



LAW SCHOOL MODEL
Construction Starts On Kincaid Building

Photo by Lew Melson

Ground Breaking Ceremony Starts New Law Center

Ground was broken officially for the University Law Center Wednesday in a ceremony which Law School Dean Eugene Scoles termed "an historic occasion in legal education."

Some 100 persons witnessed the groundbreaking, including Acting University President Charles Johnson, representatives of the Law School Alumni Association, the Law School Association, and the architectural and planning staff for the center.

The Law School dean noted that "a good law school must be the center of activities in which legal studies touch all areas of society in the functions of teaching, research and service."

The new two-story building will contain classrooms, administrative and faculty offices, and the law library. A moot courtroom is planned that may also be used as an 80-student classroom.

John Yerkovich, Portland attorney and president of the Oregon State Bar Association, dug the symbolic first shovel of dirt.

He was assisted by Scoles and Michael Phillips, president of the Student Bar Association at the University.



Photo by Dean Tonn

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY
Marks Beginning of Construction

On Television Forum

Press Examines Turmoil

Obscenity, freshman living-in and the Students for a Democratic Society dominated discussion on "Oregon Dialogue," broadcast over Oregon's educational television network Wednesday night.

Featured guests on the show were State Chancellor of Higher Education Roy Lieuallen, Acting University President Charles Johnson, John Nolan, student body president at Portland State College and Russell Sadler, chairman of the Inter-Institutional Student Committee on Higher Education.

Questioning the four were newsmen Wayne Whitehead of KVAL-TV in Eugene, and Don Sterling, editorial page editor for the Oregon Journal in Portland.

Moderator of the program was Bob Bruce, Salem correspondent for a number of television stations throughout the state.

Impetus for the telecast, according to Bruce, was the recent controversy surrounding distribution of "filth" by members of the Students for a Democratic Society on campus.

Bruce, in prefacing discussion, asked Johnson to explain how University students and the administration should react to the SDS effort.

"There is no question," Johnson said, "but that the handbill in question was offensive to a large segment of the public. Policy at the University, however, is that students are adults and responsible for their own actions."

Johnson referred to the Student Administrative Board as the organization directly in charge of the EMU presses on which the flyer was printed.

"What has to be determined on campus," he continued, "is whether an organization which abuses the right of free speech should be censored."

Both Bruce and Sterling sought from Lieuallen reason for students' apparent contention that affairs at the University are not the direct business of the public.

"Is the University of Oregon public property?" demanded Sterling.

According to Lieuallen, the University and the State System of Higher Education are direct arms of the Oregon Legislature, and as such, are public property.

"The state system and the University are accountable to the public," Lieuallen said.

When asked if a student-supported rule, limiting distribution of socially reprehensible material, would receive support from the administration, Johnson replied, "The University could enforce such a rule, and already enforces rules which are unique to the University area, such as no alcohol in the dorms, and prohibition of firearms on campus."

The problem, Johnson said, was whether students wished to control free expression in that manner.

Lieuallen and Sterling at one point engaged in a dialogue over the Johnson Hall sit-in of last May.

Sterling implied the action was an overt takeover of a University department, and

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PORTLAND (Special)—After five hours of discussion, the Committee on Academic Affairs, a standing committee of the Oregon State Board of Higher Education decided that the question of student unrest and dissent was too important and complex to formulate a policy in one meeting.

The committee was reviewing a proposed general policy statement prepared by Miles Romney, vice chancellor for academic affairs, which called for student involvement on "the formulation of institutional policies, rules and regulations."

If the report had been approved, it would have been presented to the state board on Dec. 9. Its future now is uncertain.

The report has been revised three times and has been subjected to the scrutiny of an institutional executive meeting and a meeting of student body presidents.

Contributions

"They (the students) have much to contribute to the deliberative processes in many areas affecting academic life," the report said.

It also said that many students, militants especially, will find the "analytical approach of the academic world conspicuously unexciting."

The report stressed the fact that student involvement should be implemented on the institutional level to account for the lack of specifics in the report.

It challenged all state universities and colleges to write up a set of rules and institutional guidelines, such as the University now has in the Student Conduct Code.

The report stated the belief that if these rules are adopted with the agreement of students they will, in actual use, be more effective.

Acting University President Charles Johnson said, "These rules already exist at the University. It is a compliment to us to see our rules reflected in the committee's proposal."

Elizabeth Johnson, chairman of the committee, emphasized that the state board did not want to interfere in the inner workings of an institution, or propose such statutes as those enacted by the Ohio state legislature.

"We have decided not to issue 'thou shalt nots.'" Discussion of the problem has not been underway for some time, we are not going to propose definite specific rule," she said.

The introduction of the report maintained the belief that for an institution to be effective, certain freedoms must be guaranteed. Among these are the expression of academic freedom and the freedom to hold divergent views and opinions.

"Our aim must be to foster and protect these freedoms for without them education becomes indoctrination," the report said.

These freedoms must be preserved and protected from within as well as from unwarranted interference from without, the report added.

Students from the University and Portland State were also present. They expressed the belief that they were not being represented by Russ Sadler, chairman of ISCOHE, or their student body governments.

Those who spoke said that students have some power, such as in the Johnson Hall sleep-in, but they lacked authority. Joe Fashing, chairman of the University Graduate Student Council said, "students are not always taken seriously by the faculty and administrators, they need substantive power."

The board was of the opinion that the problems of student government can only be corrected by the students of each individual institution.

One member said, "the board can make suggestions stressing the need for more student involvement, but it is up to the students themselves to take advantage of them."

Visiting Hours Plea Suspended

Acting University President Charles Johnson suspended Wednesday the Student Conduct Committee decision granting Gamma Hall 24-hour visiting hours.

Richard Rapp, assistant dean of students, informed Gamma Hall in a memorandum that the Tuesday decision of the Student Conduct Committee to grant the request for 24-hour open visiting hours has been suspended by Johnson "so that he can review that decision."

To Be Informed

Rapp told the dorm that they would be "informed of his decision as soon as possible" and added that until the final decision is made Gamma Hall will continue to have visiting hours at 12 noon to 12 midnight Sunday through Thursday and 12 noon to 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

The hours are "perfectly satisfactory," according to a second floor resident of Gamma Hall. He added that he was "not too disappointed" in Johnson's action.

A third floor resident said the visiting hours now in effect "will be sufficient." He added that he did not like the idea of being "under the thumb" of Johnson.

The Student Conduct Committee Tuesday granted the dormitory unlimited visiting hours on an experimental basis until the beginning of spring term. At that time a request for continuation of the open hour policy would have to be re-submitted for consideration.

Decision's Meaning

"Acting University President Johnson's action of suspending this decision means that the decision of the committee will not go into effect at this time." The memorandum read, "The acting president will review that decision and determine whether or not he will approve it."

Another student from Gamma Hall commented that many of the dorm residents now just want to prove a principle, adding that Johnson was going to "have to act on the issue sooner or later."

He also said he didn't think the 24-hour visiting hours would last if granted.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Morning fog, rain
Low, 45, High 55
50% chance of rain