Tokyo, Japan, 20; and Angers, France, 25. There are 25 second-year Law students attending classes at the University of London.

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The University of Notre Dame Administration Building will be the site of the student and faculty referenda Friday on whether or not the institution will recess prior to the November elections.

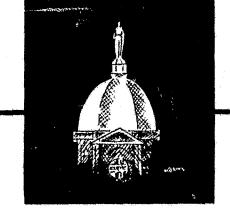
Notre Dame Registrar Leo Corbaci, who heads a faculty-student election board, said that the polls will be open on the second floor of the Administration Building between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Two voting clerks will be assigned to faculty voting tables and 10 to student voting tables. Clerks will be equipped with lists of eligible voters in each constituency, and after a student or faculty member identifies himself with an "I.D." card and signs the poll list, he will be given a paper ballot.

The ballot proposal reads as follows: "Special Recess Proposal: That classes will be suspended and dining halls closed from Saturday, October 24, 1970, to Wednesday, November 4, 1970, inclusive; class days missed will be made up before the semester officially ends by adjusting the present calendar in these ways: the semester will be extended to December 23 with examinations beginning December 17; classes will be extended through December 14, 15 and 16; classes will also be held on Saturday, November 21, Friday and Saturday November 27 and 28, and Saturday, December 5, and December 12." Voters can vote "Yes" or "No."

Faculty and students of Saint Mary's College will also vote Friday on the same proposal, and they will announce later their location, times, and procedures. A both majority of eligible voters in/the combined faculties and combined student bodies of the two institutions is necessary to approve a recess.

Results of the election are expected to be available by 8 p.m. Friday.

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For Immediate Release:

The director of the Institute of Organic Chemistry within the Polish Academy of Sciences will deliver a lecture at 10:10 a.m. Tuesday (Oct. 6) in room 361 of the University of Notre Dame's Chemistry Hall.

Dr. Marian Kocor, an organic chemist and teacher from Warszawa,

Poland, will speak on "Synthesis of Some New Heterocyclic Derivatives of

Steroids" to a symposium of Notre Dame chemistry students. He is visiting

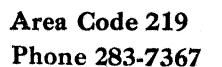
the United States to discuss chemical training at the postgraduate level as

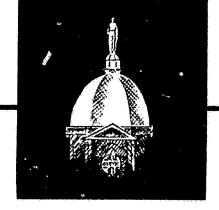
well as research in organic chemistry, and will spend two days with Dr.

Ernest L. Eliel, professor of chemistry at Notre Dame.

During his eight-week stay in the U.S., Kocor will visit The University of California at Berkeley, the University of Oregon, Eli Lilly, Inc. at Indianapolis, Wyeth Laboratories in Philadelphia and the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda.







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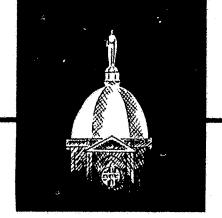
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Notre Dame, Ind. -- The College of Science at the University of Notre Dame has accepted the gift of a rough, octahedral diamond crystal for study by students in the geology department.

John M. Marshall, president of Diamond Import Company, South Bend, said the diamond was part of a recent consignment received from South Africa.

Marshall has made similar gifts to the university in other years.

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A recital by noted opera star, tenor soloist and lecturer James Schwabacher will be presented at 8:15 p.m. Thursday (Oct. 8) in the University of Notre Dame's Memorial Library Auditorium.

Schwabacher's appearance in a seven-part song recital is sponsored by the department of music. The veteran of 14 operatic roles with the San Francisco Opera Company will sing selections from Handel, Schubert, Berlioz and Poulenc.

In addition to his operatic appearances, Schwabacher has delivered oratorio performances in Carnegie Hall, the Philharmonic Hall and the Carmel Bach Festival; appeared as a soloist with the San Franciso Symphony and the Cincinnati, Buffalo, Vancouver and Portland Symphony Orchestras, and developed a lecture-recital explaining the history of opera and song.

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Notre Dame, Ind. -- A solution to the Middle East impasse involving the creation of a Palestinian State and the use of atomic energy to transform the Sinai Desert has been suggested by the President of the University of Notre Dame.

The Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., writing on the editorial page of The New York Times of October 1, suggests the creation of a Palestinian State on the western and eastern banks of the Jordan River on land annexed since World War II by Israel and the former state of Transjordan. As many Palestinian Arab refugees as possible would be assimilated in this new territory, which, the priest-educator predicts, "should have fruitful and amicable relations with both Israel and Jordan, which would be relieved to have these Palestinians nearby, but not within either of the adjoining states."

Anticipating that this new state would not be large enough to hold all the refugees, Father Hesburgh, who recently completed 13 years as Vatican representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna, advocates the construction of two nuclear reactors, one in Israel and one in Egypt "to turn the Sinai desert into a flowering garden of food production."

Not only could refugees be given more land than they had lost, but also the Sinai could be opened to both Arab and Israeli, relieving the over-crowded conditions which feed Middle East tensions. "A power and water grid could be developed, fed from two reactors in presently inimical states... contributing power and desalinized water, twice the flow of the Jordan River,"

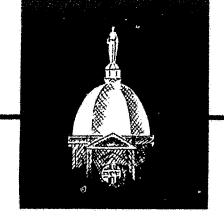
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Notre Dame's president writes.

"The total cost of this would be about the cost of a week and a half of the Vietnam war at its height," Father Hesburgh notes. "The technology is present and operative; the economic studies have been made; only good will is necessary to achieve it and peace in the Middle East is in the balance." He added that the IAEA could manage the project.

Father Hesburgh has traveled often in the Middle East, many of his recent trips in connection with the construction of the Ecumenical Institute for Advanced Theological Studies in Jerusalem. He is chairman of the Institute's academic council.

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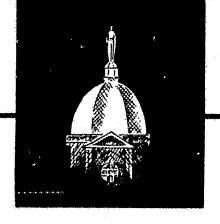
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Notre Dame, Ind. -- Two articles by Louis L. Hasley, professor of English at the University of Notre Dame and president of the Indiana College English Association, are appearing in current magazines.

In an article on the poetry of Phyllis McGinley, published in the current issue of Catholic World, Hasley describes her as the equal of any light verse poet that America has produced. Another study of an American humorist, "Ring Lardner: The Ashes of Idealism," is appearing in the Autumn issue of Arizona Quarterly. Hasley describes Lardner as "America's foremost satirist."

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Notre Dame, Ind. -- In a letter to President Nixon, the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame, has suggested a voice for the nation's higher education community in setting national priorities.

Father Hesburgh's letter was a reply to President Nixon's recent mailing to some 900 university administrators, trustees and others of a copy of an article written by Dr. Sidney Hook, a professor of philosophy at New York University, which described the demands of student militants as a threat to academic freedom.

Noting that he had endorsed publicly many of the positions taken by Hook, Father Hesburgh wrote the President, "One must still seek for the roots of student unrest. My own best opinion is that, while students often talk about basic problems, such as war and peace, civil rights, poverty, environment, and quality of life, basically they are questioning the priorities of our nation as reflected in the national budget. On this point, they have some valid objections/which all of us should be concerned."

Father Hesburgh elaborated his thoughts on national priorities in a memorandum he enclosed and to which he called the President's attention. The memorandum, which grew out of a discussion last May between the board of directors of the American Council on Education and the President's adviser, Dr. Alexander Heard, suggests that if the American academic community wants to be heard in the White House, it should have some positive suggestions. "It seems to me," Notre Dame's president says in the memorandum,

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"that the most important matter facing the nation in which we could have a very positive, intellectual input would be entitled, 'Priorities for the Nation.' "

While admitting that the nation "cannot be run by 2,500 institutions of higher education, nor should it be," Father Hesburgh points out that the higher education community -- faculty, students, administration, trustees and alumni -- represents at least 30 per cent of the nation's population.

"I fully realize," he writes, "that it is rather difficult to organize a totality as great as this, but it would seem to me that we could set up consortia of universities and colleges having similar backgrounds and concerns, and, within these institutions, form bodies who could devise sets of priorities, or national values, or scenarios for the future that would be acceptable to the majority of our members."

The memorandum predicts that the President and the Congress would find such a distillation of ideas helpful and that the willingness of the higher education community to tackle the nation's problems might "restore public confidence in the university as an institution integral to the progress of this nation."