New MAC research

More equipment in project revision

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The present applications of Project MAC are two-fold. First, it is being used in a reflective capacity to develop itself. Planning has already been started on new systems programming, which hopefully will be tested and debugged by September of next year when the GIE 635 will be fully installed.

Second, Project MAC has been utilized by each of the two main groups of teams, activities, and experiments, that it makes a part of the term Project MAC. Indeed it is simultaneously several projects in one. It is being used experimentally in the classroom to evaluate its own usefulness. It is used by the Civil Engineering Department, combining all aspects of design and implementation. The Graduate School of Management is using it to simulate management situations. The Artificial Intelligence Research Group is utilizing, MAC in an experiment in computer heuristic intuition and judgment. It is being used as a documentary retriever in the library, as a source of bibliographies and cross-references. The Plastics Electronic Group has claimed that it could not operate without the services of MAC. It is being used in political science in the development of a communications system behind the Iron Curtain. Its applications have also been seen in mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, nuclear engineering, architecture, solid-state physics, mineralogy, and oceanography. In addition, its services are also available to certain groups at the University of Illinois, Carnegie Tech, and the University of Michigan, among others. The versatility of Project MAC is undoubtedly overwhelming.

NASA Center location discussed

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Center will employ 2000 by 1970 and spend an annual Federal budget of $177 million in defense and research contracts. Of the 43 acres in the proposed site, 35 acres between Broadway and Main Street, from Kendall Square to Technology Square, would be privately developed by tax paying firms. The 33 acres north of Broadway St. would be occupied by NASA only.

Class, even in snow

Unless otherwise announced, the Institute will remain open when the snows come. Between 6:30 and 9:00 P.M., WJAR (550 kc) and WBBZ (1300 kc) will announce if classes are cancelled.

This announcement was made last week as a reminder from the office of Paul A. Stoddard, Vice President in charge of Operations and Personnel. The notice states that "classes will be held unless the announcement states otherwise."