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A mild building boom on the University of Kansas campus was launched nearly a year ago, when with the able assistance of Col. Karl Baldwin, commandant of the R. O. T. C. unit, a federal WPA grant of approximately \$80,000 was secured to begin construction on a new military science building. The University was required to put up \$25,000 in cash, as well as building materials, as its share of the project. The \$25,000 was soon provided through the offices of the Endowment Association, the campaign deing directed by Lt. Lyle O. Armel, assistant secretary of the Association, now somewhere in the Pacific.

Largest private contributions to the project were from Mrs. Paul Dinsmore, and O. Jolliffe, Peabody, Kansas, banker and cattleman. Incidentally, Mr. Jolliffer has also contributed \$50,000 in cash to be used in constructing another scholarship dommitory at the University, to be named Jolliffe Hall. Construction was to have been completed by next fall, byt difficulty in obtaining priorities and rocketing costs of building materials have postponed construction indefinitely.

In addition to the \$25,000 in cash, the University provided most of the building materials. The stone was provided from the demolition of old Snow Hall several years ago. When construction is completed this next summer, the University will have one of the finest R. O. T. C. buildings in the nation.

Under construction also is the new ### new \$400,000 mineral industries building, appropriated for the University at the last lesgilative session. #### In addition to providing quarters and laboratory space for many *** is scientific departments of the University, it will also be used largely as research headquarters for the exploitation of Kansas' natural reacurces. The building project was given great impetus by the Kansas Industrial Development Commission. When completed it will be one of the finest college buildings on any campus in the middle west.

Also in process of erection is an engineering research laboratory, strictly for engineering research, and to house the studios of
KEKU, University radio station. Unique in the nation is the new engineering laboratory which is being built of stabilized earth building
blocks. The formula for the blocks is the work of Prof. W. C. McNown.