

A Million at Work

MORE than a million dollars is being spent on the University campus for building, repair and research projects this year from federal, state legislative and individual contributions.

Five big construction jobs—three of them sponsored by Works Progress Administration, one by Public Works Administration and one by state legislative appropriation—are in progress. A number of WPA building and repair projects also are moving forward.

While National Youth Administration funds give positions to six hundred students, almost that many non-students are engaged in work in connection with the program of the University.

The five major building projects are as follows:

WPA—Oklahoma Union tower, swimming pool and Armory building.

PWA—Biological Sciences building.

State appropriation—Business Administration building.

Works Progress officials in Washington, D.C., and in Oklahoma City may well be proud of the program that has been launched at the University of Oklahoma. Every one of the more than a dozen projects will make a definite contribution to the state and to the University.

The swimming pool has long been needed since men students have never had a pool on the campus. The Union tower will provide better facilities for WNAD, University broadcast station, and will bring the Oklahoma Union nearer to completion. The Armory building has been needed for many years.

Other projects, including repairing of the stadium, conditioning of the new intramural field and repairing of twenty-one University buildings also are of vital importance to Oklahoma's state university.

The research projects, as well as giving work to many white-collar workers, will increase the state's store of scientific knowledge. Paleontology and anthropology department grants are important factors in increasing the store of knowledge about Oklahoma's past.

A petroleum engineering research project will make a definite contribution to the state's information about its leading in-

dustry—the oil business. A large Geological Survey project is collecting information concerning Oklahoma's resources, its geological history and is preparing all of this material for the enlightenment of the public.

The history department project calls for the location of significant historical spots in Oklahoma. These spots are being marked with bronze plates, giving briefly the stories of the memorable events that took place at that point.

The school of petroleum engineering has a number of projects under way, including the construction of a wind tunnel, the drilling of a test oil well to experiment with oil temperatures for more efficient work and a number of other research programs. The school has been aided by WPA, individual company grants, as well as the state legislature.

The Biological Sciences building was assured through PWA funds which are matched by the state appropriation for a new Business Administration building. Both buildings will be ready for occupation in September.

The various grants are backed by University funds, labor, machinery and supervision.

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any, has been in charge of handling WPA projects for the University. He has a complete record of all the more than thirty projects which have been requested by various University departments.

To assure the completion of the Union tower, a fund of ten thousand dollars was raised to supplement the WPA appropriation. The money was loaned by alumni and faculty members to assure the project. The group of donors included Neil R. Johnson, Guy Y. Williams, W. B. Bizzell, Frank S. Cleckler, S. W. Reaves, J. J. Gable, and T. M. Beard, all of Norman; and Lewis R. Morris and E. R. Newby, of Oklahoma City.

Following are projects under way:

| | WPA | Amount |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Paleontology department | \$ | 14,745.00 |
| Intramural field | | 17,409.59 |
| Repair of buildings | | 17,284.07 |
| Stadium repairs | | 15,682.43 |
| Petroleum engineering | | 29,647.89 |
| Botany department | | 576.00 |
| Union tower | | 16,000.00 |
| Anthropology department | | 5,625.00 |
| History department | | 9,025.00 |
| Geological survey | | 178,615.00 |
| Armory building | | 26,575.53 |
| Swimming pool | | 15,341.50 |
| History | | 6,000.00 |
| | PWA | |
| Biological Sciences building | \$ | 196,000.00 |
| | NYA | |
| Jobs for 600 students | | \$81,945.00 |
| | STATE APPROPRIATION | |
| Business Administration bldg. | | \$250,000.00 |
| Petroleum engineering | | 50,000.00 |
| | INDIVIDUAL GIFT | |
| Petroleum engineering | | \$30,000.00 |

Two of the largest building projects under way are the Business Administration building, east of the Library, and the Union Tower which will house WNAD, University radio station.

