

# 48 rms., furn., no pets Dorm put on block as cash crisis hits home

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**FOR SALE:** Spiller Hall, 48 rooms, 4 bath, fireplace, piano, live-in caretaker, huge basement, newly remodeled in early American concrete, "food" source nearby, close to campus, quiet neighborhood, scenic views of Robbins, Tingle and bakery. Must sell, owner desperate for money, call Donaldson Realty, 686-4306.

Spiller Hall is indeed on the block, says the realtor at Donaldson Realty, a low-profile agency alleged to have once tried to sell Hendricks Park.

Same old story. The seller needs spare cash to keep afloat

programs like the purple sea anemone research project slated for oblivion by an uncaring new administration in Washington. And selling off a dorm is the perfect way to raise funds, the realtor says.

After all, imposing fines on dorm residents only brings in so much ready cash.

University housing Director Dan Williams claims the Spiller sale is only a "trial balloon" designed to test the market for college buildings. If the University makes enough off the Spiller deal, it may run full-page ads in the Wall Street Journal to attract investors to campus, Williams says.

"Who knows what we'll offer next?" Confidentially, Williams says that "for the right price, we can throw in the dorm residents."

While a real-estate boom in University buildings looms, Williams reminds those worried about the current land speculation that the University is reserving all mineral rights on property sold.

Prospective buyers are shown around "the place" by the Donaldson agent, who doubles as resident assistant.



Photo by Erich Boekelheide

Prospective buyers examine Spiller Residence Hall, a real estate deal offered by "Donaldson Realty."

He proudly shows visitors the hall's obvious advantages, pointing out the fine view of Robbins women's dorm, the close proximity of Franklin Boulevard's fast-foodland and the pleasant smell continually wafting in from Williams Bakery.

No mention, however, of the huge semis that arrive to load bread at 3 a.m.

The agent is especially proud

of the dorm's "park-like setting," including carefully trimmed spiny bushes bedded in bark dust and 60,000 square feet of torn-up turf.

The building itself is charming: "Newly remodeled in early American concrete" the ad says. No doubt done by the same people who brought us freeway overpasses.

One prime selling point is that

the 86 Spiller residents have already completed innovative interior decoration on most floors. Prospective buyers should be pleased to see the Ozone Layer's (fourth floor's) St. Valentine's Day Massacre wall paintings — brown, blood-stain-like streaks the length of the hall.

If that doesn't clinch the sale, nothing will.

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## Political groups are targets of surveillance, says lawyer

Ideological enemies of the left wing are using surveillance and other means of repression to subdue various political groups, a member of the National Lawyers Guild said Saturday at the University law school.

"We are suspects, and we are enemies," said Jack Schwartz.

Schwartz tagged various political groups as targets for possible government surveillance and urged those groups

to learn to use "physical self-preservation."

"People have to learn to protect themselves — it's that simple."

Schwartz included groups such as the anti-nuclear movement, anti-draft organizations and the Communist Party on the list of likely candidates for investigation.

Although most politically active groups in Oregon are isolated from Washington, D.C.

and the possibility of government surveillance, Schwartz said that doesn't mean these groups aren't being watched.

He advised political groups to protect themselves from unnecessary carelessness and urged groups to know the people they work with and to keep duplicate copies of important documents.

Schwartz said there are always "provocateurs" who join specific organizations to disrupt things, and they can be a threat to any political movement.

Pres. Ronald Reagan's administration is working on a plan to weed out "un-American dissidents," Schwartz said. The administration hopes to achieve this through repeated speeches and surveillance of law-abiding protesting groups, he said.

But Schwartz warned against paranoia. The government has the resources but not necessarily the ability, he said.

Schwartz also warned that the Freedom of Information Act is "going down the tubes," and unless citizens work avidly for its preservation it may be a lost reform.

Persons interested in more information about the NLG should contact the law school, he said.

Schwartz has represented Native Americans in California, Iowa, New York and Oregon and is a former staff member of the Wounded Knee Legal Defense Committee.

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