

Science Building Postponed Again

Plans for a University science building, in the dream stage since before the war, received another setback last month when the state board of higher education postponed construction indefinitely because of increased building costs.

However, the board did vote to expand the library and music school.

Bids on the proposed women's dormitory were rejected, when it was learned that all bids were higher than the board had estimated the cost to be.

The board also rejected the petition of Spencer R. Collins and associates to reopen sale of the Miner building in downtown Eugene. There had reportedly been some criticism of the \$355,000 consideration for which the University had sold the office building some months ago.

To Have Started in Fall

Construction of the new science building and laboratory was to have been started this fall on East 14th avenue between Alder and Kincaid streets. In lieu of this construction the board authorized expenditure of \$750,000 for enlarging the University library to twice its present seating capacity. Original allocation for this project was \$330,000.

The \$75,000 originally earmarked for expanding the music building was raised to \$195,000.

Construction of the new women's dormitory was postponed another year, when all six of the bids opened Tuesday were above the University estimate of \$2,000,000. Lowest bid was \$2,800,000. The proposed dormitory would have housed 480 students. It was to have been built on Emerald street between 13th and 14th.

Stands Pat on Sale

The board refused to reopen the Miner building sale, after a recommendation of the finance committee held there was no cause to reconsider the bargain between the state and the Eugene Medical Center, Inc.

The petition of Collins and associates, which was heard in closed committee session Monday offered to pay \$455,000 (\$100,000 more than the original sale) for the building, subject to the same terms as those entered with the medical center.

E. H. Peterson, Eugene real estate man, appeared before the finance committee and testified the building would bring \$500,000 at present real estate prices.

Hugh Mossman, engineer, testified that costs of building a similar structure would be more than \$900,000.

Reads Petition

But Dr. H. R. Allumbaugh, vice-president of the Medical Center, appeared before the committee with a statement signed by the 37 doctors in the corporation, which read in part:

"We respectfully submit that as a matter of good faith and fair dealing, the board should not participate in any way in requiring us to defend either our title or our possession in the courts or elsewhere."

The question of negotiated sale vs. calling for bids was brought up, and Charles Byrne, secretary of the state board, said, "In the 17 years I've been here, it has been the practice when disposing of property to negotiate sales. This (Miner building) affair is the first time that practice has been questioned."

Sale of the building for the \$355,000 figure has reportedly aroused some adverse comment among Eugene businessmen who accused the University of "throwing its money around."

Also postponed because of high construction costs was a teaching hospital for the medical school in Portland. Instead of this an appropriation was made for administrative and laboratory quarters at a cost of \$180,000. The board approved construction of 30 apartments for faculty members at Adair Village near Oregon State college at a cost of \$75,000.

Students Warned To Check Housing

Married students planning to attend fall term and who do not have housing for the winter should contact the University housing office and get their names on the housing list, George Hall, acting dean of men, advises.

Mr. Hall said "Housing is going to be very critical this fall," and steps should be taken now to find housing. He reported that persons who filed for housing 18 months ago are just beginning to come up on the available list.

Mail Order Courses

Correspondence students registered for courses under the Oregon state system of higher education totaled 5084 for 1946-47. Miss Mozelle Hair, correspondence study head, states. Records compiled in the correspondence study offices here reveal that the 5084 were registered in some 6613 courses.

Of these registered 4043 are taking college credit courses, 243 non-credit courses, and 807 are registered in high school courses.

Teachers made up the largest portion with a total of 1070 registered. Next highest are student.

269 Brains Make Spring Honor Roll

Spring term "slump" notwithstanding, scholastic averages at the University shot upward after the close of the last spring term, with 269 students making grade point averages of 3.50 or better—to add their names to the largest honor roll in the history of the school.

Forty-one smarties made perfect grade records of a 4.00 average for the term. Seven of the top-graders were from Portland, 11 from Eugene. Eugene also led the honor roll with 74 students, Portland was second with 55.

Students must carry 12 or more hours per term in order to qualify for the honor roll.

