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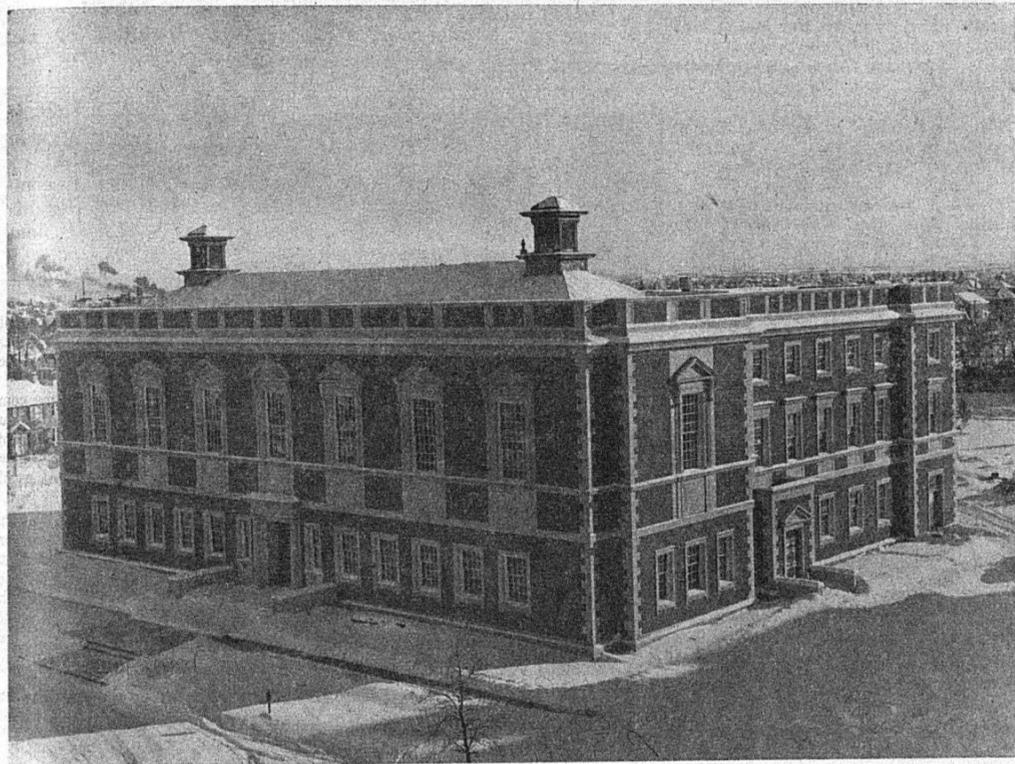
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Supermarket Style Library Proposed



BEAUTY EVALUATED IN TERMS OF DOLLARS

Construction May Begin In Spring

By Reg Jordan

New library facilities are to be constructed on U of A campus. With permission of the Provincial Legislature, the construction will probably start in the spring.

It is not known yet whether a new library will be built or an addition made to Rutherford Library although the Board of Governors last week decided to recommend to the Provincial Government that a new library would be much more practical and also cost less.

Dr. Keyes D. Metcalf, the world's foremost consultant on library construction was here for three days reconnoitering and evaluating the situation. Dr. Metcalf stated, in his proposal to Dr. Johns, President of the University, "an addition of something over 100,000 square feet (is needed) just as soon as possible; and I can as-

sure you (Dr. Johns) that the need is very great at present . . . A second and perhaps a third addition will be needed sometime after 1975."

Dr. Metcalf is the Librarian Emeritus at Harvard University, and the chief builder of the New York Public Library.

Dr. Metcalf figured that the one new addition would cost \$2,500,000 and the needed changes to Rutherford for ventilation, proper connections between wings, and extended elevator services would amount to around \$500,000, a figure confirmed by the Public Works Department.

To accommodate students for the next 20 years, Dr. Metcalf felt that the addition would have to be 110,000 square feet in size. This figure was computed by extrapolation of the curves of increasing students, staff, graduate workers, and volumes. It was figured that there would be one million volumes in the library by 1980 and at least 10,000 students studying at U of A.

It was also strongly felt that there was a definite need right now for storage space for books and space for advanced study and research.

Expelled For "Moral" Article

The editors of the Laval University newspaper Le Carabin were expelled recently because of an article published Oct. 6, 1960. The article, labelled obscene in its content, described a scene in a prostitute's room.

