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The Bud Begins to Flower

Buildings Rising On West Campus

It is not quite ten years since the Ohio General Assembly passed legislation to create a Medical College in northwestern Ohio. The charter class entered in 1969 and received their M.D. degrees in 1972.

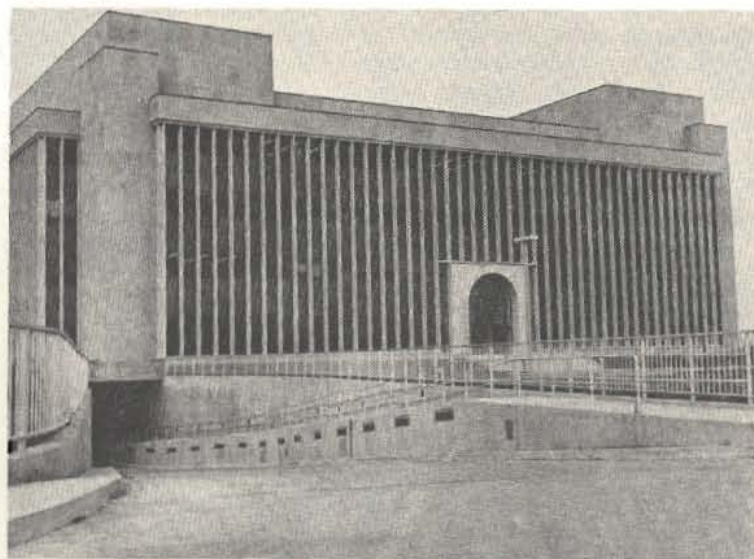
During all that time College activities, classrooms, library, research laboratories and offices were crowded into borrowed space at William Roche, Maumee Valley and Toledo hospitals and at the University of Toledo.

But now the physical signs of MCO's growth are clearly evident.

Three buildings totalling some \$34-million are in different stages of construction. One of the three is occupied. Classes are meeting there. New laboratories are being equipped and placed into operation.

The fresh smell of paint and plaster still dominates the familiar odors of medicinal compounds and preservatives typical of an established medical school.

These three buildings will shortly give MCO the physical identity to match its organizational status as an independent, state-assisted College within Ohio's system of higher education.



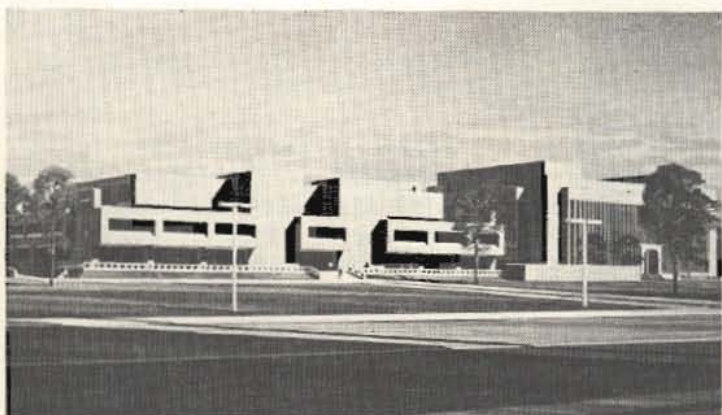
HEALTH SCIENCES BUILDING
Completed and dedicated in Fall of 1973, this is the first building on the new West Campus.

First to rise above the 346-acre tract of farmland on the new campus was the \$12-million Health Sciences building. It opened in September 1973 just in time to accommodate 64 entering freshmen (twice the size of the charter class).

This totally fresh-air conditioned building houses the departments of Anatomy, Biochemistry, Pharmacology and Physiology with their associated laboratories, seminar rooms and offices. The first floor contains two lecture rooms, with 120 seats each, and a student lounge.

A short distance to the north is the steel and concrete outline of the combined Library-Administration Building, a \$7.4-million project scheduled for completion within the year.

