

University transport plan aired in public meetings

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The University Long Range Transportation Plan was opened to campus hearings Wednesday and Thursday. The plan, if fully implemented, would radically alter traffic and parking systems in and around the University by fall 1974.

Charles Wright, professor of mathematics and chairman of the Campus Planning Committee, and Harry Van Oudenallen, the University planner, presented the plan to the public in two separate hearings in the EMU.

They re-affirmed the four guiding principles of the plan:

— Transportation and movement of people shall, above all, further the central mission of the University — educational, intellectual, spiritual and physical development of its students.

— Transportation and movement of people shall relate the campus to the wider community of which it is a part.

— Transportation modes shall be employed which provide inexpensive and convenient access to campus facilities.

— And transportation facilities shall aid in preserving or creating a high quality campus environment.

Wright provided the audience with a background report on the origins of the plan. He said that the University Planning Committee (UPC), which is comprised of both students and faculty, started work on the plan last summer. He said at that time the city of Eugene was thinking

along the lines of freeways "all around the campus to better accommodate the growing campus and city traffic."

He said the current plan was devised after consultations with city officials, the Lane Council of Governments (L-COG), the Lane Transit District (LTD) and the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC).

Wright said it was the consensus of those involved in formulating the plan that there were alternatives to the city's plans for freeways. Wright himself felt that freeways would "cut off the University from the community and would turn it into an academic ghetto."

A main point of the plan is the creation of a "Local Transport Area" which essentially means parking for private autos would be on big lots around the periphery of the University and accessibility from those lots to the campus itself would be via a shuttle bus system.

To encourage a shuttle bus system, the plan points out, there would be a decrease in the amount of available parking areas on campus.

Van Oudenallen and Wright conceded that there have to be great changes introduced in scheduling of University business and also a "dramatic improvement in the bus service" if the proposed plan is to be effective at all.

They said the three-man committee formed to draw up plans for the implementation of the Long Range Transportation Plan will be open to public suggestions. The committee members include a representative from the University, the LTD and the L-COG. The formalized plans for implementation should be ready by December, 1973.

Washington Post reveals campaign undercover action begins in 1969

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Undercover operations for President Nixon's benefit were carried out beginning in 1969 by the FBI, Secret Service and special teams working for the Justice Department and the White House, it was reported Thursday in the Washington Post.

The Washington Post said the campaign of "illegal and quasilegal undercover operations" was directed at targets ranging from student demonstrations to Democratic candidates for president and vice president.

Quoting "highly placed sources," reporters Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward characterized the alleged undercover campaign as a series of "political burglaries, buggings, spyings and sabotage conducted under White House auspices."

Among those directing the

operations, the Post quoted its sources as saying, were former White House aides H.R. Haldeman, John Ehrlichman and John Dean III, former Attorney General John Mitchell and former Assistant Attorney General Robert Mardian.

The newspaper quoted a former high administration official as saying:

"It was a campaign that went astray and lost its sense of fair play. Secrecy and obsession with the covert became part of nearly every action. It all turned to mud and I'm sorry to have been a part of it." The Post listed these alleged incidents:

— The Secret Service obtained information on the private life of at least one Democratic presidential candidate last year.

— Ehrlichman obtained possession of records pertaining to Sen. Thomas Eagleton's

history of psychiatric care several weeks before it was disclosed in the news media and McGovern dropped him as his vice presidential running mate.

— The use of paid "provocateurs" to encourage violence at antiwar demonstrations early in the first Nixon administration and again in the 1972 campaign.

— The formation of "suicide squads" in the FBI to conduct undercover political spying and sabotage against "persons regarded as opponents of the Nixon administration."

— The hiring of "vigilante squads" by the White House and Justice Department to conduct illegal wiretapping, infiltrate radical organizations for purposes of provocation, and engage in political sabotage.

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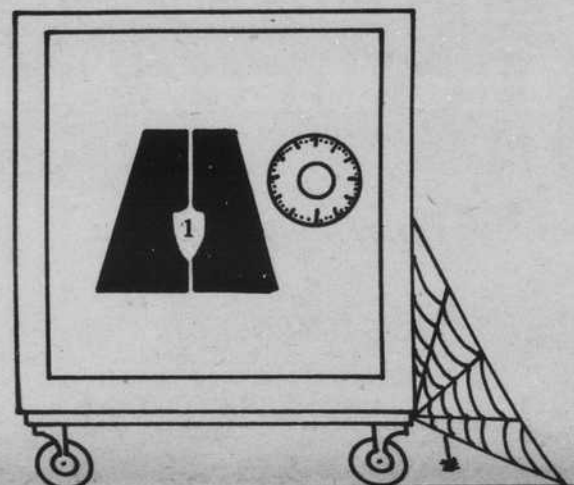
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