



'STUDENT VOICE' AIRED

As Stadium Site

Flemming Firm On North Bank

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University President Arthur S. Flemming remains firm in his commitment to build a football stadium on the north bank of the Willamette river.

He met Monday with those most critical of the University's plans to put the stadium in North Bank area: members of the Central Lane Planning Council (CPLC), which is composed of 10 local municipal agencies.

And Flemming made it clear that he thinks many of these people are raising their objections too late.

He made that point most clearly in an exchange with Lane County Commissioner Kenneth Nielsen.

Earlier in the meeting Flemming had agreed to have architects work with a committee chosen by the CLCP in planning the stadium.

"What if the committee says the stadium can't be built on that site?" Nielsen wondered. "We feel that bridge has already been crossed," replied Flemming.

"Well, the rest of us don't feel that way," said Nielsen.

Stadium to Be Built

"As far as the University is concerned," Flemming said, his voice firm, "we're going to construct a football stadium on that site."

Friday Last Day To Pay Fees

Friday is the last day to pay registration fees for Spring term. Courses may be added or dropped through April 15. After April 15, course changes may not be made unless special permission is granted.

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At the other end of the table Nielsen leaned forward. "The scuttlebutt is that you can't handle the people there."

"We can do it and we are going to do it. That's final," Flemming said. "We're not going to ask for more land over there."

Later in the meeting Flemming said, "If we run up against an impossible brick wall, I hope we'll be reasonable enough to admit that the brick wall is there. But I don't anticipate that situation would develop."

What about the problems of access roads for the stadium? Several people had raised that question earlier, especially about whether Lane county would have to play a major financing role in the construction of roads.

County to Cooperate

"The county commissioners," said Flemming, "indicated that they would co-operate with us on building access roads." He added that the county had agreed in the Aug. 30 meeting with him that the stadium would be built on the North Bank site.

At that time the commissioners, the city of Eugene, and Flemming agreed to a statement which said, "the county stands ready to work with other public agencies to facilitate access to the park from the surrounding area, and it will work with the state highway office in developing suitable connections between major surrounding highways and the road system in the North Bank area."

The statement also declared that the commissioners agreed to put the stadium on the North Bank.

"Good Faith"

"The University has proceeded in good faith on the basis of that commitment," Flemming added. "I have had no communication from the county commissioners indicating a change in that commitment."

"I don't see how you read into that statement that the county has full responsibility for building access roads," Nielsen said.

"I'm not reading that into this," Flemming said. "I'm willing to

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Goldschmidt Leads Talks; Faculty, Students Speak

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More than 600 students and faculty gathered around the Free Speech Platform Wednesday afternoon to hear ASUO President Steve Goldschmidt, students and faculty members argue for student participation in the decision-making processes of higher education.

The crowd was silent, except for bursts of applause, as the four students and three faculty members scheduled to speak at the rally outlined their views. It was not until these seven speakers had finished and students opposing involvement in higher education went to the Free Speech Platform that the crowd became restless and began to move away.

NOT A THREAT

Goldschmidt explained that the rally was not intended as a threat to faculty members, but described it as "an opportunity for all students to discuss the problems of higher education."

"We can develop a better education through discussion. This is not an attempt at force or violence," he said in keynoting the rally.

ASUO Senator Henry Drummonds, drafter of the ASUO Senate's bill asking the faculty to admit two students to faculty meetings, said the Senate's request will allow the students' point of view to be represented to the faculty.

Originally, the rally was timed to coincide with the April Faculty meeting, which was scheduled for Wednesday. But President Flemming postponed the faculty meeting one week to allow more time for discussion of the Senate's request.

FACULTY SPEAKERS

Kenneth Polk, professor of sociology said he was "very glad to speak in favor of the motion to allow student representation in faculty meetings."

However, Polk cautioned the students to remember that "the university today is a very sick animal. It hasn't responded to the twentieth century yet."

"The problem is the way the University is organized, and the faculty has control over the organization," he said. "Every major improvement in the organization has come from the outside," not from the faculty.

"It is fundamental that the students be involved" in improving education, Polk said.

Louis Breger, assistant professor of psychology, agreed with Polk, saying: "Any significant change in an institution like this is most likely to come about by pressure from the outside—particularly from students."

Breger said he supported the program students

are fostering, as outlined by ASUO Senator Marvin Feuerberg.

Fuerberg said "what students are really after is a say in curriculum." He said that University students now have a say in some of the decisions that are traditionally reserved for faculty and administrators, but that students want more involvement in those decisions.

Some of the proposals outlined by Feuerberg include more pass-or-fail courses, achieving departmental autonomy on the language requirement for doctoral candidates, and an interdisciplinary approach to more courses at the University.

Breger encouraged students to become more active, claiming that "it doesn't take much to get a voice." However, he said: "Until recently, you've been powerless; nobody worries about student reaction."

SEIZE OPPORTUNITIES

"What it will take is for the students to take advantage of their opportunities," Breger said. "You don't have to riot—right away. Use reasonable means; if they don't work, try other ways."

Chuck Pruitt, another ASUO Senator, said "We are a new people. We have to decide whether we are going to make decisions or merely endure others'."

"We are not asking a favor from the faculty in asking for a voice," he said, "We are saying that this is our University and we have a right, a responsibility" to be involved.

Daniel Goldrich, associate professor of political science, the third faculty member to speak, said: "I was going to greet you as fellow members of the academic community, but I question whether this is an academic community."

HOPEFUL FOR RECOGNITION

"I hope you get student representation, particularly in curriculum formation," he said, adding that he thinks students will get what they want "for a variety of reasons."

However, he told the students that unless they want to participate in a University recognized for its "pursuit of truth and rejection of bankrupt ideas," student involvement won't be particularly important.

"Tangibly you're interested in too many three-credit courses, not in the gut issues," Goldrich charged.

He said that if students are really interested in reforming the University it will be "very worthwhile; an enormous challenge, but very worthwhile."

Goldschmidt concluded the organized part of the rally by saying that "this is the time when students have to think about the educational processes."

"This is a good day because it is the beginning of a new era, because many of you are concerned,

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