

# House bill introduced asking for atlas

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William Loy, assistant professor of geology at the University, has introduced House Bill 2149 to the state legislature, requesting funds for an Atlas of Oregon.

Loy said in a recent interview that his primary goal is "to create an innovative and useful atlas which will serve as a resourceful and useful tool for land use planning decisions."

As of yet there is no atlas of Oregon in existence today. Almost every state has an atlas which is used in a variety of beneficial ways, he said. Oregonians would benefit in such ways as basic patterns of land, water, vegetation, economic activity and population growth, he added.

Loy said he feels that "in a time when all segments of the population are becoming more aware of their environment, and when we are trying to keep Oregon liveable through comprehensive state-wide planning, it would seem imperative that the physical, demographic, economic and social patterns of the state be mapped and presented in an atlas form as soon as possible."

The creation of the atlas, according to Loy's bill, would be a group effort by some of the faculty members on the geography staff, collaborating professors at other state institutions, and experts on certain fields of interest unique to Oregon. Graduate students would also work alongside the faculty and will be paid G.T.F. (graduate teaching fellow) wages. Also, the state highway department has verbally given its support to

provide some help in photography, he said.

Loy said the atlas would be "approximately eleven by fourteen inches in size with approximately 160 pages of text, and the wholesale price of the atlas would be set at the publication cost of between \$7 and \$12 per copy."

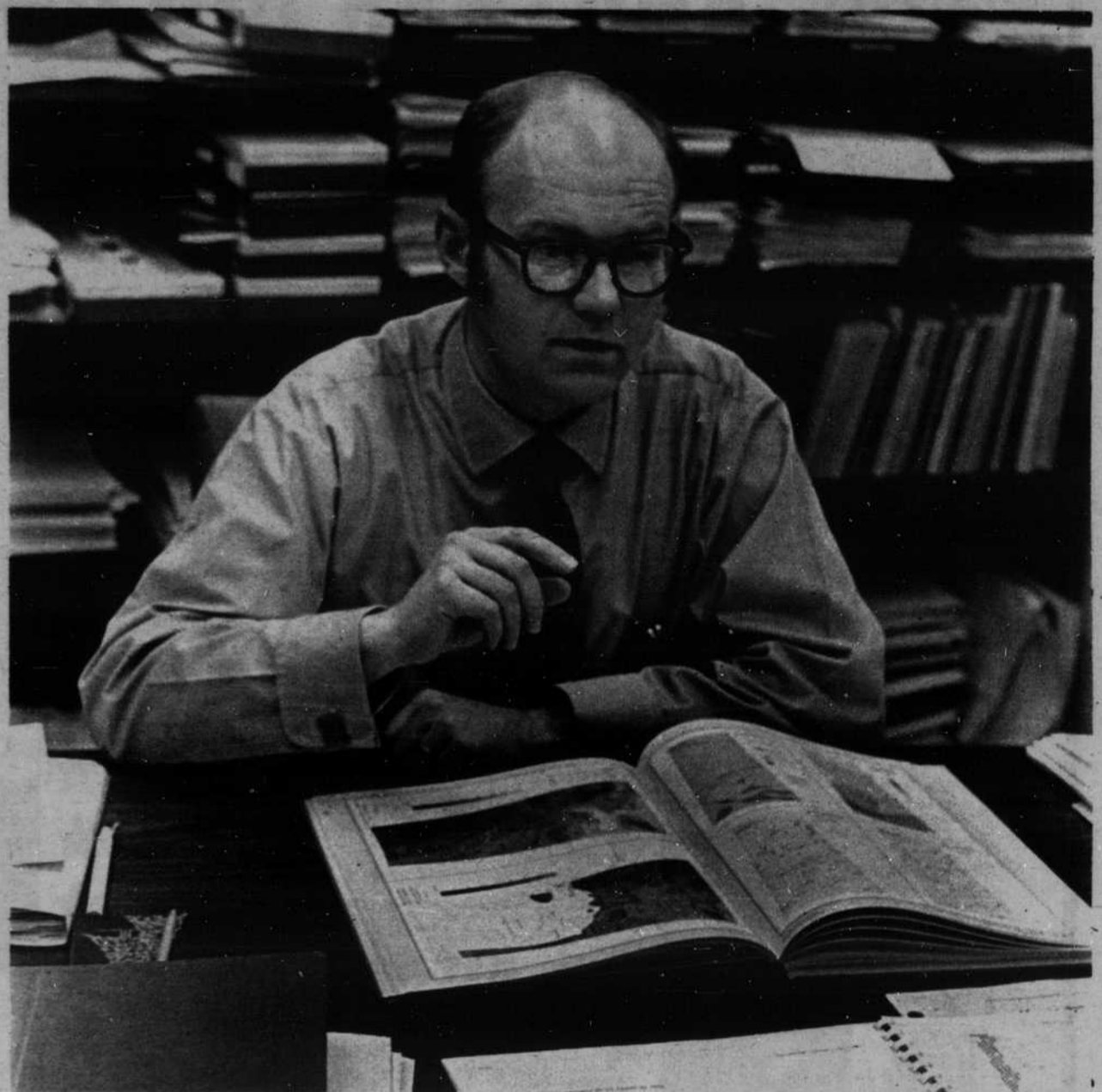
The entire project would take about three years at the minimal amount of \$107,500, Loy said, and the emphasis throughout the effort would be on quality and quantity. Loy said he is aware of human needs due to cutbacks in federal funds, but feels strongly that a small investment towards the future is still appropriate in avoiding disastrous land use planning.

