

Student Union Contracts Signed

Work to Begin Immediately

Contracts were signed Wednesday and work will begin immediately on the approximately one and a half million dollar University Student Center, the first step in the University's long-range \$20,000,000 development program made possible through Youngstown's Urban Renewal Program.

The Student Center will be named The William H. and Mattie M. Kilcawley Student Center in honor of the late Mr. Kilcawley, former member of the University's board of trustees, and Mrs. Kilcawley, both long-time friends and supporters of the school. It is expected that the building will be completed by September 1965 in time for the opening of the fall term.

Classical Brick Used

Contractors for the new building will be Joseph Bucheit & Co., general contractors; Scholl-Choffin, Inc., plumbing, heating and air-conditioning contractors; and A. F. Beil Co., electrical contractors. The architect is P. Arthur D'Orazio.

Steel, symbolic of the Mahoning

Valley, will be the major material used in the Student Center. There will be more than forty different uses of steel in the building. Panels of classical brick will be used to dramatize the exposed steel structure of the exterior and to harmonize with the older existing buildings in the area.

The building will be in two units forming a landscaped courtyard across Bryson Street from the existing University Library. The air-conditioned Student Union section will be two stories high containing dining and snack bar facilities for 1,100 students and 250 faculty members, a large student lounge, a faculty lounge and several meeting

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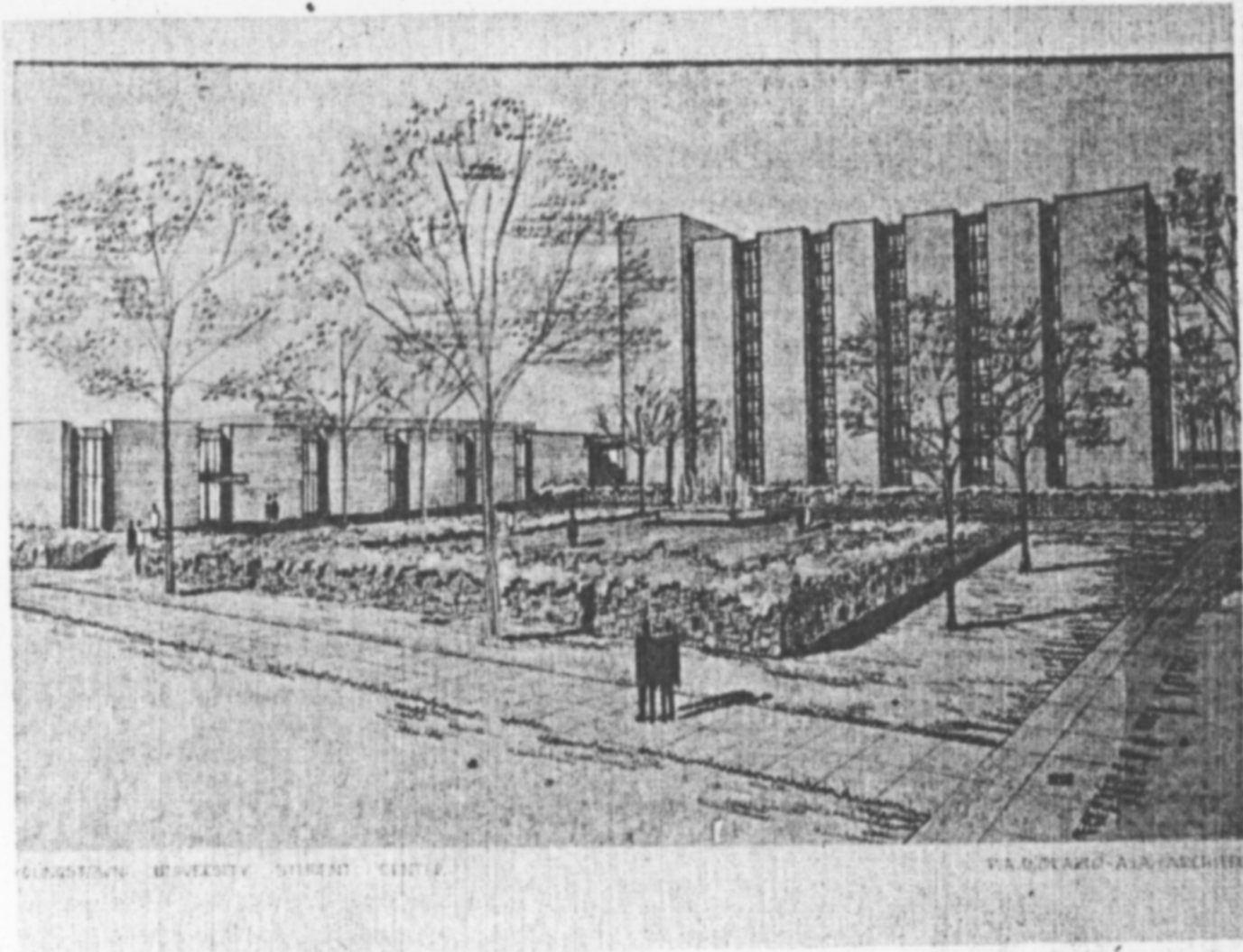
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rooms. The main dining room, a two-story high hall for 800 students, is planned as a multi-use space for student meetings, dances and other activities.

The high-rise dormitory unit, providing living space for 250 men as well as office space and more meeting rooms for student activities, will be six stories high plus basement, making it the tallest building north of downtown Youngstown.

The expanded University campus under the Urban Renewal Program will be 58 acres bounded by Wick Avenue on the east, Lincoln Avenue on the south, Fifth Avenue on the west and by the proposed Madison Expressway on the north. An extensive building program will include from eight to ten units.



Architect's drawing of Kilkawley Student Center