

Business Administration Building

THE construction of a new Business Administration building, costing at least a quarter of a million dollars, on the University campus has been approved by the state legislature.

Tentative plans have been drawn for the building which will occupy the space south of Buchanan hall (the Liberal Arts building) and east of the Library building. Federal funds will be sought to supplement the \$250,000 appropriation with a hope that the government will add from thirty to fifty percent to the state appropriation.

The legislative bill making the appropriation started as a \$7,300,000 bill that would have given new buildings to many state schools and provided for the issue and sale of long term bonds to finance the building program. In this form, it was passed by the senate but defeated in the house. During the closing days of the legislative session, the need for a Business Administration building was discussed and the house of representatives appropriation committee substituted the Business Administration building bill for the senate Building Bond Issue bill.

The house of representatives passed the house appropriating committee substitute for the senate bill and returned it to the senate where it was passed in the closing hours of the session.

The new building will fill a need that has been felt for many years on the campus. The college of business administration now is housed on the third floor of the Administration building along with part of the mathematics department.

Classrooms are filled with students from 8 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock

in the afternoon. Faculty members occupy small offices that are scarcely large enough to accommodate their desks.

When the college of business administration moves to its new structure, the mathematics department will be given relief as will several other departments that are crowded into the Administration hall.

Several business classes have been held in Buchanan hall during the past year. These too will give relief to the philosophy department and the languages department.

Doctor Arthur Barto Adams, dean of the college of business administration, worked diligently to secure the passage of the legislative appropriation. He has been a member of the business faculty for twenty-two years and as its dean was able to secure for it the rank of a college. Internationally known in economic circles, he has brought the college along steadily each year. During the years since the depression started, enrolment has increased tremendously in the college.

According to Walter Kraft, superintendent of University utilities, the new structure, as it is now planned, will have the following floor arrangement: basement—large typing room, library stacks, large study hall and one seminar room; first floor—five classrooms, five offices including that of the dean, bureau of business research, the library and other stacks located in the north wing; second floor—two large accounting laboratories, one statistics laboratory, six classrooms and two offices; third floor—small auditorium in north wing with motion picture projection booth, four moderate sized classrooms, four offices and two large classrooms. Entrances to the building will be built on all four sides.

Publication of "Space" Suspended

With the release of the twelfth issue of *Space*, monthly literary magazine, publication is suspended, Dr. B. A. Botkin, assistant professor of English at the University and editor, has announced.

In a last word statement in the issue that marks the completion of the first year of the magazine published in Norman, Editor Botkin writes, "After the first year some sort of reorganization is necessary or desirable to permit the magazine to continue and continue to expand. At the time the following Postscript was written, a little over a month ago, I was attempting a reorganization, whereby I should be relieved of the business management and financial responsibility and be free to devote myself entirely to editing. Until such an arrangement (not now feasible) is possible, I have decided to suspend publication. Editing a magazine is a full-time job."

During the year, *Space* published eighty-eight contributions of fifty-eight contributors, many of them University alumni. The sketches, poems and serious articles, however, were contributed by persons from all parts of the world.

Playwriting Results Announced

A radio play, written by Ernie Hill, '33as, editor of *The Sooner Magazine*, won the third annual Oklahoma original drama contest sponsored by Phantom Mask, dramatic society at the University. The title of the play was "The Moment of Truth."

Second went to Vic Kalman, University student from Jamaica, New York, and third place to Mrs. Allison Blake, Oklahoma City. The titles of their plays were "Retribution" and "Bondage."

Twenty-seven original plays were submitted in the contest. The nine best were selected by members of Phantom Mask. Three state judges selected the best three of the nine and national judges in New York City, Chicago and Columbus, ranked the three finalists. A prize of fifteen dollars went to the winner.

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