

Derby Hall

Herrick Archives Number 025

A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

1. Name

1. 1 Officially named "Derby Hall" by Board of Trustees on August 8, 1929, in memory of Samuel Carroll Derby.

1. 2 Alternate names noted:

1. 2.1 Original Building

Chemical Building
Chemistry Building
Chemistry Building No. 3
Old Chemistry Building

1.2.2 First Addition

Chemical Store Room
Stores Building
Fireproof Chemical Store Room
Storeroom

1. 2. 3 Completed Building

Liberal Arts Building
Language Building
New Language Building
English Building

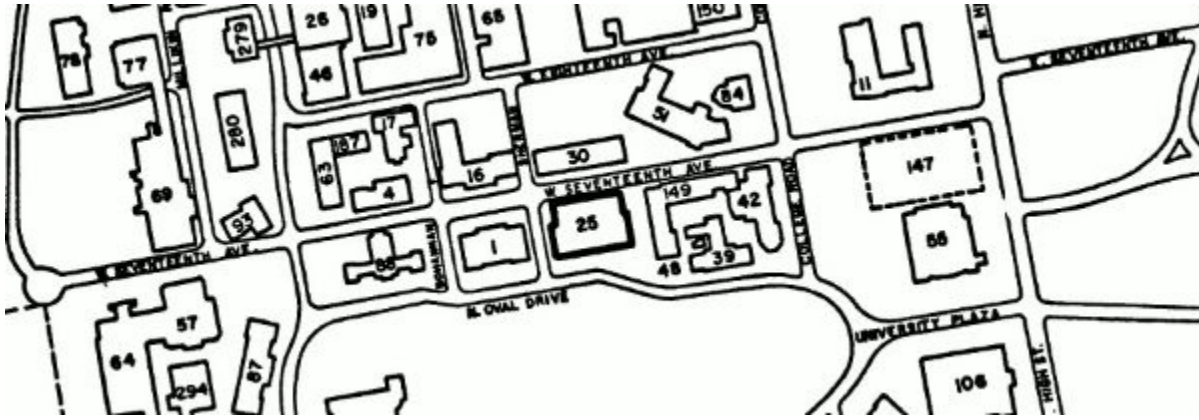
See Addendum Nos. 4, 6

2. Location

2. 1 Located at 154 North Oval Drive. See map below.

See Addendum Nos. 1, 3

2. 2 For greater detail, see Sheets 97 and 84 in the book of campus maps in the University Archives.



For identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A.

3. General Description

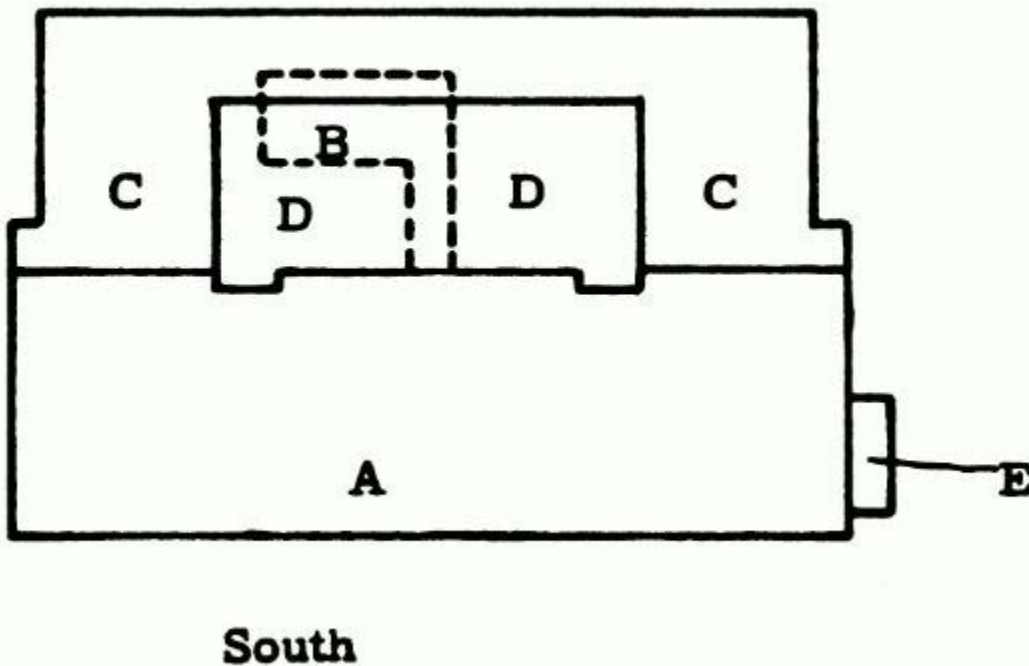
3.1 Type of construction:

Reinforced concrete frame with brick exterior

3.2 No. of stories:

Basement and three stories.

