LAZENBY HALL

Specifications for this building are in 169A - Shelf 91.

June 29, 1940 (054-50-7)
Institution  The Ohio State University
Name of Bldg.  Horticulture Bldg.
Year erected  1914
Contractor  B. (I. M. ) Smith & Sons
Cost  $183,194.76

Construction:
  Fireproof?  Yes
  Walls  Brick
  Floors  Concrete with t or o s, f i n i s h e d and comp. f o r m i n g
  Roof  Steel frame, wood sheathing and tile covering
  Basement  Concrete ceiling, concrete floor, plastered

Use


Comments


Remodeling, Repairs and Fixed Equipment
Constructed in 1914, this building was known for many years as the Horticulture & Forestry or H & F building. In 1970, it was named William Rane Lazenby Hall. It cost $183,292 to build. The renovations in 1986 and 87 cost $5 million. Several divisions of the Psychology Department are now located in this building.

The above photo and information were used for a bulletin board display in the Main Library, Spring Quarter, 1995.
University Will Build Horticultural Center

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By KEN HAMMOND

Ohio State is to get a new $3.5 million Horticulture, Forestry and Food Technology Center. Governor James Rhodes announced Saturday.

The State Controlling Board will be asked at this week's meeting to release $37,000 for preliminary planning of the center, the Governor said.

Funds for the center will come from the $5 million appropriation granted to Ohio State for research facilities. It is expected to be completed by winter of 1968.

Food Technology Expanding

The building, which will be located on campus west of the Olentangy River, will be one of the largest and finest of its kind in the world, Rhodes said.

"We have needed a new building for some time," said Associate Dean Richard H. Bohning of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics. "Expanding interest in food technology has increased this need."

It was estimated that the center would enable the university to double its number of students in horticulture and food technology.

Bohning said that about 1958 preliminary plans for a new building were started. About a month ago plans for a center were definitely decided upon, he said.

To Serve Dual Purpose

The present Horticulture and Forestry building on Neil Avenue is 62 years old. Rhodes called it an overcrowded and obsolete building.

Dr. Jean R. Geisman, associate professor of horticulture, called the new center a "dual purpose facility."

"We want to use the center for postgraduate research, and for both graduate and undergraduate instruction," he said. "We have asked for enough space for three large classrooms, and additional space to be used for laboratories."

Geisman also commented on the inadequacy of the present Horticulture and Forestry building.

"Our big problem is space," he said.

"and most of our facilities are old. Also student enrollment in this area has greatly increased."

Rhodes said the new center would develop better methods of growing and handling fruits and vegetables. He said techniques discovered at the center could expand Ohio's entire food processing industry.

The governor said the center will help the horticulture industry to raise its cash income by $66 million by 1971.

"Our gross farm income in 1965 was $1.1 billion," Rhodes said. "Food processing plants alone add $1.3 billion to the value of their products and have a $680 million annual payroll.

"Ohio's horticulture industry produces $130 million of wealth a year."
Lazenby renovated for psychology

By JAMES D. TOUVELL
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Renovations to Lazenby Hall, costing about $5 million, will provide the Department of Psychology with updated facilities by the fall of 1988, said department chairperson James Naylor.

"We'll end up with facilities for the department that are competitive with virtually any psychology department in the country," Naylor said.

He said the current psychology facilities located on the east side of Ohio Stadium, which were added in the 1960's, are outdated. Half of the department has already moved from the stadium to Townshend Hall, which was renovated two years ago.

The other half of the department is awaiting the completion of Lazenby Hall's renovations, which were started in June.

John Probasco, Campus Planner coordinator, said the majority of the funds came from state allocations, and $20,000 was provided by the university.

He said plans for allocating the space left by the psychology department in the stadium will be decided in about four months.

Naylor said the renovations to Lazenby Hall will provide the department with additional lecture space, research laboratories for faculty and offices for graduate students.

"It permits us to recruit good graduate students in to our programs and excellent faculty," Naylor said.

"It's always an advantage when you're trying to recruit faculty to the university to be able to show them the kind of facilities provided."

Jae Kauh, who is heading the construction for the University Architect's Office, said Lazenby Hall is being completely gutted.

The project also involves sandblasting the front entrance way, reinforcing the brick exterior with mortar and constructing an addition to the building on the north end for a new stairway and elevator system.

Kauh said Lazenby Hall, built in the 1930's, also does not provide adequate ventilation.