

Steel Workers Due Tomorrow At New College

Riveters to Speed Construction of Buildings on Wood-Harmon Site

The clink of riveted steel was slated to supersede the groans of steam shovels tomorrow as excavation work on the new Brooklyn College on the Wood-Harmon site in Flatbush was completed yesterday and steel framework began on the last of the five buildings to be constructed on the site.

Randolph Evans, architect in charge, said that work was progressing rapidly and that the three-story gymnasium should be completed by early Fall. The building, which is to be near Bedford Ave. adjoining the Long Island Railroad cut, is outwardly completed and work will begin on the interior early this week, he said.

Ahead of Schedule

The heating plant, which will face Ocean Ave., also is ready for the installation of its oil burners and storage tanks. Both buildings are ahead of schedule and work soon will start on construction of the 175-foot ornamental water power adjoining the heating plant. The framework on the tower will begin this week, the architect said.

Excavation work on the huge project was completed almost seven months to the day. The work could have been accomplished sooner but for the delays caused by frost and snow, he said.

The science building, the last to be started, which is near the E. 27th St. side of the site, will receive the first of its steel framework tomorrow. Framework on the library and academic buildings is almost completed.

More Than 650 Employed

More than 650 men are engaged in constructing the five buildings on the site. This figure, Mr. Evans said, does not include truck drivers and workmen who are supplying parts and materials.

Before the project is completed, he said, there may be 1,000 men at work.

The gymnasium and power plant will be a combination of Georgian and Colonial architectural design with the walls of hand-made red brick with Indiana limestone ornamental trim. The roofs are of slate in blue and gray tints. Copper will be used plentifully in the water drains and tower ornamentation.

The heating plant occupies a plot 150x75 feet and rises to a height of 30 feet. It will contain a boiler room, oil burners, engine room, registration machines for the regulation of temperature in various buildings and a large office for the engineer.

It will be the central heating and ventilation plant and a water tower will rise 175 feet above the entrance. The tower will be the dominating feature in the building arrangements.

The gymnasium will be three stories high and occupy a plot 347x84. The two swimming pools, one for boys and the other for girls, separated by a wall into which lockers will be built are to be on the ground floor. Above these are the observers' galleries. To the rear of the pool the athletic section is to be located.

The department of home economics and physiology department will be situated on the ground floor facing the front of the building. Quarters for the physical director and infirmary room will be situated to the south of the swimming pool.