UNIVERSITY OPPOSES ANNEXATION MOVE

Notre Dame is threatened with annexation by the City of South Bend in a Common Council hearing and vote scheduled for January 25th. The University has expressed its vigorous opposition to the proposal in several ways including a meeting of community leaders, a "white paper" distributed widely throughout the city, a news conference and a special television program. The city also proposes the simultaneous annexation of Saint Mary's College and Holy Cross Junior College. The University contends that the cost of providing municipal services to the campuses would more than offset per capita tax rebate revenues which the city would receive from the State of Indiana. More importantly, annexation is seen as a prelude to eventual municipal taxation on the three private institutions, a matter of increasing concern to independent colleges and universities throughout the country. Other consequences of annexation: loss of the Notre Dame post office and the dateline, "Notre Dame, Indiana," and, with the lowering of the voting age to 18, the addition
of nearly 10,000 transient students to the city's electorate.

The University maintains that neither the city's business and industrial development nor Notre Dame's economic, educational and cultural contributions to the city depend on the campus being within the city limits. Finally, Notre Dame regards the annexation move as a divisive act, impairing the spirit of mutual friendship and helpfulness which has marked relations between the city and the campus for 128 years.

GRADUATE EDUCATION EVALUATED BY A.C.E.

Fourteen areas of graduate education at Notre Dame figure in a nationwide rating survey conducted at 130 institutions by the American Council on Education.

The 1969 study, to which 6,093 scholars contributed evaluations, gave Notre Dame's chemistry department the highest rating of "strong or distinguished."

Five areas of graduate study at the University were rated as "good": philosophy, entomology, mathematics, physics and chemical engineering.

The rating of "adequate plus" was accorded eight Notre Dame graduate programs: English, history, sociology, microbiology, zoology, civil engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering.

Notre Dame does not offer the doctorate in fourteen of the thirty-six disciplines involved in the study, (e.g., music, French and geography.) On the other hand, several areas in which the University has doctoral programs, e.g., theology, mediaeval studies and metallurgical engineering, do not figure in the ACE survey.

NOTRE DAME-SAINT MARY'S REPORT RECEIVED

A consultants' report recommending that Saint Mary's College "join the University of Notre Dame as a separate and distinctive entity operating within the larger University framework" has been received by officials of the two institutions. The report, prepared by Dr. Rosemary Park of UCLA and Dr. Lewis Mayhowe of Stanford, will be considered by the executive committees of the schools' boards of trustees at a joint meeting in March. Meanwhile, its recommendations are being studied by students, faculty, administrators, alumni and friends of the two institutions.

The 10,500 word report recommends that the College adopt the official name of "Saint Mary's College in the University of Notre Dame" and concentrate primarily on an educational program for women. The consultants did not rule out the possibility that the two corporate entities might merge eventually. "For the immediate future, however," they said, "the two institutions can function cooperatively while still retaining separate corporate identity and the separate interests of the sponsoring communities." Less desirable alternatives in their view is the possibility of both institutions going coeducational or the simple absorption of Saint Mary's by the University.

NEW ALUMNI PRESIDENT, DIRECTORS ANNOUNCED

Robert A. Erkins, '45, president of Thousand Springs Trout Farms, Inc., Buhl, Idaho, assumes the presidency of the Notre Dame Alumni Association at a campus meeting of its board of directors February 4-6.

Newly-elected to the fifteen-member alumni board are Joseph G. Bertrand, '54, president of the Highland Community Bank, Chicago; Paul J. Doyle, '36, vice president of the Rede Company, Houston, Tex.; Mayor Peter F. Flaherty of Pittsburgh, a 1951 law graduate; William K. McGowan, Jr., '57, vice president of the American Fletcher National Bank and Trust Co., Indianapolis; and Charles F. Osborn, '38, Seattle attorney.

LAWLESS RESIGNS: MURPHY NAMED ACTING DEAN

Dean William B. Lawless of the Notre Dame Law School is relinquishing his post February 1st to become a partner and head of the litigation staff of one of New York's largest and most prestigious law firms. Professor Edward J. Murphy will serve as acting dean pending the appointment of a successor.

Since becoming dean in 1968, Lawless doubled law school enrollment, established the second-year abroad program in London, launched the $6 million Notre Dame Law Center Program.
and inaugurated a computerized study of court delay, in conjunction with the College of Engineering with the support of a U.S. Justice Department grant. During the same period the Law School produced its first woman graduate and minority group enrollment grew to 9%.

RECENT RESEARCH GRANTS NOTED

The University received grants totaling $749,921 in November and $823,549 in December for the support of research, new facilities and educational programs.

Among the larger grants were $425,000 from the National Science Foundation to underwrite the Nuclear Structure Laboratory's program in nuclear spectroscopy for the coming year and $85,000 from the Atomic Energy Commission supporting the research of eleven theoreticians in nuclear physics, atomic structure, elementary particles and solid state physics.

GALLERY, THEATRE OFFERINGS LISTED

Prime examples of sculpture and decorative arts from a presently overlooked culture are featured in Persian Art from the Collection of Wolfe" in the University Gallery through February 28th. Beginning January 31st the gallery will have an exhibition devoted to the art of textiles from the 16th through the 20th centuries.

