

3.3 Increments of construction:

Enlarged once. Addition consisted of an additional story.

3.4 Present area of building as shown in inventory records of Office of Campus Planning:

40,622 sq. ft. gross;
20,779 sq. ft. net assignable

3.5 Volume of building:

319,700 cubic feet (PP).

B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION - ORIGINAL BUILDING

1. On July 12, 1954 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documented prepared by Potter, Tyler, Martin, and Roth and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on August 24, 1954 (T).

3. On September 7, 1954 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Frank Messer and Sons

Electrical: Electrical Contractors, Inc.

Heating, cooling, and ventilating: Piping Contractors Co.

Plumbing: National Co.

4. Beginning of work:

Contracts were signed on October 19, 1954 (A).

5. Completion and occupancy:

According to University Architect's record, the contract completion date was October 15, 1955.

C. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION - ADDITION

1. On October 12, 1959 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Potter, Tyler, Martin, and Roth and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on October 23, 1959 (T).

3. On November 6, 1959 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

Electrical: Blum Electric Co.

Heating and air conditioning: Limback Co.

Plumbing: J. A. Guy Co.

4. The general contract was awarded on December 11, 1959 to the Sheaf Construction Company on the basis of new bids received on November 12, 1959 (T).

5. Beginning of work:

The construction contract was signed on May 14, 1959 (A).

6. Completion and occupancy:

The addition was completed on March 15, 1961 (A).

D. PHOTOGRAPHS

1. In Photoarchives:

X7806
X7957
X7958
X7959

E. MISCELLANEOUS

1. The building was constructed for the Chemical Abstracts Service of The American Chemical Society. This Service had been on campus since 1910 (M 11:27, 42 - March 1920).
2. The cost of the original part of Building 107 was shared by The American Chemical Society and OSU, with the latter providing \$300,000. The addition was at the sole expense of The American Chemical Society.
3. The Chemical Abstract Service moved to new quarters on Dodridge Street (owned wholly by The American Chemical Society) in February, 1965, and all space in the building was assigned to Campus Planning on February 1, 1965 for remodeling.
4. The space was subsequently taken over by Ceramic Engineering and later remodeled in connection with the construction of Building 265.
5. The Board of Trustees on December 10, 1965 agreed to pay The American Chemical Society \$488,000 for its equity in the building.
6. The remodeled structure, then known as Watts Hall, was dedicated on May 12, 1967 (L May 12, 1967)
7. As of June 30, 1962, after completion of the addition, the building was carried at \$787,374.19 (B). At June 30, 1965 the revised figure including the remodeling, was \$1,275,374.19 (B).

John H. Herrick
January 24, 1975

ADDENDUM NO. 1

A preliminary list, which may never have been published, listed this building at 104 West 19th Avenue.

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ADDENDUM NO. 2

This building is now carried in Campus Planning records as Arthur S. Watts Hall. The official name remains "Watts Hall."

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