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REGINA, MARCH 19 - A College of Public and Business Administration will be established at the University of Saskatchewan, Regina Campus, as soon as staff and physical facilities can be made available, Dr. J.W.T. Spinks, president of the U of S, announced today.

Dr. Spinks said that one of the first steps in the establishment of the new College will be the appointment of a dean who will be responsible for planning the program and securing staff.

Dr. T.H. McLeod, dean of arts and science at Regina Campus, said that the programs of the new college will both supplement and complement those now offered by the College of Commerce in Saskatoon, "with little competition and a great deal of enrichment of the whole range of offerings."

Dr. McLeod, formerly dean of commerce at the U of S, Saskatoon, has taken a leading part in preliminary planning for the College of Public and Business Administration.

He stated that particular emphasis will be placed on public administration, "which Regina is in a unique position to develop." He noted that comparatively little is being done in this field at most other Canadian universities.

"In Regina, the government activities provide us with a built-in laboratory which is not easily found elsewhere in Canada. The promised development of the Provincial Document Centre on the Regina Campus will furnish an invaluable aid for study and research," Dean McLeod said.

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In business administration, the offerings at Regina will likely be similar to those in Saskatoon. Dean McLeod pointed out that the College of Commerce in Saskatoon is aiming for a total optimum enrolment of about 800. He added, however, that a substantially greater number of Saskatchewan students will be seeking admission to programs offered by the existing college or similar to them.

"Since planning began on new facilities in Saskatoon, it has been assumed that opportunities for the over-flow would be provided at Regina. With the prospect of a population explosion on the Regina Campus, it is imperative that we begin at once to provide the necessary alternative facilities and programs," Dean McLeod said.

He stated that Regina Campus is already engaged in substantial activity in public and business administration and thus has a foundation on which to build the new college. For many years Regina Campus has provided instruction in the first year of the University's bachelor of commerce program, and is actively engaged in evening certificate programs in accounting, business administration and public administration. Dean McLeod said that more than 200 students will soon be enrolled in various phases of these programs.