Such a text would serve as an asset for the ordinary citizen who is interested in locating hunting and fishing spots, apple orchards, colleges and universities, and bus lines, he said. The atlas would also serve as a standard acquisition item for public libraries all over the fifty states, he added, saying Oregonians could purchase it as a lovely and informative Christmas gift.

Loy said he is very optimistic that the bill will be enacted and hopes the atlas will be released on Oct. 19, 1976, the University's centennial, as a commemorative gift to the state of Oregon. He said he feels that now is the time for the University and the state to help keep Oregon free from ugly and harmful land use planning.

The first hearing will be on the morning of Feb. 22.

Persons who are unable to attend the hearing can write to their local legislators, and for those who don't know who their district legislator is, a list is posted next to room 105 in Condon Hall, he said.



William Loy

Photo by Peter Grant

## Wilkins speaks about Democratic influences

Caroline Wilkins, Vice Chair of the Democratic National Committee, said Thursday she didn't think the unsuccessful Presidential candidate Sen. George McGovern (D-S.D.) had lost his influence in the National Committee.

Wilkins spoke to about 60 persons attending the weekly Demoforum at the Kings Table restaurant.

"George McGovern hasn't lost his voice in the National Committee at all," said Wilkins, who is also State Chair of the Democrats. "McGovern still has a great many personal friends and acquaintances on the committee. I don't foresee any great reaction to his reforms—if anything, the nominating process will be opened up even more."

Wilkins said she didn't think "anyone can really deny that the Democratic party has troubles. After all, the people denied us the highest office in the land." However, Wilkins said she felt the future wasn't all dreary, "because the party made

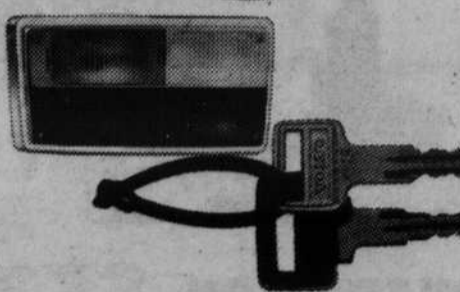
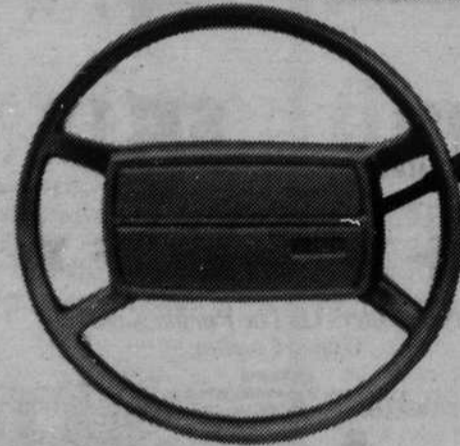
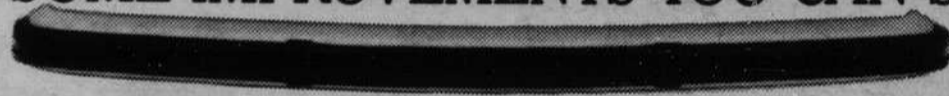
significant gains both on a state level in terms of governors and state legislatures, and on the national level in Congress."

"My particular area of interest right now is the development of a research division of the Democratic National Committee," said Wilkins. "This is something that was lacking all through the 60's, mainly because we had strong presidents who didn't feel that the National Committee should have much power."

Another interest Wilkins said she was pursuing was the development of a national center for the distribution of campaign materials geared to the needs of local areas. "I like the idea of the national organization serving as an innovator to develop new ideas for the whole party," said Wilkins.

Wilkins also commented on the Oregon state platform. "I think it is unfair to make candidates from conservative counties like Malheur, where the Republicans even hold a lead in registration"

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