REPORT PROGRESS TOWARD NOTRE DAME-SAINT MARY'S UNIFICATION

The Boards of Trustees of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College, meeting separately on May 14th, will consider the unification of the two schools, as recommended by their respective executive committees. Meantime, the board of the College's Parents Council endorsed the proposed unification at an April 17th meeting. The Notre Dame and St. Mary's chapters of the American Association of University Professors met jointly on April 21st to hear the AAUP's associate general secretary speak on the implications of unification for faculty members. Coeducation will be the subject of the opening session of Notre Dame's Alumni Board and Senate meeting on April 29th at 3 p.m. Discussions pointing toward unification are underway involving corresponding academic departments at the two institutions. The trustees' unification recommendation calls for a single student body of men and women, one faculty, one president, one administration and one board of trustees, all to be accomplished not later than the 1974-1975 school year.
SHAFFER NAMED LAW DEAN

The new dean of the Notre Dame Law School is Prof. Thomas L. Shaffer, currently on leave at UCLA's School of Law. Shaffer, an estate planning specialist who has been serving as associate dean, assumes his new duties July 1 succeeding Dean William B. Lawless. He was graduated from the Notre Dame Law School ten years ago and joined its faculty in 1963. He is the author of the new book, Death, Property and Lawyers (University Press of Cambridge).

SET UNION-MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

The Notre Dame-St. Mary's Union-Management Conference, now in its 19th year, will be held in O'Laughlin Auditorium June 11th. The theme of the sessions will be "A Realistic Look at Negotiations Today."

Principal speakers will include John R. Cooke, senior vice president for personnel administration, Associates Corporate Services Co., Inc.; Gilbert Jewell, president of the Allied Industrial Workers of America, AFL-CIO; and John F. Sembower, member of the Board of Governors, National Academy of Arbitrators. The founding director of the conference is Rev. Mark J. Fitzgerald, C.S.C., professor of economics.

ANNUAL FUND TOTAL REPORTED

Forty-six percent of Notre Dame's alumni contributed $2,120,249 to the 1970 Annual Fund. The gifts of honorary alumni swelled the total to $2,642,896. The Class of 1954 had the greatest percentage of participation (58%), the Class of 1965 had the greatest number of contributors (565), and the Class of 1955 contributed the largest amount ($344,909).

Head football coach Ara Parseghian has sent the initial 1971 Annual Fund letter to Notre Dame's alumni and friends. Noting that "even the oldest, most prestigious and affluent universities are faced with staggering financial problems," Parseghian writes: "Operating at a deficit, however small, is like playing catch-up football. Believe me, it's better to be points ahead on the scoreboard or to have the budget in the black."

APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

Recent University appointments include those of L. Franklin Long as acting director of the Memorial Library, succeeding Rev. James W. Simonson, C.S.C., who resigned; Robert V. Watkins, formerly of the Bendix Corporation, as assistant director of purchasing; and Louis J. Cohen as assistant director of internal auditing.

SCHEDULE THEATRE, GALLERY EVENTS

The Notre Dame-St. Mary's Theatre will present Lionel Bart's musical, "Oliver," in O'Laughlin Auditorium May 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8.

Contemporary Art by Notre Dame Seniors is an East Gallery exhibition scheduled for April 25-May 23. The Gallery's advisory council has selected works from the University's permanent collection for a major showing in the West Gallery for May 16-June 27.

O'HARA, REILLY, SCHMITT LECTURES HELD

"Our Transportation Problem -- How Can We Solve It?" was the title of a Cardinal O'Hara Lecture delivered recently in the College of Business Administration by Dr. Paul W. Cherington, professor of transportation in Harvard's Graduate School of Business Administration.

A series of three Peter C. Reilly Lectures on "Molecular Motions in Liquids" were given in mid-April by Dr. Robert W. Zwanzig of the Institute for Fluid Dynamics and Applied Mathematics at the University of Maryland.

In an Arthur J. Schmitt Challenges in Science Lecture, Dr. Carl Djerassi, professor of chemistry at Stanford University, discussed "Future Prospects in Birth Control."

HESBURGH TO ACCEPT FOUR HONORS

Notre Dame's president, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., will be honored by four institutions and organizations in the weeks ahead.

The Indiana State Bar Association will present its Liberty Bell Award to him at a Luncheon in Indianapolis April 28th marking Law Day USA.
On May 13th the American Jewish Committee will award its American Liberties Medallion to Father Hesburgh in a ceremony at New York's Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

He will deliver the baccalaureate sermon and receive a honorary degree during the commencement exercises of Utah State University on June 4-5.

Father Hesburgh will receive another honorary doctorate from Lehigh University on June 13th.

Schubmehl Completing Half-Century of Service

Prof. Raymond J. Schubmehl, assistant dean of the College of Engineering, retires from the faculty next month after fifty years of teaching and administrative work at the University. He is believed to be only the second lay faculty member to serve the University for a half-century.

He will be among those honored at the President's Dinner in the North Dining Hall on May 6th, and the College of Engineering is holding a testimonial dinner in his honor in the ACC's Monogram Room on May 6th.