The Notre Dame-St. Mary's Theatre will be presenting Lillian Hellman's "The Little Foxes" in Washington Hall Feb. 19, 20, 21, 25, 26 & 27.

COMPUTER TO BE INSTALLED, DEPARTMENT DROPPED

The University is installing a $1.4 million IBM computer (360/50) to replace the eight-year old UNIVAC 1107, but the academic department of computing science is being discontinued May 31. The new machine offers vastly increased capacity for information processing and storage. In addition to increasing Notre Dame's research and teaching capability, it will eventually handle all of the University's major administrative records.

Courses formerly taught by the department of computing science will be offered in the future by several departments in the four undergraduate colleges.

THE UNIVERSITY-AT-LARGE

Rev. Thomas Chambers, C.S.C., director of student residence, will speak on "Student Life at Notre Dame" at a luncheon meeting of the University's alumni and friends in the English Room of Marshall Field and Co., Chicago, on Feb. 2 at 12:15 p.m.

The University's anticipated cash deficit for 1970-71 is $70,000, a relatively small amount considering the fiscal situation of many of the larger and most prestigious private universities.

Three films dealing with Notre Dame will be available to alumni clubs and other organizations beginning early February. They are "Shake Up the Echoes," produced by NBC Television for its "First Tuesday" program; the "1970 Football Highlights," including the Cotton Bowl victory over Texas; and "A World Under One Roof," a promotional film dealing with the Athletic and Convocation Center.

rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Notre Dame president, has accepted an invitation to address the National Catholic Educational Association convention in Minneapolis April 12-15.

In cooperation with Alumni Holidays, Inc., the Notre Dame Alumni Association is sponsoring "April in Paris," an eight-day visit to the French capital April 1-9. The round-trip charge per person from New York City is $369. Retired alumni secretary James E. Armstrong and Mrs. Armstrong will be the tour hosts.

Beginning in September, the University will offer the degree of Master of Science in Environmental Engineering.

The 19th annual Notre Dame National Invitational Debate Tournament will be held in the Center for Continuing Education March 5-7.

New books by Notre Dame authors include Between Nothingness and Paradise by Prof. Gerhart Niemeyer and Evolution in Perspective, edited by Dr. George N. Shuster & Prof. Ralph E. Thorson.

The Carnegie Corporation of New York has awarded Notre Dame a $56,000 grant to conduct summer institutes for teachers of philosophy in Catholic colleges in 1971 and 1972. The topic
for this year's institute is "The Structure of Science."

A total of 3,469 students or 54% of the undergraduate student body are receiving $5,393,512 in financial aid during the current school year.

Rev. Joseph L. Walter, C.S.C., associate professor of chemistry, has been appointed acting chairman of the department of pre-professional studies succeeding the late Dr. Lawrence Baldinger.

Dean Bernard Waldman of the College of Science has been named by Governor Edgar Whitcomb to a State Commission on Medical Education.

Dr. Josephine Massingerd-Ford, associate professor of theology, is one of two women named to a Catholic Theological Society of America committee formed to advise the American hierarchy on the diaconate.

Notre Dame's director of development, Frank G. Kelly, will conduct two-day seminars on "Running a Deferred Giving Program" in San Francisco, New York and Chicago beginning March 3rd in association with the Philanthropy Tax Institute and the American Academy of Fund Raising Science.

Representing the University at the meeting of the College Athletic Business Managers' Ass'n in Houston January 11-12 were business manager Robert Cahill, athletic director Edward W. Krause and ticket manager Donald Bouffard. Cahill is president-elect of the organization.

Dr. Robert Gordon, associate dean of the College of Science, has been elected chairman of the Science Information Council of the National Science Foundation.


The University's director of admissions, Dr. Peter P. Grande, is one of sixteen educators who currently are selecting 1,000 winners from among 14,000 finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Competition.

A conference on the profitable use of census statistics by the public will be held at the Center for Continuing Education Feb. 3rd under sponsorship of the U. S. Census Bureau and Notre Dame's Institute for Urban Studies.

Prof. Robert Betchov of the aerospace and mechanical engineering department will conduct research at the Institute for Atmospheric Physics in Moscow from February to August in conjunction with a scientist exchange program between the U. S. and the Soviet Union.

 Appearing on the program of the American Historical Association in Boston Dec. 28-30 were Notre Dame historians: Profs. Leon Bernard, Frederick Pike, John Williams, James E. Ward, Philip Gleason and Bernard Norling.

Dr. James Kritzeck, professor of Oriental languages and history, has been elected to the executive council of the American Catholic Historical Association. He will deliver the Haskell Lectures at Oberlin College this year.

Notre Dame has been designated as a test center for the National Teacher Examinations on January 30th. Additional information may be obtained from Dr. Robert E. Glennen, associate professor of education.

The annual Nieuwland Lectures will be delivered February 1-5 by Dr. Christian S. Anfinsen, chief of the Laboratory of Chemical Biology at the National Institute of Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases.

With the support of a $125,000 grant from the U. S. Office of Education, a team of Notre Dame researchers headed by Dr. Frank J. Fahey will conduct an eight-month study of economic problems in non-public schools for the President's non-public schools for thence.


Prof. Ernest Eliee of the department of chemistry has been listed by Science Citation Indext as among the world's fifty scientists most cited by other researchers.