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Thursday The Texas A&M Sports Car The Graduate Student Council b will elect officers at a 7:30 will meet in Room 3-D of the Friday The Chess Committee will meet

to record Vietnam study at 7:30 p.m. in rooms 3A, 3B and 3C of the Memorial Student Censpreading on the the public record a 1969 government study criti-

cal of Vietnam policies now being followed by President Nixon. The Senate recessed until Thursday after Republican Whip Robert Griffin refused to accede to a unanimous consent resolution that would have allowed the Alaska Democrat to put into The Congressional Record a 500-page

memorandum prepared for Nixon as he was taking over the presidency. The study already has been published, in part, by some news-

papers and magazines. It challenges the efficacy of massive bombing in checking the enemy, and questions the overall promise of the Vietnamization program to which Nixon is committed. Gravel said he will continue his efforts to place the full document

Thursday. Meanwhile, he said, he has distributed excerpts from the still

classified papers to fellow sen-

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Gravel was blocked Tuesday from presidential candidates. And he said he would continue to do so even at the risk of a censure motion for disclosing official secrets.

Gravel blocked in move

"When President Nixon adopted his Vietnam policy in 1969, he knew it could not extricate the nation from the Indochina quagmire," Gravel told the Senate. "His highest advisers told him

days after he took office that Vietnamization supported by massive American air power had not worked in the past and was not likely to succeed in the future," Gravel said.

Gravel said he may move to have the record-question put to a full floor vote, which he believes will require each senator to make a moral decision on the question.

In a news conference a few minutes later, the senator, who had read the Pentagon papers into the record, said Griffin must have objected for partisan reasons, adding the White House is against them being made public.

The papers apparently consist National Security Council Memorandum No. 1 prepared at the order of Henry Kissinger to determine the status and effectiveness of Vietnam operations as the President took office.

The memorandum consists of 27 questions. The bulk of the

TRY papers is made up of responses to these questions from the BATTALION CLASSIFIED

WASHINGTON (P)-Sen. Mike ators, including some Democratic Central Intelligence Agency, the State Department, the Pentagon, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and other agencies.

"We can see from these documents that President Nixon did not heed their evaluations when he developed his Vietnam policy. Instead, he designed his policy solely to avoid the appearance of a military defeat in Southeast Asia which could be attributed to his presidency," Gravel said.

He said the President provoked the current offensive of the North Vietnamese. The North did not want to attack, he said, because they felt it would bring a resumption of bombing of the North and jeopardize the peace talks. But Nixon, he said, called off the peace talks, provoking the offensive.

Tuesday morning editions of The Washington Post had the NSC questions and excerpts of answers from the agencies.

To that newspaper the indications were the uniformed military in 1969 was hopeful but the CIA, State Department and civilian levels at the Pentagon were more skeptical of how things looked then and pessimistic about the future.

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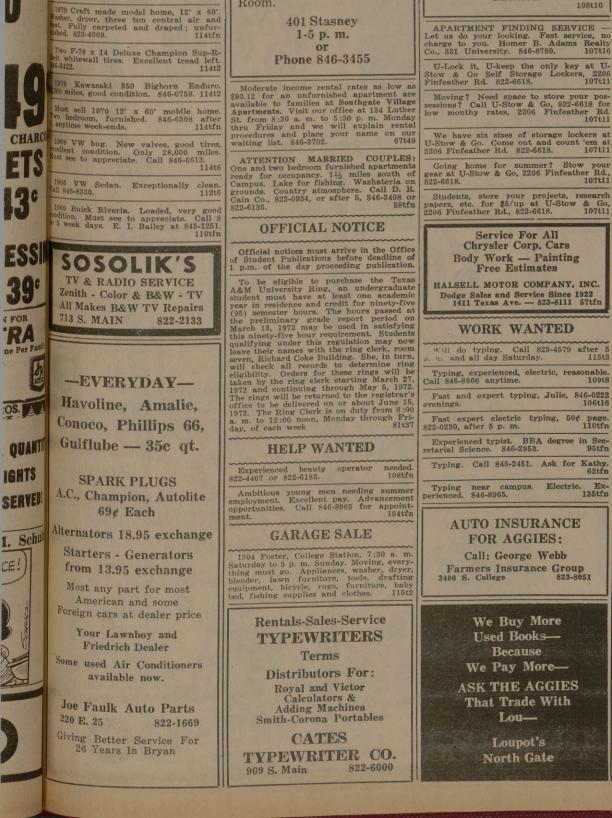
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> in the Record, and he arranged to be recognized for 15 minutes when the Senate resumes business





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