New Building to Open in May: Dedication Ceremony is set for October 18th

Summer session classes will begin May 28, 1986, in the new law building. The final examination schedule for the spring term was accelerated several days to allow ample time to complete the College's move to the new building during the first three weeks in May.

Expected to take three months for the College to return to normal administrative functioning. Hopefully, by fall the shakedown phase of adjustment to the new facility will be over and the College will have recovered full momentum.

Formal ceremonies dedicating the new building will be held on October 18, 1986.

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun will be among the large group of notable public and professional figures who will officiate at the dedication ceremony. On Friday of the dedication weekend a special Symposium will be conducted at the college commemorating the 200th year of the U.S. Constitution.

Plans call for the general contractor to turn the building over to the University in March and for new furnishings to be installed during April. Classrooms, offices and library spaces in the new building will all be furnished with new equipment and furniture, much of it custom made. Though virtually all of the furniture and equipment in the present building will be left behind, the magnitude of the effort required to move the College to its new home is nonetheless awesome. Law colleges as big and old as Iowa accumulate remarkable amounts of books, files and papers over the years. To transport the contents of the College's 450,000-volume law library and 60 faculty and administrative offices the four blocks to the new facility requires a moving crew of 90 using three semi-trailers to work 12-hour days for three weeks to complete the move. Although the library will reopen and classes will start on May 28, it is ex-