3.3 Increments of construction: Building enlarged four times--see sketch.



A--original building

B--1st addition. (Torn down to make way for 2nd addition)

C--2nd addition (this included also a 3rd floor on A)

D--3rd addition--a one-story structure in the court created by the construction of C.

E--4th addition--an entrance to the basement bookstore

3. 4 Present area of building as shown in inventory records of Division of Campus Planning:

107, 059 sq. ft. gross; 76, 081 sq. ft. net assignable

3. 5 Volume of building:

950, 806 cubic feet (PP).

See Addendum No. 5

B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION—ORIGINAL BUILDING

1. On September 15, 1904 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by S. R. Burns (of Peters, Burns, and Pretzinger) and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors

2. Bids were received on October 19, 1904 (T).

3. On October 20, 1904 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Nichol and Carr

Heating & ventilating: Mathis Brothers

4. On July 7, 1905 the Board of Trustees referred the matter of contracts for equipping and lighting to the Building Committee with power to act.

Board minutes for March 7, 1906 reveal that Hatfield Electrical Co. was the electrical contractor.

5. Completion and occupancy

5. 1 On September 27, 1905 the Lantern reported that work on the building was then confined to the interior of the building.

5. 2 On March 7, 1906 the Board accepted the building as complete, except for a few minor defects and gave the general and electrical contractors notice to complete their work in five days.

5. 3 Equipment bids were opened by the Board on May 30, 1906. Since they were too high, they were referred to the Building Committee to eliminate items as required to bring the total within the appropriation. Meanwhile, the Lantern on April 4, 1906 reported that the building was "partially available" and occupied by the Chemistry Department.

C. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION—FIRST ADDITION

1. On June 23, 1908 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Albert Pretzinger (of Peters, Burns, and Pretzinger) and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on July 31, 1908 (T).

3. On July 31, 1908 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: D. W. McGrath

Electrical: J. C. McMaster Electric Construction Co.
Heating & plumbing: W. H. Conklin Co.

4. Completion and occupancy

Date of completion not determined, but McCracken lists 1909 as the date of erection (McC 2:288) and he also reports tests in April 1909 of floor loading (Ibid., 160-162).

5. Demolition

This structure was demolished in 1928 to make room for what is called in this report the "second addition" (McC 2:162).

D. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION—SECOND ADDITION

1. On June 11, 1928 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Joseph N. Bradford and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on July 28, 1928 (T).

3. On August 2, 1928 the Board of Trustees approved the action of Cabinet on July 31, 1928 awarding contracts to the following contractors:

Electrical: Electric Construction and Maintenance Co.
Heating & plumbing: Huffman-Wolfe Co.
Marble, Tile, and Terrazzo: Cleveland Marble & Mosaic Co.

Bids for the general contract and flooring contract were rejected, and the solicitation of new bids was authorized.

4. Bids on the general contract and flooring contract were received on August 14, 1928 (T), and the following day contracts were awarded by Cabinet to the following:

General: Robert H. Evans & Co.
Flooring: Thomas Moulding Floor Co.

On September 21, 1928 the Board of Trustees approved the award of contracts by Cabinet.

5. Completion and occupancy

Completed during the summer of 1930 and occupied at the opening of the Autumn Quarter (R 1929-30: 106).

E. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION—THIRD ADDITION

1. This addition was apparently constructed as a WPA project. References to it in official University records are scarce and fragmentary.

2. Enclosure of this space was included in the plans for the second addition (Architects Project No. 2830) but

was not built at that time.

3. The President's annual report for 1938-39 (p. 26) stated that the "Little Theater" in the Derby Hall court was constructed during the year.
4. The OSU Monthly for October 1938 (p. 19) stated that the \$30, 000 Derby Hall Theater was ready at the opening of school that fall.
5. The University Architect files include a "Stage Switchboard" project for which Howard Dwight Smith was the architect. The project number 3815 indicates that the project was initiated in 1938.
6. Files in the University Architect's office include a summary of Derby Hall projects which shows a WPA project costing \$17, 531, which may be only the switchboard portion. This is for a space 40' x 111' x 15', which are the approximate dimensions of the Theater.

F. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION—FOURTH ADDITION

1. On November 10, 1961 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Wright and Gilfillen and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.
2. Bids were received on December 19, 1961 and new bids were received on all except the electrical work on January 17, 1962 (T).
3. On February 16, 1962 the Board of Trustees approved the award of contracts to the following contractors:
 - General: Modular Construction Co.
 - Electrical: Pence Electric Co.
 - Heating & ventilating: H & G Plumbing & Heating Co.
4. The above contracts were executed on February 19, 1962 (A).
5. Completion and occupancy
Certificates of completion in the files of the University Architect are dated as follows
 - Plumbing: July 2, 1962
 - Heating & ventilating: September 15, 1962
 - General: October 5, 1962
 - Electrical: October 5, 1962

G. MISCELLANEOUS

1. This was the third chemistry building. Two earlier chemistry buildings (H 113 and H 118) were destroyed by fire. This building, too, was damaged by fire only six months after it was first occupied (T 10/24/06). This led to the construction of the fireproof storeroom described herein as "First Addition."
2. The original building included a basement and two stories. The third floor on the original building was added along with what this report calls the "Second Addition."
3. When the enlarged building was opened in 1930, it was occupied by English, Classical Languages, German, Romance Languages, and Phonetics (R 1929-30: 106).
4. The University Bookstore is housed in the basement of this building.

5. Part of this building as shown in the sketch (Item 3. 3 above) is a bookstore entrance constructed under a contract let on February 16, 1962.

H. COST

1. The first Business Office report (1909-10) lists the cost of the building at \$110, 000, and increases this in 1910-11 to \$110, 367. McCracken (2:287-8) breaks down this latter figure into \$101, 368 for "Chemistry Building, No. 3" and \$8, 999 for the "Stores Building."

2. As of June 30, 1930 the cumulative total cost was \$510, 825. 63 (B), which reflects the cost of the second addition.

3. The Ohio State University Monthly (October 1938, p. 19) indicates \$30, 000 as the cost of the theater addition (third addition).

4. The June 30, 1971 figure is placed at \$734, 348. 57 (B). The increases since 1930 do not represent any major addition to the building.

I. PHOTOGRAPHS

1. In Photo archives:

- X 1432--original building
- X 1557--showing 1st addition
- X 1457--showing 3rd floor

See Addendum No. 2

2. Other:

- Hooper: 71
- McC 2: 103 McC 2: 161 (former storeroom)
- Lantern May 23, 1906; March 24, 1909

John H. Herrick August 25, 1972

ADDENDUM NO. 1

Address Change

With the closing of North Oval Drive, the address of this building was changed in June, 1975 to 154 North Oval Mall.

John H. Herrick December 2, 1975

ADDENDUM NO. 2

Cabinet on April 20, 1916 directed that a brick rubbish house be erected at the rear of this building.

Records in the University Architect's office show that this rubbish house was completed May 26, 1916 at a cost of \$111.98.

A 1918 photograph (X 22997) shows two small buildings north of Building 025. Possibly one of these is the 1916 rubbish house. The identity of the other is not known. Still a third small building appears in Photograph X 13916 (1913?).

John H. Herrick November 18, 1976

ADDENDUM NO. 3

In September 1961 the address of the bookstore in the basement of this building was listed as 140 N. Oval Drive, which would now be 140 N. Oval Mall.

John H. Herrick August 5, 1977

ADDENDUM NO. 4

The Monthly for April, 1910 refers to this building as "Chemistry Hall."

John H. Herrick August 29, 1979

ADDENDUM NO. 5

Campus Planning records now show the following areas for this building:

106, 555 sq. ft. gross
69, 287 sq. ft. net assignable

John H. Herrick February 7, 1985

ADDENDUM NO. 6

This building is now carried in Campus Planning records as Samuel C. Derby Hall. The official name remains "Derby Hall."

John H. Herrick August 26, 1986

ADDENDUM NO. 7

This project was started in September of 1991. The renovations corrected long standing efficiencies and brought the building into compliance with the current building code standards.

This included:

New hot water heating system

New central air and ventilating
 New roof & windows
 New accessible elevator
 Sanitary & storm sewer drainage systems installed
 New plumbing & electrical systems
 Renovation of areas to accommodate changes in occupancy & improve – efficiency of space
 Renovation of ground level to provide classrooms

Total Project Cost: \$9,966,951

Funding by: Senate Bill 336

House Bill 808

Contracts awarded as follows:

<u>General:</u>	Newberg International Corp. Cleves, Ohio	\$3,161,000
<u>Plumbing:</u>	J.A. Croson Co., Grove City, Ohio	\$ 247,889
<u>HVAC:</u>	Kirk Williams Co., Grove City, Ohio	\$1,519,000
<u>Electric:</u>	Jess Howard Electric, Blacklick, Ohio	\$802,600

This project was completed in August of 1993.

Campus Planning show the amount of new renovated space as:

Gross:	106,555 SQ FT
Assignable	62,169 SQ FT