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We are plunging headlong toward great construction activity on our campus. In accordance with the desire of E. M. Rosenthal of Hollywood, who is contributing our Student Activities Center, the preliminaries on this project are being rushed at full speed. The architect, James M. Hartley of Hollywood, has been officially commissioned and is immersed in preparing the design. Our schedule calls for taking bids on construction in April or May on this $300,000 memorial to the late Mrs. Esther Rosenthal...

In the meantime, April 16 remains definite as the date for breaking ground for the Physical Science Center, which is to be built with the $1 million provided by our anonymous donor in December...

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The last week of 1965 was a most memorable one for the University and its supporters. It brought us not only the Rosenthal gift, but these also:

$105,000 from the Robert O. Law Foundation of Fort Lauderdale for a professorship in physics and chemistry—our first endowed chair;

$50,000 for operating expenses from George W. English, the prominent Fort Lauderdale attorney, senior partner in the firm of English McCaughan & O'Bryan and chairman of the board of the First National Bank;

and $25,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hancock of Hollywood for a memorial which is to be a Seminar Room in the Core Building of Davie Hall, our first residence structure.

The Law Foundation grant will be paid over three years at $35,000 per year.

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Charter membership in the Nova University Association closed at midnight on Dec. 31 with approximately 200 persons registered-- a very fine cross-section of the leadership of the Broward community. The first annual meeting is to be held this month, at a date and place which we will announce in the next issue of the University News...

A very successful "Nova Night" was held Jan. 1 at the Hollywood Kennel Club, thanks to the splendid cooperation of General Manager Tom Lynch and his fine staff. This was the first of the 1966 University benefit days at the pari-mutuel establishments in the county, and we are hopeful that it will produce as much as $20,000 for our operating expenses...

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In the meantime, it's not too early to begin making sure that you'll be present at the next Nova Night -- April 7 at the Jai-Alai Palace in Dania... and at the big Nova Day at Gulfstream Park on April 23... 

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This month will see the launching of our fund campaign among the businesses and industries of the county for operating funds for the next five years. As major contributions flow in for the buildings on the campus, there will naturally be a need for money to meet the day-to-day expenses of planning, development and recruitment of faculty members (two of whom are expected to conclude contracts with us this month). The campaign will undertake to demonstrate the great benefits which all business and all industry will receive from the presence of Nova University here in this area... in the hope that many firms will want to invest in this guarantee of strong future economic growth.

As George W. English declared on making his contribution of $50,000 to the University: "I know of no enterprise now in progress here that will return more to the business community for each dollar invested in it."

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