



All together now, PULL... for rec centre



Shovels were thrown away in favor of a plow yesterday, when over 100 people took part in a ground-breaking ceremony at Concordia College.

The ceremony marked the start of construction on a new social-recreation centre which will replace the old college gymnasium that burned earlier this year.

The plow was pulled by three lines. One line was pulled by faculty and special guests. A second was pulled by the college's students and alumni and parents of students pulled the third.

The plow was driven by Dr. Albert Schwermann who was president of the college from its founding in 1921 until 1954.

Schwermann was assisted by Dr. Alfred Roth, president of the college and Dr. Paul Otke, chairman of the board of control.

In clearing the space for the new centre the college had to uproot an old home dating from the 1870s which was used as a girls' dormitory in the 1920s.

The college is now hoping to have the old home declared an historical building.

More than 100 people, including faculty, students, and alumni, took part in pulling the plow at the ground-breaking ceremony. Left, Dr. Albert Schwermann had a hard time keeping up to plow once it got going. He was helped by Dr. Paul Otke, left, and president Dr. Alfred Roth.