Machine Grading Idea Abandoned

The IBM system for recording course registration and grades has been abandoned because of the constant changes and corrections which pour into the registrar's office after initial registration, according to Associate Registrar C. L. Constance.

Without the IBM system the speed of sorting and the printing done by the punch printer will be lost, but this will be more than offset by the greater efficiency in keeping up with frequent changes, Mr. Constance explained.

The IBM system will be used by the University to perform other statistical work.

Anthropologist Here On Dam Project

Philip Drucker, anthropologist from the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D. C., is on the campus in connection with his work in directing a survey of archeological sites on the Pacific Coast where dams are to be built.

The program, under the direction of the Smithsonian Institution, is being conducted in cooperation with the national park service, the bureau of reclamation, and the corps of engineers.

Mr. Drucker indicated that a survey of the sites is now necessary in order to save any material of value that might be located in the areas that will be flooded when the dams are built. He expects to remain in this territory until the latter part of September or October.

Vets' Dorms to Get Central Plant Heat

Heat from the University central plant will replace coal furnaces in veterans' dormitories No. 1 and 2, and will keep rooms at a uniform heat this winter, according to Mrs. Genevieve Turnipseed, director of dormitories.

The coal furnaces, which were a part of their equipment when the buildings were moved from the shipyards in Vancouver, were dirty and unpredictable and either put out too much heat or none at all.

Janet Kelsey Awarded Quota Club Scholarship

Janet Kelsey, sophomore music major from Eugene, has been awarded the scholarship given annually by the Eugene Quota club to the outstanding sophomore student.

Miss Kelsey, a piano student of Jane Thacher, professor of piano, has a cumulative grade point average for her freshman year of higher than 3-point.

The scholarship is for a full year's tuition, amounting to \$112.50.

Pacific Island Combing Lures Oregon Scientists

Two University of Oregon scientists, Dr. H. G. Barnett, associate professor curator of anthropology; and Allen Murphy, graduate student in anthropology, left the campus in July to participate in a cooperative scientific effort to reveal mysteries that for years have cloaked Japanese-mandated islands of the Pacific.

The two scientists will be one of 22 teams representing American study of cultural and physical anthropology, linguistics science, geography, psychological tests, techniques of population study, and analysis of cultural change in the Marshall, Marianas, and Caroline islands. The teams will work with the Pacific science board of the national research council in collaboration with the U. S. navy.

No information was available during Japanese occupation of these islands, which began at the close of World War I and ended with World War II. No comprehensive study had been made of the area since around 1900. The U. S. navy believes that with the aid of the findings of the investigators, a better administration of the territory will be possible.

The expedition is to be known as the coordinated investigation

Professor Receives Italian Journals

Chandler B. Beall, professor of romance languages, recently received copies of two Italian learned journals. Each contained a writeup, commenting favorably on Professor Beall's contributions on the late renaissance, Italian poet, Tasso.

Professor Beall has written two volumes and numerous published papers dealing with the influence of this poet in various foreign countries.

of Micronesian anthropology, or "CIMA," the project being an outgrowth of the Pacific science conference in Washington, D.C., in May, 1946.

Expenses of the project are to be met by funds and grants from the office of naval research and form institutions participating. The University of Oregon has been granted \$8000 for this purpose. The navy also is furnishing transportation facilities and much of the equipment.

Alum Awarded Legion of Merit

A University of Oregon alumnus, Lt. Col. Christopher W. Chaney, has been cited for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding services" and awarded the Legion of Merit by direction of President Truman.

Colonel Chaney came to the University from Roosevelt high school in Portland and was graduated in 1936. Receiving his reserve commission as a second lieutenant he was called to active duty in 1941. He is now chief of the service division at Third army headquarters.

The Oregon man served 30 months overseas in North Africa, France, Italy, Germany, and Austria. He was twice wounded in action.

2583 in Training

In Oregon, 2583 disabled veterans of World War II are now in training with the aid of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, Thomas Karnes, Veterans Administration training officer for this area, has reported.

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