Its striking design tends to conceal the fact that it will serve three different functions. The two-story structure at one end will house the Student-Faculty Center, including cafeteria, lounges and meeting areas. At the opposite end of the building will be the administrative offices for the College and the Library. The long rectangular



ARCHITECT'S RENDERING of Health Education building shows its proximity to the now-complete Health Sciences building, right, but gives little hint of its size.

lar structure capping the entire building will contain the main library stacks, carrels, reference works and study rooms.

And to the west, at this writing, is a gaping hole where workmen are pouring the footings for the \$14½-million Health Education Building. This will house teaching and support services critically needed to permit MCO to reach its goal of 150 entering freshmen in the fall of 1980.

The Health Education building will be the largest of the College's first three buildings. It will contain two 250-seat lecture rooms, two 100-seat seminar rooms, and eight multi-purpose conference-laboratory facilities. The Animal Research Facility and the first portion of the future Cancer Center will occupy space in the basement.

Curtailed of federal funds caused a drastic change in the planned financing of these buildings. In the mid-1960's it was predicted that each State and private gift dollar would be matched, on no less than a one-to-one basis, by federal money.

But before the blueprints were complete, the federal program was cut back; the burden of financial aid fell upon the State of Ohio. State funds account for all but \$4.9-million of the \$34-million being spent on the buildings shown here. The lone federal grant was awarded in partial support of the Health Education building.

Still in the offing is an adequate clinical facility to replace the existing Medical College Hospital. Plans, programs and requirements for this are now being formulated. Shortly, following appropriate approvals, architects will start on the initial designs for this fourth building to be erected close to the other three.



WORK PROGRESSES ON HEALTH EDUCATION BUILDING

Giant truck is dwarfed in huge excavation which could accommodate two football fields.



ROLLS OF REINFORCING WIRE await installation in the Library-Administration building. Rectangular structure on extreme left will be part of the completed building as shown in the rendering.



Busiest Man On Campus

When the MCO Board of Trustees elected Dr. Marion C. Anderson president of the college October 16, 1972, they presented him with a position of honor, prestige, distinction . . . and back-breaking demands.

During his first year, Dr. Anderson rose to meet those demands. He grappled with hard budgetary decisions, helped recruit distinguished doctors and scientists for the faculty, worked strenuously with accreditation teams, and beat a path between Toledo and Columbus for meetings with legislators, regents and other state officials.

But most of all he provided MCO with the leadership and spirit of teamwork it needed to plunge ahead on all fronts.

Following the 1971 resignation of Dr. Glidden L. Brooks, the college weathered a difficult year without any one person at the helm. The deans and vice presidents handled those matters that fell within their respective domains. And the MCO Board of Trustees, often at considerable personal sacrifice, pitched in to get done all the other things that needed doing.

Rarely if ever in the histories of Ohio's state colleges have Trustees, individually and collectively, been so actively involved with the day-to-day affairs of the institution as were the MCO board members during this period.

Dr. Anderson brought a formidable professional background to the presidency. He holds an M.D. degree from Northwestern University. Before joining MCO he was associate professor of surgery at Northwestern and had gained an international reputation in the field of pancreatic and abdominal surgery.

But what impressed the 8-man presidential search committee was Dr. Anderson's accomplishments since he came to MCO in 1969 as professor and chairman of the department of surgery.

In nominating him for the presidency, Trustee Thurman W. Bretz, chairman of the search committee, called attention to Dr. Anderson's "acceptance of extraordinary responsibility and great capacity for leadership."

"He has served tirelessly in the formation of the surgery department, the furtherance of the school as a whole, and on behalf of medical programs throughout Northwestern Ohio," said Bretz.

Today, slightly more than one year after accepting the "extraordinary responsibility" as president,

Dr. Anderson has guided MCO through a vital period of growth:

- Both the college and hospital have been accredited by their respective professional organizations;

- Four outstanding department chairmen have been recruited to advance the teaching program: Dr. Kempf in psychiatry, Dr. Walters in obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. Rodriguez-Torres in pediatrics, and Dr. Blakemore in surgery.

