Teachers Debate Scoping of Plan

Following the faculty's defeat of the proposal to expand the open dorms program, the Lawrentian interviewed a number of faculty and administration members on their views of the whole issue.

Bradner F. Coursen, associate professor of biology, opposed the proposal. His central objection revolves around the fact that Lawrence is a residential college, therefore he feels it is not only the right but the responsibility of the faculty to deal with social issues.

Coursen said, "There's no question in my mind what a few people want open dorms for, but he does not want the actions of a few to reflect badly on the behavior of the majority. He is concerned about the violation of a roommate's privacy, the faculty's place to legislate on social matters.

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Herbert K. Tjossem, associate professor of English, said, "Many people have lost sight of the fact that we exist as an intellectual institution first of all. The proposal believing that it is not only the faculty's place to legislate on social matters." He does not feel that the students would be any more willing to take on social responsibilities.

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He noted that there were a number of faculty members who felt the same way he did, but who had not been in favor of the proposal, feeling that it was a "way in the right direction."

But he said, "It didn't seem to me that there were any foreseeable amendments that would rectify it."

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He feels that the tendency toward social welfare will result in the attraction of more conservative faculty and students because the image of the university will be affected by this kind of backward movement. He sees the crucial issue as privacy, not sexual freedom.

Beverly Harvey, associate professor of religion, told the Lawrencean that she had been in favor of the proposal because she felt it would have a "fostering of equal opportunities for the students' part."

She said that she had hoped that the passage of the proposal would serve to close the gap between the students and faculty, and she hopes that the rejection will not result in alienation.

She hopes that there will be no problem on the part of the students, but, "I hope that protest can be responsible and not create unnecessary alienation."

Mary Morgan, dean of women, voted in favor of the open dorm plan because it attempted to establish "a climate of reciprocal trust" between students and faculty and because it "centered..."

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By SUSAN TERRY

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Learning that a man named Kirk Bolles was the foreman of this organization, I decided to see him immediately. Having penetrated the outer fortifications of the building site, I came upon Mr. Bolles engaged in his lancehoss.

With my usual good fortune I succeeded in talking the foreman into hiring me as a construction worker. Half the battle was over; now I simply had to secure the vital information and escape with my life.

Quickly I became friends with several of the carpenters, electricians, laborers, iron and sheet metal workers, plumbers, and masons working on the building. Should my true identity be ex­posed, it was approximately as dangerous to my career as working in the Hollywood film industry.

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Also, judging from the relatively small size of the "circumference," I envisioned a building with several stories. My theory proved to be true; the plan call for seven. I wondered whether architecturally this building would fit in with the rest of the Lawrence campus, I soon learned, however. But, although this building might be higher and thinner than other Lawrence buildings, it would be made of light-colored stone which would definitely complement the campus.

Working right on the job, I discovered first-hand some of the difficulties concerning this project. Although an octagon takes more time to build, the primary problem has been the cold weather in which it is built. If the temperature is ten degrees above zero, despite this fact the workers had already worked several days in zero degree weather.

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