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from Byron J. Brophy, President

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BUILDING PROGRESS. Monthly Progress Meeting was held at the site at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 18. Those present were: For the Institution, President Brophy, Mr. Pattullo, and Mr. DeMoss; for the Building Division, Mr. J. Wangeman, and Mr. Arthur Becker, the project Superintendent; for the Muskegon Construction Company, Mr. Smith and Mr. Mastenbrook; for the Distel Heating Company, Mr. Holgate; and for the Electric Construction & Machinery Company, Mr. Brabon and Mr. Knight; and for the Architect, Mr. Roger Allen.

Mr. Allen reported that the color scheme for all rooms in the East Wing has been determined. Mr. Ernest King, from the architect's office, conferred with Mr. Pattullo Friday to discuss the preparation of similar color schemes for the West wing.

Work on General Construction is proceeding rapidly and all mechanical contractors are keeping up with the construction. All structural steel roof framing for the one-story sections will be in place by the middle of this week and will be ready to receive steel roof deck. Mr. Smith has received word from the Detroit Steel Products Company (sub-contractors for the steel deck) that this material will be shipped sometime between July 30th and August 10th.

The final pouring of cement slab in the classroom building was completed last week. The stone window sills have been received and installation has started. The aluminum window frames are now being installed and are ready for the laying of the glass blocks. Several of the room walls have been started by the masons. All lower stairways have been bricked in.

VISITORS. Campus visitors last week, in addition to those listed above, included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Al Cluts of the State's Salary Payroll Division; Mr. Elwood Brake, Superintendent of Schools of Ionia County; Dr. Louis Swanson (B.S. Commerce 1947) teacher-training director, Chattanooga, Tennessee, first Ferris degree graduate to earn a doctor's degree (University of Tennessee); Mr. Archie Cameron (B.S. Commerce 1941), Comptroller, Washington, D.C. area of Greyhound Bus Lines.