Immediately after publication of the story, the Association Générale Des Etudiants de Laval, said that it considered action against the editors, and informed the University of the

situation. However, before action could be taken, the editors were expelled by the University.

Monseigneur Louis-Albert Vachon, rector of Laval, met with the AGEL executive last Friday, and agreed to the creation of the committee "after a reasonable delay". AGEL indicated that if the committee does not succeed in its deliberations, the committee may dissolve itself. There is word that there may be a general strike

although nothing definite has been decided by Council.

In a five-hour meeting held the day after the expulsion, the AGEL by a vote of 23 to 2 with five abstentions asked:

DEMANDS PRESENTED

For the nine man arbitration committee to be composed of three members of the University council, three members of the professors' association, and three AGEL members;

That the students be allowed to stay in school until the committee has met;

That the University recognize the right of the AGEL and the status of its various committees. Le Carabin is a committee of the AGEL.

STAFF DISMISSED

The association, believing that the article was inappropriate for a campus newspaper, dismissed the staff. It pointed out that any censuring should be done by the AGEL and not by the University.

Deposed editor Pierre Magnault, stated that the disputed article was not considered obscene when it was printed, rather it was thought that some moral conclusion could be drawn from it.

"I recognized that I misinterpreted the objective of this article because of the letters of protest sent to me by students," he said. Magnault added that he now sees that the article offers a large area of interpretation, and since it does, it should not have been published.

Before the association met Thursday night, a spokesman for Le Carabin said, "It seems that the articles have been the occasion for a trial of the general outlook of the newspaper and the trial of the individuals that head the paper."

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Estimate Cost \$2,500,000 To Replace Rutherford

Dr. Metcalf was very decidedly in favor of construction of a new library rather than adding to Rutherford. Dr. Metcalf's report and criticisms led the Board of Governors, too, to acquire the same opinion.

Dr. Metcalf states in his report to Dr. Johns, that, although it would cost \$2,500,000 to replace Rutherford's gross space with another library of the new style, because of Rutherford's monumental character and waste space, the

building is worth only \$1,500,000 to the University unless beauty can be considered an asset that can be evaluated in terms of dollars.

Dr. Metcalf claims that if Rutherford were added to, because of additions, alterations to the present building, and extra cost needed to make the addition resemble Rutherford in beauty, the value of Rutherford would drop to a value from nothing to \$200,000.

The Last Straw On Tuesday Wednesday, The Brick Makers

James M. Minifie will speak on nuclear weapons and their effect on modern diplomacy at the fifth annual Henry Marshall Tory Memorial Lectures, next Tuesday and Wednesday. Lectures begin at 8:30 p.m. in Con Hall.

Mr. Minifie, whose distinctive face and voice appears in millions of Canadian homes almost daily, is the CBC's Washington correspondent. A Rhodes scholar from U of S, he has had wide experience in Europe as a journalistic soldier of fortune. He is the author of "Peacemaker or Powder Monkey".

Minifie's Tuesday evening lecture will be Atomic Weapons, The Last Straw. On Wednesday, he will discuss The Brick Makers, various schemes to build an international structure.

The Tory Lectures are sponsored annually by the Friends of the Uni-

versity. The public is invited. No admission charge will be made.



PEACEMAKER OR . . .

Emphasis On Advanced Study And Research

The proposed new library, if it is built will have emphasis on advanced study and research leaving Rutherford for the use of undergraduates, a Fine Arts building or for use of a Law School.

The type of construction favored is sometimes referred to as a "supermarket style".

Once a student is in a library of this style, he has access to all the books and materials contained in it. All the stacks are placed openly within his grasp.

The design is much simpler with open floors strong enough to carry stacks placed at any desirable position.

There would be no interior beaming with few partitions that could be easily removed.

The building would be low ceilinged, be sound insulated, be thoroughly lighted, and be air-conditioned.

It would be equipped with study offices and cubicles, microfilm and other equipment.

There would be a simple check system at a main desk near the library entrance.

Dr. Metcalf's favored position for a site is behind the Arts building between the North and South Labs.

He thinks the first unit could be constructed there and at later dates the labs could be demolished leaving enough open space to take care of demands more or less indefinitely.

The proposed building might be five storeys high because of the ceilings being lower than in Rutherford.