A counselor to deans as well as students through the years, Schubmehl joined the faculty in 1921 when Notre Dame had a total enrollment of approximately 1,200, and its graduating class numbered 117. At that time the College of Engineering had a student body of 322 with ten faculty members teaching engineering and architecture courses.

Among Schubmehl's fellow faculty members in 1921 were Father Julius Mieuwland, C.S.C., botany and chemistry; George N. Shuster, English; Knute K. Rockne, chemistry; Father John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., commerce; and Paul I. Fenlon, English.

Business Administration Faculty Developments

Four faculty members in the College of Business Administration have figured in the news recently. Dr. John R. Malone, associate dean, has been awarded a Foundation for Economic Education Fellowship and will spend six weeks this summer at Miles Laboratories in Elkhart.

Dr. Norton E. Marks, chairman of the department of marketing, has been appointed chairman of a newly-created marketing department at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge.

Dr. Bernard J. Kilbride, chairman of the department of finance and business economics, has been named as a special advisor to the educational committee of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

Prof. Michael P. Litka, of the department of management, addressed a spring seminar of the North Atlantic Business Law Association at Suffolk University in Boston April 10th.

Seniors Awarded Danforth Grants

Two Notre Dame seniors -- John G. Hessler of Greensburg, Ind., and Steven J. Brion of Lindenhurst, N. Y. -- have been awarded Danforth Foundation fellowships for up to four years of graduate study. Eighteen hundred college seniors competed for the 107 grants which were made by the St. Louis philanthropic organization.

The University-at-Large

Franklin D. Schurz, editor and publisher of THE SOUTH BEND TRIBUNE, has resigned from Notre Dame's Board of Trustees and will become an Honorary Trustee of the University.

Prof. James C. Carberry has been named editor of the new publication, CHEMICAL REACTION ENGINEERING NEWS. He has been lecturing at several European universities.

Notre Dame's theology department will sponsor a series of lectures next year marking the 25th anniversary of the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

Dean Joseph Hogan of the College of Engineering moderated a discussion on "Education and Man's Needs" at the 8th annual Institute for Engineering Deans at the University of Texas April 5-7.

Composer Norman Dello Joio's "Evocations" will be the principal work when the South
Bend Symphony Orchestra and its Symphonic Choir appear in concert at the Athletic and Convocation Center May 16th at 8:00 p.m.

The National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded fellowships to Dr. John J. Lyon of the General Program and Dr. Thomas A. Werge of the English department. With the support of a $9,000 grant, Lyon will pursue advanced studies at the Universities of Toronto and Buffalo as well as at Notre Dame. Werge has received a $1,500 summer stipend for advanced study in American literature here.


During the month of March the University received grants totaling $272,689 in support of research and new facilities.

Dr. Charles F. Ehret, an Argonne National Laboratory scientist who received his doctorate in zoology from Notre Dame in 1951, has received the Distinguished Appointment Award and a $5,000 prize from the Argonne Universities Association. Through his research Ehret has developed his Chronon Theory of Circadian (daily) Rhythms which states that biological time sense is a special and inevitable feature of the gene action systems of higher plants and animals, including man.

Major post-commencement and summer events at Notre Dame include the following: Conference on Christian Penance, June 6-10; Notre Dame Alumni Reunion, June 10-12; NCAA Tennis Championships, June 11-19; Project Aurora, July 4-17; National Council of Community Churches, July 20-24; Cursillo Movement, July 25-Aug. 1; American Youth on Parade, Aug. 4-8; Laymen's Retreat, Aug. 13-15; Midwest Mobile Home Show, Aug. 15-21; and Christian Family Movement, Aug. 23-29.

Prof. Karamjit S. Rai of the department of biology participated in an international seminar on "Genetics and Our Health" April 5-8 held in New Delhi under the sponsorship of the Indian Council of Medical Research.

A Fulbright-Hays grant has been awarded to Dr. Robert E. Clay, associate professor of mathematics. During the 1971-72 school year he will teach at University College in the African country of Ghana.

Prof. Milton Burton, director of the Radiation Laboratory, will address the annual award dinner of the Society of Sigma Xi in the Monogram Room April 28th at 8 p.m. His subject: "The Immorality of Ignorance."

Dr. Charles Allen, professor of metallurgical engineering and materials science, is lecturing at universities in Italy, Yugoslavia and Belgium during latter April and early May.

Notre Dame will be host to the American Football and Basketball Conference on March 23-26, 1972.

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Editorial Projects for Education, Inc., an organization associated with The American Alumni Council, has issued a special report, "Are Americans Losing Faith in Their Colleges?" According to the report, the public's loss of confidence in the colleges and universities threatens not only their financial welfare, but their freedom as well. It quotes McGeorge Bundy, president of The Ford Foundation and former Harvard dean:

"To the degree that violence subsides and the university community as such is kept separate from political conflict, the danger of attack upon the freedom of the university from the outside will be reduced. No institution which depends upon society for its resources will be allowed -- as an institution -- to choose sides in the general contests of the democratic process, and violence by the privileged is an uncommonly unpopular phenomenon. If it be true, as I believe, that both politics and violence must be restrained in the academic world for reasons that are intrinsic to the nature of the university, it is also true that when violence spreads and the university is politicized, society as a whole turns hostile -- and in a prolong contest with society as a whole, the university is not a likely winner."