

# Construction Begins On Beecher Science Bldg.

Work began last week on the University's \$1,608,900 science building extension.

The newest building in the \$20,000,000 expansion program will be named in honor of Ward Beecher, retired vice president and former director of Commercial Shearing and Stamping Co.

A substantial sum donated by Mr. Beecher, coupled with a grant from the government, enabled building the science wing at this time.

The four-story building will encompass 65,000 square feet and will be joined to the south end of the present science building. It will run south along Bryson St., and turn east along Lincoln Ave. to form an "L".

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Constructed of a pink-buff brick, the new facility will house a research laboratory and other laboratories, classrooms and offices for chemistry, biology, physics, geography, geology and astronomy. It will also include two large lecture rooms and a small planetarium.

Joseph Bucheit and Sons Co. is general contractor and Hana-han and Strollo are architects.