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GROUNDBREAKING FOR COLEMAN HALL PHASE III ADDITION

CHARLESTON, IL.--Governor James R. Thompson and other dignitaries participated in a groundbreaking ceremony for Eastern Illinois University's Coleman Hall Phase III addition Monday (Oct. 31) at the construction site on Garfield Avenue between Fourth and Seventh Streets.

State Representative Michael Weaver (R-Charleston) and State Senator Harry "Babe" Woodyard (R-Chrisman), as well as representatives from the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities (Eastern's governing board) and the Capital Development Board were among the invited guests.

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The Governor this month released \$6.23 million to the Capital Development Board for construction of an addition to Eastern's existing Coleman Hall to house the EIU Lumpkin College of Business. Construction bids were opened this week by the CDB in Springfield.

The addition will be located between the existing Coleman and Klehm Halls and will be connected to both of these buildings by a covered ground breezeway. A second-story enclosed walkway will connect the addition with Coleman Hall.

The four-level addition includes one level below grade, one at ground level and two above ground level. It will have two auditoriums, a staff-faculty lounge, seven case study rooms, a student lounge, several student study areas, four microcomputer laboratories, four departmental offices and conference rooms, an office for the dean and approximately 70 faculty offices.

The Admissions and Advising Office for the Lumpkin College of Business, the Business Development Center and an office for the Masters in Business Administration program director will also be located in the addition.

Dean Ted Ivarie of the Lumpkin College of Business said the new facility will improve the quality of classroom instruction and will provide a necessary element toward accreditation by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

The Lumpkin College of Business has more than 2,500 students enrolled in classes this fall. Classes are presently held in six different facilities throughout campus. Faculty offices are divided between Blair and Coleman Halls. Some classes are also held there.

It is expected that construction of the addition will be completed in Summer 1990, with classes expected to locate there in Fall Semester 1990.