Commission report urges leadership

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The Civil Rights Commission, in its final chariman's report, recommended that Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of Notre Dame, be credited for the commission's recommendation that the federal government should establish a permanent civil rights body. In its 13 year history, the commission said, in a 1,157 page report, the federal government should establish a permanent civil rights body under the chairmanship of President Nixon. The recommendations were largely supported by the respective colleges with the exception of five seniors and five faculty members representing the individual colleges. The faculty members are: Professor Walter Nigenski (Arts and Letters), Dr. Frederick W. Dow (Business Administration), Dr. Emil T. Mundt (Science), Dr. James P. Koho (Engineering), and President John Broderick (Law).

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Pears said the portrait may be that of Fred J. Fisher of Detroit but this could not be verified. The eyes were "punched out" and pencil marks were scratched on the surface according to Pears.

The portraits of Fisher and his wife, Martha, were stolen sometime before 4:30 a.m. last Thursday according to Fisher Hall Rector, Rev. Jerome M. Boyle, C.S.C. The theft was called "childish and silly" by Rev. Boyle.

No value was placed on the pictures, but they are considered to be worth a large sum of money.

A mysterious person or persons called S.A.D. is believed responsible for the theft.

Feminists plans talk

Ti Grace Atkinson, president of the National Organization for Women (NOW), will speak at 4:30 p.m. Thursday (Oct. 15) in O'Laughlin Auditorium on the Saint Mary's College campus. Miss Atkinson's address, sponsored by the Notre Dame-Saint Mary's Student Union Academic Commission, is open to the public. She succeeded Betty Friedan, author of "The Feminine Mystique," as president of NOW, and is a candidate for a Ph.D. in philosophy at Columbia University.

The feminist leader has also written and spoken about feminism and human rights as it written and spoken about feminism and human rights and, as president of NOW, and was instrumental in declaring August 26, 1966, a national holiday.

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Drugs discussion slated Oct. 27

The Board of Trustees would approve the final selections of the recipient at commencement.

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Mike Creany: getting an offensive edge

Mike Creany is learning a lot. Here he gets ready to block on an early in the first inning. Mike has improved steadily as a defensive end for the Irish in his first year at Notre Dame.
New book says Viet war opposed for selfish reasons

Americans generally oppose the war in Vietnam for selfish rather than moral reasons.

So write the authors of Vietnam and the Silent Majority. The Dove's Guide, recently published by Harper and Row. They are:

Milton J. Rosenberg, Professor of Social Psychology at the University of Chicago.

Sidney Verba, Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago, and

Philip E. Converse, Professor of Political Science and Sociology at the University of Michigan.

The authors say that people oppose the war because it is intruding into their lives and hurting them in ways that are very close to home. They characterize this sentiment as follows: "If the damned war would just disappear. It is really messing up our lives and messing up this country."

One major reason for opposition to the war is probably based on an economic push. It could be said, the authors wrote, that the opposition to the war among the general American public is closely related to the decline of the economy or the rise in the cost of living.

An early study of attitudes toward the war revealed that many more Americans were willing to accept several hundred American casualties each week as a price of continuing the war than were willing to accept a rise in taxes, the authors say.

When the Gallup poll asked in 1967 about a "suggestion" that "income taxes be raised to help pay for the war in Vietnam," 70 per cent of those answering were opposed.

The authors contrast this to the public's general reaction to reports of the My Lai massacre. According to a Harris poll in January, 1970, for example, the reaction can perhaps be best described as bland, the authors feel.

This does not mean that there is no opposition to the seemingly never-ending destruction in Indo-China within the general American outlook, the authors say.

Another source of opposition to the war, the three say, may be the growing feeling among Americans that the war is affecting the "quality of life" in America. They report that in the mind of the typical American, student riots, violence at home, and the growth of a counter-culture all tend to be seen as part of a general deterioration of American life.

Motivations are varied for opposing the war and wanting its swift end. Perhaps most Americans derive their feelings from the way in which the war has intruded upon their lives.

House member's group to meet

On Thursday, October 15, a group of Notre Dame students supporting Democratic congressman Allard Lowenstein of Long Island will organize their pre-election campaign activities.

Lowenstein is a leading House liberal and is in a tough fight for re-election. The organizers of the group being formed to help him hope for a large turnout for this meeting.

Lance Carey, Ed Davey, and Dennis Duggan are the organizers.

Pre-Law Society - Case-Western Reserve Franklin Thomas Backus School of Law, Cleveland, Ohio. Daniel T. Curley Assistant Dean is scheduling interviews for prospective students on Tuesday, October 20, in Room 205 Business Building.

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