

Ellison Infirmary on a spring morning gives the impression of inactivity. Actually its six doctors treat nearly 20,000 patients each semester.

50 Years Later

In the comparatively short life of the University, remarkable and perhaps unequalled progress has been made in the establishment of an institution.

A haif-century ago the University of Oklahoma boasted four buildings. One was wooden. Another burned before the year was out. All huddled close on the north oval—or Parrington Oval—which wasn't much more than a field outlined by a rutted dirt road. The campus was made up of 60 acres.

Today the main campus is a carefully landscaped 285 acres, lush with the trees

which were planted by David Ross Boyd, first president. The area holds more than 30 buildings used for instructional and related purposes and is worth approximately \$50 million.

Here modern architecture mingles with gothic. Giants such as Bizzell Library, Owen Stadium and the Union stand beside smaller structures. The rutted roads are gone, replaced by concrete ribbons which daily guide thousands of automobiles.

Great residential areas pull away from the ovals. Across Norman lie the North Campus, airport and extension study center, and miles away are a biological station, wild life sanctuary and medical center and hospitals. But the University's nucleus is its main campus, where a living institution was taking shape 50 years ago.

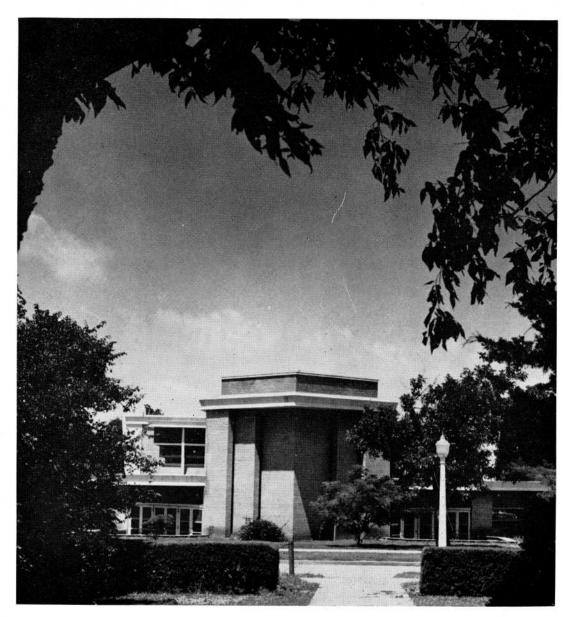
50 YEARS LATER Continued



Through Memorial gateway at North Oval entrance is Holmberg Hall, music school.



Monnett Hall, in which the College of Law is housed, was built in 1913, is one of 19 structures on the North Oval. A modern addition to its rear area was finished in 1951.



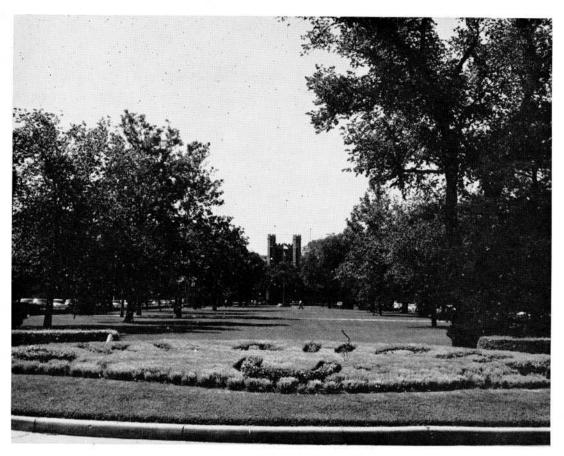
Startlingly modern is the new Home Economics Building. It is made of pink stone, has blue windows, roomy exterior.



One of the newest structures is the Education Building. Under construction is Bizzell Library annex and new Journalism school.



Chemistry annex was designed for good lighting, features many windows, and contrasts severely with 1916 chemistry building.



North Oval today is headed by administration hall, center, and old library and science hall, both not in the picture.