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from Byron J. Brophy, President

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**BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING.** The second annual meeting of the Ferris Institute Board of Control was held in the Alumni Building Saturday. There were present: Col. Roy C. Vandercook, Mr. Charles E. Fairman, Mrs. Bess E. Fishman, Mr. Eugene A. Ward, Mr. Lawrence W. Prakken, and Judge William J. Miller. Col. Vandercook acted as Chairman in the absence of Judge Raymond W. Starr.

Present officers of the Board were re-elected for the coming year: Judge Raymond W. Starr, Chairman; Col. Roy C. Vandercook, Vice-chairman; Mr. Charles E. Fairman, Secretary; Mrs. Bess E. Fishman, Treasurer. The Annual Report of the President was presented, discussed, and approved. The Board considered proposed names for the new buildings and decided on dates and plans for dedication ceremonies. The Board also approved the report of the faculty Committee on Scholarships.

**BUILDING PROGRESS.** Both buildings are progressing very nicely. Mr. Roger Allen, Architect, is well satisfied, says: "A nice brick and block job." Fourteen masons are on the job. Glass blocks are now being installed. Steel roof decks are expected soon. Plumbers and electricians are up to schedule. About 80 feet was added to the pipe tunnel during the week. At the West Building cement is being poured this week in the first-floor column forms.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES.** Last Tuesday a large gathering of students, faculty, and their families enjoyed a picnic on the campus, followed by games and a movie in the gym. A group of our students made an educational tour last Thursday through one of the local dairies. On Friday we were happy to have Mr. Roger Allen, Architect and humorist, address our students on the topic "The Future of People" in his inimitable style.

**FACULTY ACTIVITIES.** Dr. Karlis Kazerovskis visited Upjohn Company's Pharmacology Laboratory, Kalamazoo, to study techniques and laboratory set-up. Dean Allen Puterbaugh was in Ann Arbor Friday at the Classroom Conference sponsored by the University of Michigan. Dean of Men Donald Rankin reports that the work on the job survey has been completed, with the help of Mr. Robert Sherman and Mr. Nicholas Sabia, of our staff. Many part-time jobs have lined up for our students for the next academic year. The President's Annual Report to the Board of Control was printed in our Print Shop through the cooperation of our two printing teachers Mr. Kenneth Ross and Mr. William Vaxter.