Nobel Laureate Counsels Nova

Dr. J. Hans D. Jensen, 1963 co-winner of the Nobel Prize in physics from Heidelberg University, has accepted a position on Nova University’s Advisory Board and said in a press conference that he was “very impressed with the university’s concept and objectives. The potential for this institution is unrivaled” said Dr. Jensen, “and the fact that it is privately supported makes it even more interesting.”

All schools in Germany are state-supported.

Dr. Jensen, one of the world’s foremost educators in the field of theoretical physics, spent a week with the Board of Trustees advising on initial areas of emphasis in physics as a part of the first phase physical science center. He was asked by Dr. Winstead to help in forming the scientific programs for the university.

Dr. Jensen also conducted a seminar while here which included representatives of other Florida universities and colleges and was attended by such national figures as Dr. Luke C. Yuan, American scientist representing Brookhaven Institute, center for America’s nuclear research.

He was particularly interested in the idea of a privately-endowed university, supported by local citizens and free to delve into research projects which ultimately can serve all of mankind.

Dr. Jensen won his Nobel Award for investigation of the shell structure of the nucleus. His theory has revolutionized scientific thinking in high energy physics.

He plans to return next year for further consultation with the Board.

Dr. J. Hans D. Jensen
Industrialist Points to Corporate Support

William F. Leonard, Director of Corporate Relations for the Olin-Mathieson Chemical Company, spent two weeks in Fort Lauderdale during March at the invitation of Dr. Winstead, to suggest to the Board of Trustees and campaign leaders methods of attracting national corporate support for the university.

Mr. Leonard is the man responsible for arranging the seminar of corporate executives who in February gathered at the Waldorf Astoria in New York to hear Dr. Winstead tell the Nova story. His visit here is a direct follow-up on that seminar.

He toured Nova High School and the campus site and told the Board of Trustees at a special meeting that the possibilities of the Broward area are fantastic.

"I am very impressed with the Nova plan," he said. "The whole continuing program of education as Dr. Winstead outlines it has made a great impact on the corporate community. All you have to do now is to show the outside world that you mean business, and this means local financial backing."

Mr. Leonard said that the corporate community is inundated with requests for support in education but although there are petitions for over $3 billion and about $300 million to be invested . . . "we are always looking for that outstanding school and if Nova is established as planned, it will surely be worth strong consideration."

. . . Dr. Dana M. Cotton, director of placement for Harvard University's Graduate School of Education, came to Nova in March to discuss with Dr. Winstead the employment of faculty personnel. In the battle to attain top faculty members, the university plans a salary schedule competitive with leading universities in the north and west.

. . . First members of the National Founders Council for Nova are Mr. Pierre Bedard, Executive Director, National Cultural Center in Washington, D.C., General Lucius D. Clay, Dr. W. Homer Turner, vice-president of United States Steel Foundation, and Prince Alexander Makinsky, a leader in the field of international management.

. . . Gulfstream Park Racing Association is setting up an annual Nova Day at the track which could result in $100,000 or more per year for the university starting in 1966 . . . legislation is now being introduced to allow an extra day for this purpose.

. . . Dr. Winstead has been appointed secretary-treasurer for the Southeastern chapter of The Institute for Management Sciences.

. . . L. C. "Coley" Judd's campaign organization committee reports that leadership selection for Dania, Davie, Hallandale, and Hollywood is nearing completion . . . Fort Lauderdale and Pompano Beach are about midway in the process of determining leadership and financial potential.

. . . Colonel Duval S. Adams, business manager for the university, received that nation's Legion of Merit in April, for service during his Army career. The medal is the third highest award that the Army can give.
The town of Davie has undertaken a giant-sized $1.25 million project to build the first living-working dormitory at Nova University.

Meeting at the home of James Farquhar under the chairmanship of A. D. Griffin, representatives of the community's interests agreed to organize a “Davie Founders of Nova University” group to raise about 10 per cent of the university's initial capital needs of $12 million.


Kruse, who was first-president of Nova High School's Parents Association, said “Davie has a sleeping giant on its hands in the form of the University. All that is needed to bring it to life is the living touch of local funds.

"The university offers an outstanding opportunity for us to establish Davie as a continually growing and progressive community.”

James Hartley, Hollywood architect who has designed the Nova High School and is creating the master plan for Nova University, presented a sketch of Davie Hall and explained that the hall and university center will constitute the first phase of construction.

"The two structures are directly related to each other. The Center will provide space for academic and administrative activities and the Hall will house facilities for both living and learning."

The buildings are designed to accommodate approximately 100 students and faculty.

The hall is specifically designed with laboratories and seminar rooms to allow residents to pursue round-the-clock study and research.

A. D. Griffin, chairman of the interim committee on organization of the Davie Founders, noted that the group spoke for a large number of people who had come to Davie and prospered in the community and who were certain to throw their support behind the project.

"Davie has never taken on an obligation that it did not fulfill,” he said “and if this town accepts the Davie Hall project, then the university's first residential structure will be built.”

The campaign is slated to begin this spring and conclude in late fall. Organization meetings were started in the first week of May.
Nova University welcomes this opportunity to begin a series of introductions of its trustees. In ensuing issues, Novatech will present board members, alphabetically, and as new members are appointed, will include them after the present board has been introduced.

DR. MYRON L. ASHMORE

Dr. Ashmore is Superintendent of Public Instruction for Broward County and Secretary to Nova University’s Board of Trustees.

Dr. Ashmore was educated in the Florida Public School system, received his Bachelor Degree from Tampa University, his Master’s from the University of Florida and his Doctor of Education from Florida State University.

He is a member of Kappa Delta Phi; Phi Kappa Phi; Phi Delta Kappa, and also of the NEA, FEA and the AASA. Also of numerous other educational organizations across the country.

His relationship with Nova University began upon his appointment to the South Florida Education Center when he became Superintendent of public instruction in 1962.

Dr. Ashmore has worked closely with the development of the Center which now includes Nova Junior-Senior High School, the state-owned Junior College of Broward County and the Nova Blanche Forman Elementary School which is scheduled for completion this year.

W. HOWARD ALLEN

W. Howard Allen is President of the First National Bank in Fort Lauderdale and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Nova University. Mr. Allen is a native of Clyde, New York, graduated from Colgate University after studying at West Point for two years under a competitive appointment and culminated his education with graduate studies at the University of Rochester and Syracuse University Graduate school.

Mr. Allen has been a resident of Fort Lauderdale for 10 years and has served most of the area’s non-profit organizations in one post or another, usually in a leadership capacity.

He has been a member of the South Florida Education Center since its inception and was elected first vice-president of the Executive Committee.