

The work of the University of Maryland is so closely interwoven with that of the Maryland State Board of Agriculture that it is virtually one and the same. In the organization of the University and the State Board of Agriculture, this achievement evidently was intended, and it now seems finally to have been brought into actual effect, so that the farm and agricultural interests of the State are receiving the benefits originally designated for them. This coordination has been fully effected during the past two years.

The growth of the physical plant of the University in the last two years has been very noteworthy. During this period, new classrooms, new laboratories, new office space have been provided for virtually all departments, and in every particular, the University has the facilities for giving better service to the people of the State and for providing higher quality of teaching.

In the last two years the total additions to old buildings, and new buildings constructed, number seventeen. Three of these new buildings have been constructed at Princess Anne for the special benefit of Negro education in Mechanical Arts, Home Economics and Agriculture.

In Baltimore, new floors have been added to the University Hospital, a new building for medical research has been constructed, and additions to the Nurses' Home and Dental Building have been completed.

At College Park, an addition to the old Engineering Building has been constructed and this building now is being used as an Arts and Science Building, Engineering having been transferred to the old Arts and Science Building.

An Administration Building, an addition to the Dining Hall, an addition to the Infirmary, new Men's Dormitories, remodelling of the Dairy Building, a new Home Economics Building, a new Poultry Building and Poultry Plant, and a new building to house the Plant Maintenance departments have been erected.

Specially noteworthy from an agricultural point of view has been the completion of one of the most modern livestock plants in the Country at College Park, and it is further noteworthy to agriculture that there is now being erected a series of new barns on the field crops and horticultural farm.

The educational advancement of the University has kept pace with the advancement in physical facilities. Evidence of this is contained in the fact that the University courses in Engineering have been accredited by the national Engineering organization for such accrediting, and also the College of Commerce has been accredited as a member of the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business, and has also become a member of the American Conference of State University Schools of Business. The University of Maryland College of Commerce is the only institution of this kind now accredited in this region.

Of particular note, also, has been the further coordination and development of library facilities of the University, which have been, and always will be, the backbone of any educational organization.

The University cooperates with industry in carrying on research for its benefit, and an increasing number of grants from industries to the University are being received. This research in the last two years has ranged from tests on explosives for the Federal Government to research in the production of oils; from attempts to find methods to control diseases of animals to the discovery of a new type of anesthesia.