- To cope with the growing need to educate Ph.D. candidates in the biological sciences, MCO created coordinated programs with the University of Toledo

and Bowling Green State University. Dr. DiDio, chairman of the anatomy department, was given additional duties as Dean of Graduate Studies to serve as MCO's representative in building these programs;

- Under Dean Kelly and Dean Brown, rapid expansion has taken place in nursing and allied health programs in cooperation with 2-and 4-year colleges throughout the region.

With the acute need for state support to create a viable institution, Dr. Anderson and his key assistants have traveled regularly to Columbus to define MCO's needs. Signs that this job, too, has been well done are

shown in the excellent support received from state offices, agencies and boards, including Governor Gilligan himself.

All these activities have been intermingled with such presidential functions as ground-breaking for the Medical Library on one of the coldest days of last winter, and ground-breaking for the Health Education Building on one of the hottest and wettest days of last summer.

There was his role in the second graduation ceremonies . . . and in welcoming the 64 members of the largest class yet to enter MCO.

He continues to have a close interest in building emergency medical care programs for Northwestern Ohio, and in strengthening MCO's working relationships with hospitals and health agencies in the region. And he has stimulated the MCOT Foundation and Development Council in seeking private financial support for all those college functions which are not supported by the state.

The "leadership and tireless energy" which the search committee noted a year ago last October is now having a tangible impact on the betterment of health care for everyone in Northwest Ohio.



CAPSULES:

Largest private gift to MCO to date came from the C.O. Miniger Memorial Foundation: \$500,000 to obtain a linear accelerator for the department of radiology. Gift will provide the core of a **major Cancer Center** on the new West Campus.

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Owens-Illinois, Inc. established a \$300,000 memorial gift to honor Raymon H. Mulford (1909-1973), chairman of the O-I Board of Directors and a finance trustee of the MCOT Foundation from 1968 to 1971. Pending the outcome of state and local negotiations, the Foundation will use the gift towards the purchase of some 40 acres of land near the West Campus.

Dr. Frank F. A. Rawling, Foundation president, said feasibility studies are being made to use the land to generate continuing income for the Medical College . . . **"a distinctive opportunity for a philanthropic gift to keep working across the years to advance health care and education."**

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With some 26,000 bound volumes and more than 1,800 different periodicals, the MCO Library has already become the largest resource for medical information in northwestern Ohio. In addition to regular use by medical, nursing and allied health students, the Library is attracting increasing numbers of medical practitioners. Computerized bibliographic services enable the Library to provide rapid search-and-retrieval aid to clinicians, hospitals, researchers, and teachers.

Close ties have been established with the libraries at Bowling Green State University and the University of Toledo. Students and faculty from these schools have reciprocal library privileges.

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Basic mission of the Medical College has been stated in these terms: "To improve medical care and health care delivery through the establishment of programs for education of physicians, doctoral candidates in medical services, nurses, allied health and administration, and through the development and conduct of operating models for primary, secondary and tertiary care."

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To keep abreast of health education, you should know that a **Medical College does more than teach medical students**. At MCO there are five additional teaching programs: Graduate Medical (or "Residency") training; Nursing; Allied Health Sciences; Graduate Doctoral (Ph.D.) in Medical Science (in planning stage) and Continuing Education for practicing physicians.

Projections of enrollments for 1980 show 450 students in the undergraduate medical course; 200 each in Residencies, Nursing and Allied Health; and 75 in the Ph.D. program, **for a total enrollment of 1,125**.

No prediction has yet been made for the number of practitioners who will be participating in the various short courses, seminars and refresher programs included under "Continuing Education."

The College also performs research to advance medical knowledge and provides a wide variety of services for patients.

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